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**Preserving Yesterday,
Reporting Today**

**Kiwanis
La Mirada**

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

Paul Brown, Candidate for City Council

Our speaker of the morning was Paul Brown who is running for City Council. He is a graduate of Pepperdine Law School and has a four year old daughter that was born after 48 hours of labor. He is a husband, father, La Mirada resident who can offer some special skills to the City.

He is well aware of the State budget problems and that it will have a severe impact on the City.

Paul was born at Whittier Presbyterian Hospital when his parents lived in La Mirada. The family moved to Irvine and he grew up there. He went to Long Beach State and then on to Pepperdine. He passed his bar exam on the first attempt.

He worked for the City of Santa Ana in its Civil Rights Department. He started his own law practice but returned to civic work after the effect of working 17-18 hours a day. He moved to Sacramento and began work for the State. He was able to move back to Southern California to assist his father who had suffered a stroke. When he moved he thought of La Mirada and moved into a house that was built in 1953.

He believes that sitting on the sidelines is not the place to be. He is a state's attorney working out of Los Angeles. Covering Los Angeles and Ventura County. He noted that there are over 500 courtrooms in Los Angeles County. He has been in the Los Angeles system some 11-12 years. And has been involved with many of the high impact cases as he defends the State in cases involving class actions suits. He was able to defeat one class action suit brought by 1600 individuals.

His value as a Council Member would include his understanding of the State Bureau laws. This involves the hiring of employees. He would be an advocate on behalf of the City in contacts with the state agencies. His goal would be to not have an agenda and that would continue the council goal at present. He would strive for a competent staff. The City has good services and he would want to continue that.

He was asked how he rated our chances of coming out of this crisis. He considers the chances good. He thinks the Governor is making progress. He believes that raising taxes is not good for the individual. He thinks the destroying of the redevelopment process would be bad. He believes that some money could be moved into the capital improvement fund would make it available to ease some of the blights in the City.

He was asked how he would have sufficient time to devote to the City Council. He said that he had a lot of time built up at work that would allow him ample time to serve the City.

He is a fiscal conservative and would continue that practice as a Council person.

Paul's email address is paulbrown4citycouncil@yahoo.com

We Remember

BOB STONE

Died

March 13, 2001

Grins and Grimaces-March 2

REED TAYLOR was called upon to lead us in the Pledge. Dr. ED NORMAN gave the Invocation. PAT RUIZ and Dr. MIKE WINTER led us in *America the Beautiful*.

When it came time to pass the collection basket, Pastor JACK MIRANDA was asked to handle it. He told a story of a family who buried a very young son and this week the mother gave birth to a new baby. Dr. ED NORMAN gave for all the work being done by Kiwanians. TED CEAUSU gave for his daughter now being six months old.

PAT RUIZ gave to tell of the addition of a Blue Grass band to the La Mirada Symphony schedule. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave for her sister Amy's birthday and for everyone to work on the Duck Race. GENE GLEASON gave the dollar he had left over from his trip to Vegas. PAUL ALDERETE gave because he didn't know Gene was gone.

Dr. JERRY ROODZANT gave for a dose of medicine. LOU PILTZ gave for the great Club and for someone very close to him being pregnant. GERALD PEEBLER gave a dollar that REED TAYLOR left plus for the rain and one for forgetting the canned goods this morning. Harriette Peebler gave for her and Gerald celebrating 70 years of marriage this month. PAT ROJAS gave for the successful conclusion with a battle of shingles.

RICH TRUJILLO gave for Harriette being with us this morning. PETER CHOW gave but the Scribe's ear phones weren't working at the moment. ART LESLIE gave to tell everyone he brought in some oranges. STEVE FORSTER gave for our guests and for the Irish and basketball.

Monthly Evening Meeting

(As Reported By DEBBIE SCHEIBEL)

Steve Forster opened the meeting at 7:05pm followed by Rich Powers leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance. All were welcomed. In attendance were Chris Staples, Debbie Scheibel, Steve Forster, Skip Ricarte, Jesse Urquidi, Ginger Shattuck, Kenny Taylor, Jr., Rich Powers and Adrienne Medrano. (Stephan Blunt showed up later in the evening.)

Rich Powers introduced his guest and potential new member, David Constantine. David is a neighbor of Rich's and does marketing for a software company. He has two girls at La Pluma Elementary School.

Steve Forster proceeded with the calendar of events for March and April.

The plans for our new club in Placentia were discussed with several gatherings in March in which our Fire Truck will be present. Chris will check to see if he is available to take the fire truck over. Members have been asked to make follow up phone calls to a list of potential members and invite them to the informational meetings. Debbie will send the list out with a copy of the letter and some talking points.

Bingo is being covered by Ken and Kenny Taylor the second Thursday of each month; Living Faith covers the third Thursday of the month. Will check with Bill Dawson to ensure both are being reimbursed on a regular basis.

April is a very busy month with Kiwanis One Day, Duck Race, 4 La Mirada Kids Carnival, Easter Pancake Breakfast, Key Club Convention and Relay for Life.

The project "Santa River Trail Cleanup" has been cancelled due to the lack of trash and the safety of the bicyclists and our own people. Looking for new ideas -- one is to do something for the military -- possibly sending packages overseas. More details to come.

Discussion ensued about the Duck Race tagging party, logistics, etc.

Adrienne shared that we will have a booth at the carnival to promote the duck race by having a duck game for the kids. A committee was formed to work on the booth and possibly doing a "duck fashion show" with the corporate size ducks.

Sign up sheet for the carnival was passed around. Debbie is going to email to Key Club President, Emma Ramirez, and Kenny to get Key Club involved.

During this same weekend, the Key Club district convention will be taking place in Anaheim. Debbie will be going between the convention and the carnival so she will be looking for someone to be in charge of the carnival for each day (handling the money, volunteers, etc).

ELIMINATE project was brought up and coinage collected was \$38.95. Also canned food was collected for our year long food drive.

Happy and Sad were collected by Rich Powers. Chris Staples gave for our potential new member and the duck race. Sad dollar from Skip Ricarte for not being able to do the clean up project. Happy dollars from Adrienne Medrano for her daughter's bone tumors coming back benign -- CAUSE TO CELEBRATE. Steve Forster gave for all the projects and work the club is doing, as well as being able to sit next to Ginger and give her a hard time.

Happy dollars from Ginger Shattuck as well as trying very hard not to be in charge. Kenny Taylor Jr. was glad to be back and would work closer with Key Club. Happy dollars from Debbie Scheibel for the clubs support of her efforts as LTG, and a special thank you to Adrienne for referring her to the Gardena Police Department (her husband is Chief of Police). Stephan Blunt paid his fine for being late and apprehensive dollar for his daughters mole on her head. Rich Powers gave for his guest and some sad dollars for the few meetings he missed.

Introductions of those present were made so David Constantine could meet everyone and know what everyone does for a living.

Stephan Blunt closed the meeting with the ringing of the bell at 8:00pm.

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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



Legend:

Board Meeting 
 Today's Date 
 Evening Meeting 

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	31		

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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
 April 23- Easter Egg Hunt Pancake Breakfast
 April 23-Duck Race

Visitor: Harriette Peebler

Birthdays: March 2-AMY SCHEIBEL, March 14-GENE GLEASON, March 14-RICH POWERS, March 16-PETER CHOW, March 20-STEVE FORSTER,

Anniversaries: March 1-RICH POWERS, March 14-Dr. MIKE WINTER, March 22-GERALD PEEBLER (70 Years), March 23-ALAN MORRISON

The 50/50 Winner: DEBBIE SCHEIBEL and donated to sister Amy

The Process of Elimination: Today we saved 8+ mothers/babies for the ELIMINATE project -- raised \$15.12

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