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**"A Record of Tomorrow's
Good Fortunes"**



**Serving the Children of the
World**

**La Mirada Kiwanis Club,
La Mirada, CA**

Investing

Our speaker of the morning was STEVEN BLUNT, a member of the Evening Club and a representative of Edward Jones. Steve came to talk to us about that game that occupies some of the time of many of our members, Investing. Steve is married, has three children and came from Australia.

He acknowledged that last year was a tough one. He used that as a preface to talk of the seven mistakes we make in evaluating our positions in the market. One should use a disciplined approach to avoid these mistakes.

The first is using short term results to determine long term goals. The Second is blaming the adviser for factors beyond his or her control. The third is the failure to consider the impact of the money they invest or extract from the account during the affected period. Then one should consider the effect of dividends on the investment strategy. There is the problem of looking at potholes you have already encountered in the road. Your periodic statement tells you how you have done in the past; it is not necessarily a guide to the future.

Having sufficient liquid funds to pay for occurring costs as a retiree, keeps one from having to move funds from the investment part of the portfolio. Make sure your bills are covered.

Having unrealistic expectations. While the stock market has enjoyed an average per annum growth of 10% since 1932, it is not a constant slope. Failing to take into account the risks involved with the actual investment one is making is the seventh mistake one makes. When the prices are high, the trend is to make riskier investments.

Steve talked about dividends, having noted earlier that the average length of holding a particular stock is 3.2 years. Some companies are increasing their dividends. He strongly suggested that we review the choices carefully as each one of us has different goals.

Steve can be reached at sdblunt@verizon.net. His business phone is 562 943 5787. We thank Steve for this look at an important part of our life.



Admission
\$2.00 donation / person

MADDI'S CLOSET

**Yer invited to the ol' Red Barn
for a real Rootin' Tootin'
Western Hoe-down**

**Friday, July 31, 2009
5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Whittier Area Community
Church Gymnasium
8175 Villa Verde Drive
Whittier, CA 90605**

Who Are We?

These clues can fit at least two Kiwanians.

I served in the Armed Forces. (How good were we?
Well, we won the war.)

I am married to a lady of Eastern Mediterranean Descent.

I volunteer with other organizations.

Who are we?

**We Remember
CARY MAYER
Died
July 25, 1995**

July 15 Dollars and Nonsense

The morning opened with the Pledge led by Dr. MIKE WINTER.. PAT RUIZ, sans Dr. Mike on the piano, led us in “America, the Beautiful.” LOU PILTZ was called upon to plead our cause before the Almighty.

When it came time to inter the dollars, GERALD PEEBLER was there leaning on his shovel. He gave a special happy one for Harriette celebrating her 88th birthday. He added one for Ted being dutifully employed this AM with a necessary part of the Olive Lawn process. He added another for no rain. Pastor JACK MIRANDA gave for the acquisition of “Sugar & Spice” by his church. (Now he knows what it is like to be a Capitalist.) He added one for the Chamber and for the Installation of officers coming up later on in the day. (He didn’t mention who the new President will be.)

Dr. MIKE WINTER gave for Jerry and for the guests.. He then confessed to a life of crime in his home town of Diamond Bar which had banned weapons of mass destruction, otherwise know as “Piccolo Petes.” These weapons were secreted from the more liberal town of La Mirada and were there for the citizens of Diamond Bar to gaze upon and maybe get hurt from clucking their tongues as they dialed the gendarmes.

RUFFO ESPINOSA gave for Tasos from “Mr. V’s” joining us this morning and for the opportunity to thank him for the very generous donation of Tri-Tips for the Third of July. He added one for the golfing experience he continues to have each Tuesday with the local pros. He was also glad that Ted’s work of the morning was not dedicated to him. PAT RUIZ echoed Ruffo and thanked Tasos for being here.. JIM MCGIRR gave for our guests and for the Club. STEVE FORSTER gave for the Stroll in the Park and the Club’s work (The Scribe saw Steve doing a lot of it.)

LA DONNA MUNIER gave for having the best granddaughter in the world. Dr. RICK BEE gave for Pastor Jack assuming the mantle of Chamber President and for himself getting off the Board. SHERRY BRAKEBILL received an I.O.U. from the State. Dr. JERRY ROODZANT gave for Tasos and for an upcoming trip to that Mecca of Fresno. He gave a sad dollar for Dr. Mike disgracing his profession. LOU PILTZ gave for various things. REED TAYLOR gave for his daughter’s trip to Sierra Leone and for her being back safely to her job at the Hague.

PETER CHOW gave for “Mr. V’s” and for the new Neptune Society’s twist of advertizing to bury you among the friendly reefs at a designated place. (Don’t get the Scribe going on the lost Navy submarine and the energy spent to recover the sailors’ bodies so that they could get a proper burial. When recovered, they, of course, were buried at sea.) RICH TRUJILLO found a friendly reef in Chicago and took in a game at Wrigley Field. Then he took the Amtrak home as scheduled by Debbie’s Travel Agency. (And that’s a story in itself.) GENE GLEASON gave for the upcoming fund raiser by Maddi’s Closet. TONY ARMAS gave for “Mr. V’s” and his Tri-Tips which were enough to get a vegetarian off the wagon. STEVE BLUNT gave for his speaking assignment this morning. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave for the Stroll in the Park and for Tasos being here.

Report from LaMiradaBlog.com

The Saturday morning edition of the La Mirada Blog reported that its editor, TONY AIELLO, is in Whittier Presbyterian Hospital. for what was described as heart issues. He was reported as doing well. We will look for more details.



Tasos Lilis from “Mr. V’s” poses with the Kiwanis plaque presented by Ruffo for his Tri-Tip donation for the 3rd of July.



It had been rumored that Alan had found gainful employment, but now it has been verified.

Last Week’s Who Am I?

I greet each day with civility.
Sometimes I say “Oot and about the hoose.”
I once was a Ranger.. (Now I am just an old skate.)

Who Am I?
JIM MCGIRR

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The Objects of Kiwanis International

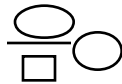
To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life
To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
To develop, by precept and example, a 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.



Legend:

Board Meeting
Today's Date
Working Event



JULY 2009

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	

AUGUST 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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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					

Announcements

July 18-5K Breezewood Walk/Run
August 6-Monthly Evening Meeting
August 13-Bingo at Imperial
August 20-Bingo at Mirada Hills

Birthdays: July 3-Kenny Taylor, July 19-Lorraine Neal

Anniversary: July 6-STEVE BLUNT, July 6-STEVE FORSTER, July 11 RON KNIGHT, July 11-DON KING, July 17-RICH TRUJILLO, July 25-RUFFO ESPINOSA

Visitors: Tasos Lilis, from Mr. V's

50/50 Drawing was won by PAT RUIZ and donated to the Fire Truck Fund.

Donation Report: PAT RUIZ reports on the John McNichols Golf Tournament to which Kiwanis made a donation. It was sold out and monies raised went to help the family.

Calendar-Regular Meetings

Every Wednesday Morning

7:15 AM Gateway Holiday Inn

Monthly Evening Meeting-First Thursday

El Camino High School Teacher's Lounge 7:00 PM

Board Meeting

Third Monday Evening of month - 5:30 PM Gateway Holiday Inn (All Members Welcome)