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News of the Club and the Community it Serves

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**Preserving Yesterday,
Reporting Today**

**Kiwanis
La Mirada**

**Serving the Children of
the World
La Mirada Kiwanis Club,
La Mirada, CA**

Andrew Sarega, City Council Contender

Our speaker of the morning was Andrew Sarega, who is running for one of the City Council openings. He was introduced by PAT ROJAS who noted that Andrew is a member of the Newport Beach Police Department. Andrew said that it was an honor to be here and that it was a big step to be running for elected office at the age of 23.

He noted that it was because of a series of events that led him to the decision. He grew up in La Mirada, played soccer here, went Escalona School, Benton Middle School and graduated from La Mirada High with highest honors. He attended Biola for a year and a half.

He went to Europe and played professional soccer. He remembered being on his own and landing alone in Europe at the age of 13. There he saw many countries during his soccer career.

He joined the Newport Beach Police Department where he is now an officer.

Why is he running for office?

He believes the business community needs help to grow. He sees a lack of communications between business and the City. He cited as an example his father opening up a warehouse and taking many months to get the proper permitting which at the rate of \$8000 a month cost him \$80,000. He has been knocking on doors and hears from many that they had the same problem.

He believes the Police Department has become a source of revenue for the City. He would implement a warning system. If you were pulled over, you would get a "warning" rather than a ticket.

He believes that the unanimous voting that goes on at council meetings does not reflect the will of the people. He noted at the last meeting there was a vote to increase the City Managers salary by \$600 a month. He questions the raise when the City Manager is making \$190,000 a year. In times when many are taking pay cuts and there are jobs being lost in La Mirada, this hurts. He noted that the city he works for, Newport Beach, is operating in the black.

There are other projects that he doesn't agree with such as "Splash." He doesn't want to be just another ye vote to make it unanimous.

He questions the contact between the City Council and the residents. How many of them have come by and asked what they can do for you today? He encourages the rebuilding of the sports for youth in the City.

Answering some questions he said he had no interaction with the School Board yet. He was also asked by ART LESLIE, himself once a City Councilman, how can the City generate new revenue. Andrew suggested bringing in new businesses and development. We need to be proactive.

He was asked by LOU PILTZ, another longtime City Councilman, if Andrew had any experience in city organizations. Andrew answered in the affirmative by citing his experience with the "Sea Horse" Soccer Club. He repeated his desire to help the younger citizens. He mentioned his involvement in the Armenian Baptist group where his father is a minister.

We thank Andrew and his father for taking time out to be with us this morning.

City Election is on March 8

Grins and Grimaces-Feb. 16

President Steve called the meeting to order and asked RON KNIGHT to lead us in the Pledge. PAT ROJAS gave the Invocation. Dr. MIKE WINTER led us in "God Bless America."

When the Happy/Sad Bucks bell was tolled, RICH TRUJILLO was there to collect the toll. He started with MARK PERUMEAN who offered an enigma that had to do with something that made the wife glad and him sad. PETER CHOW was happy to have Monday off. TONY ARMAS was happy to be here.

ART LESLIE was sad that he missed the speaker at the Friends of the La Mirada Library event last Saturday. GERALD PEEBLER gave one for being at the event and getting the dose of "You need to write." He added one for the 1/4" of rain that fell and another for still being able to attend the meetings. RON KNIGHT gave a "Not so happy" buck as the rain is delaying a project of the company. REED TAYLOR gave a comment on the veracity of politicians. LOU PILTZ commented that Saturday's speech went well. (How well it went will be determined by Lou getting going on his book writing.)

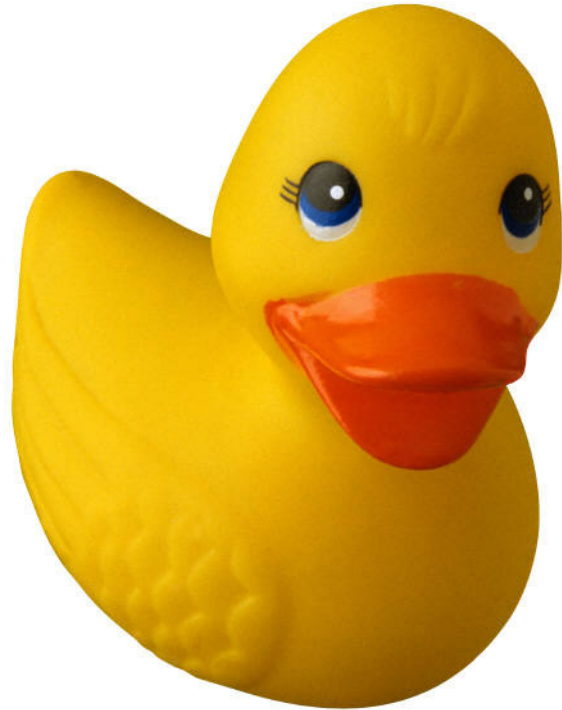
BILL DAWSON gave for his anniversary, all 38 years of it. Dr. JERRY ROODZANT gave for missing last week. He was ready to come but was called back for a house project. He gave for UCLA and a winning streak and for baseball starting. PAT ROJAS gave for his son making some good buying decisions in a house purchase. He added one for the joy that 9Lbs., 6 Oz. can bring to you.

Andrew Sarega gave, happy to be here. Pastor JACK MIRANDA gave to remind us of the discount for Relay For Life at the local restaurants. In particular he was touting the El Taco Mexicano. He is encouraging a couple's get-together on Saturday, February 19th, the last day of the donation. (Other restaurants continue.) He, too added for baseball coming.

Dr. MIKE WINTER gave for the coverage of the story of his trip. AMY SCHEIBEL gave for those not here. RICH TRUJILLO gave for Mark's Dilemma. (That's MARK PERUMEAN). STEVE FORSTER gave for NASCAR and for the good Club.

Canned Food Drive

Don't forget the continuing canned food drive by the club to help those the Dulles K-Kids and La Mirada Key Club are and will be doing. The food drives will benefit Good Sam Pantry at Beatitudes and possibly "Giving Children Hope" in Buena Park. Make it a part of your weekly meeting.



Duck Race

The Duck Race is exactly two months away. Now is the time to make it a success. Sponsors are needed. Sellers are needed. The count down has begun. It will be a success on April 23 because of what is done now. Ask Debbie where she needs help.

Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation

The Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation is selling tickets for a drawing to be held in the summertime.

The proceeds from this will help the foundation in its work to support children in the District.

Get your tickets from DEBBIE SCHEIBEL. They are \$10 each or three for \$25. There are prizes galore.

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The Objects of Kiwanis International

To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life
 To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
 To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
 To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
 To provide through Kiwanis Clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
 To co-operate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

The La Mirada Kiwanis Club is the home club of the following Past Lt. Governors : Dr. ED NORMAN, CARY MAYER and HARLAN COMEE and at one time was the home club of: HAL BENVENISTE, IRWIN KAISER, FRANK MCCOY, and GEORGE HARRISON, all Past Lt. Governors of Div. 30. It is the home club of Lt. Gov. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL

Kiwanis La Mirada

Legend:

Board Meeting



Today's Date



Evening Meeting



February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Announcements

March 10-Bingo at Imperial Convalescent Hospital

March 17-Bingo at Mirada Hills Convalescent Hospital

Visitor: John Sarega, Andrew Sarega

Birthdays: Feb. 9-Pastor JACK MIRANDA, Feb 13-GEORGE OROZCO (He's 21)

Anniversaries: Feb 17-BILL DAWSON

The 50/50 Winner: MARK ROYSTON and donated to the Scholarship Fund

The Process of Elimination: This week the club collected \$11.03 for the Eliminate project -- that is a 18 shots -- saved 6 more babies and/or mothers.

Calendar-Regular Meetings

Every Wednesday Morning

7:15 AM Gateway Holiday Inn

Monthly Evening Meeting-First Thursday

Volunteer Center Suite 4 (11900 La Mirada Blvd.)

7:00 PM