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Reporting Today**

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the World**
La Mirada Kiwanis Club,
La Mirada, CA

Kiwanis-What's it all About

Dr. Ed Norman assumed the role of speaker this morning. He was well equipped with information about the true meaning and purpose of KIWANIS, having been a member for so many years and having served a Lt. Governor in the past. He knows what can and must be done to serve as a true Kiwanian and applauded all those faithful club, Division and International members who work so hard to fulfill the mission.

Dr. Ed believes that the heart of the organization is the club itself. That's where the action begins - that is where it ends. Kiwanis exists for the purposes of the club. The club IS the structure. There is not functioning without the club. The best that is in Kiwanis is giving, sharing, and mental and physical energy. The President leads - the members carry out.

Dr. Ed cautioned that we need more people to share the food in Wednesday morning breakfasts to do the jobs we need to do. Whereas here lays the heart of the organizations the jump to International must be considered. There the public relations and communication with the world are carried on.

The International Governor acts like the President of the US in that his schedule permits his moving in those same circles to promote the functions of Kiwanis. Then comes the Governors of single or multiple states who pass on the word. Then comes the Lt. Governor, such as our own Debbie Scheibel will be shortly. Through the Lt. Governor the various clubs connect together, inform state Governor and then to the International.

The Lt. Governor is the liaison who visits ALL clubs to assess their health and vitality. Next year, Debbie will be the challenger, the resource provider, the evaluator to see that programs from above are being followed. In her tenure of one year, she will give Steve Forster, our own President 'anything he needs'. Help is on its way! Steve will be in good hands!

During the period of questioning, Jerry Roodzant asked Dr. Ed what sort of financial support for her activities should we expect. Debbie will have two District Conventions (North and South), annual meetings, club visits, and other contact appointments necessary to perform the job to the best of her ability. Currently there are 10 viable clubs under Debbie's domain.

Dr. Ed believed that certain budgets are provided by District and State, but whether that provides enough to be adequate, he did not know. Debbie will study her commitments and evaluate possible costs. Jerry and Steve Forster will study the subject, assess the needs, and prepare a budget that will provide support where needed. The Board will consider the recommendations. Art Leslie agreed that a study is necessary considering all the activities the Lt. Governor is expected to do.

We Remember

LEE BROWN

Died

Sept 16, 2000

Grins and Grimaces-Sept. 8

PRESIDENT JERRY ROODZANT double-rang the meeting to order this morning. Small group, but audible! The Pledge to the Flag was led by GENE GLEASON, the song by PAT and MIKE and the Invocation by DR. ED NORMAN. ART LESLIE was called upon once again to collect Happy Sad bucks because, this scribe will attest, he is so good at it. RICH TRUJILLO was immediately tagged for a late buck. Rich added that his recent vacation was a real treat. TONY ARMAS contributed for being a 'happy camper'.

MIKE WINTER extolled the virtues of CHRIS STAPLES for his expertise and speed in repairing his computers which were having difficulty communicating with each other for some time. Even Verizon's repair sources were unable to do so after hours of trying. Yea, Chris! TOM THORNTON gave for missing a meeting last week and next week. GERALD PEEBLER was the first, but certainly not the last, to bring up the name of long time beloved member JIM Mc GIRR who passed away recently. The pain of that loss is universal among our members who had the privilege of sharing Kiwanis life with Jim.

EMMANUEL HERNANDEZ gave for not being late and extolled the joy of delivering meals for MEALS ON WHEELS on the holiday. He reflected that he wasn't sure whether the folks who received the meals were thankful primarily for the food, or for the pleasure of the visit with the deliverer! Thanks, Emmanuel! DR. ED NORMAN added his thanks for Emmanuel's volunteering. STEVE FORSTER added praise for Jim McGirr and for the fact that Forster family had a great trip to Ohio and Michigan where he had the opportunity of shooting a porcupine during the season. Oh, great hunter!

ART LESLIE described his back yard as being rife with 12 fruit trees, 2 citrus trees, and avocado and walnut trees. The only problem seemed to be that the darn squirrels got to the produce before the family could enjoy. Art also took time to challenge the members present to call, beg and drag those absent members on our roster to get to the Wednesday morning breakfasts! Being a Kiwanian means being there! JERRY ROODZANT was sorry to have missed Jim McGirr's funeral service. He received in the mail Jim's dues sent by Cindy McGirr! Jerry was sad at UCLA's loss, happy for his vacation days in Seattle, and for Janice's birthday!

Installations Club Installation

The Club Installation will be held on September 23rd at Biola University. It has been decided that the cost of the meal will be \$20. Dr. Ed will continue to solicit attendees from the members along with their choice on the menu.

Division 30

The Division will install new officers at a luncheon on September 26 at the La Mirada Holiday Inn. Our own DEBBIE SCHEIBEL will be installed as the Lt. Governor. The cost of the brunch will be \$25.00

Knabe Katch

The annual Knabe Katch is scheduled for 18th of September. We will start serving pancakes at 7:00 AM.

Rose Parade Float

On December 26th we are asked to join other Division 30 Clubs to go to Pasadena and help feed the Key Clubbers who will be working on the floats.

If you want to make a donation toward the building of the float, send it to Kiwanis Rosefloat of Pasadena Club, c/o Dave Wallach, 16085 Sigman Street, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

You can also email pag.dsw@worldnet.att.net

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