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Meetings

December 15, 2023
Program: Kiwanis Crazy
Xmas Fiesta

December 22, 2023
*** Dark ***
Happy Holidays

December 29, 2023
*** Dark ***
See you at the International
President's Luncheon

Kiwanis Club of Glendale
meets Fridays at
12 noon
at The Elks Lodge
120 E. Colorado
Glendale CA 91205



Albert Hernandez
Reporter

I have been a member of this Club since 2015 and this is my first-time volunteering to be a reporter for the award winning KiwanisNews. I've edited and published so many of these, but I was so nervous to capture all the Kiwanis Moments from the meeting, but it was great. I felt like I paid more attention to the Club meeting, more than ever before. Well, let's get this going!

The holiday season is in full swing, and it was great to be among so many compassionate individuals. The moment I walked in I was greeted by many Kiwanians at the front door including, **Mike Swan**, **Claudia Sysock**, **Gabriella Waterman** and **Laurel Patric**. The food looked and smelled great and what a feast it was, including tri-tip, potatoes, and veggies!



It was 12:15pm on the dot when **President Irma Villegas** hit the bell and got the meeting started. **Irma** thanked all the volunteers for helping set up and making her look good.

Past President **Jose Sierra** and pianist **Rebecca Kupperman** led us in a great

patriotic song, *God Bless America*. Next up was the Pledge of Allegiance led by **John Juarez**. And then we had Past President **Ron Baker** lead us in an inspirational message. It was a story about a 65-year-old entrepreneur who tried to get local restaurants to try his chicken recipe. He was turned down 1,009 times until he got a "yes." It was a story about never giving up! Coincidentally the entrepreneur was Colonel Sanders from Kentucky Fried Chicken.



Nzhde Avag-Petrosyan was up next leading us in the infamous Stretch of the Day. Thanks **Nzhde** for reminding us to stretch and care for ourselves.



Next was the introduction of guests, including District Governor from the Kiwanis Club of Hanford, Kiwanis District Governor **Carole Farris**. Kiwanian **Theresa Baradas** invited her sister to attend; and Past President **Ron Baker** introduced for the final time as a guest, Fr. Anthony Garcia. Also, being introduced as a guest for the final time was John Over.

Joke of the Day was led by Past President, **T.J. Denton**, who said a one-sentence joke

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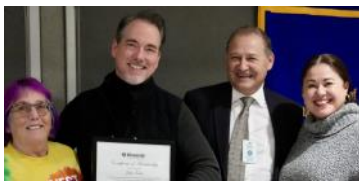
that mentioned McDonalds and an upset mother. Past President **Laurel Patric** came up to the podium for the weekly Goodwill Report. **Laurel** shared that **Laura Duncan** is dealing with some respiratory issues. Let's all keep **Laura** in our thoughts.



Next up, one of our favorite moments at any Kiwanis meeting, the induction of new Kiwanians. We had VP **Dr. Al Nunez** join us at the podium and applicant **John Over**.



Al gave us an overview of **John's** background including how he is an Emmy Award winner. **John** shared how



extremely humbled he is and that he is so proud to be part of a Club that does so much for the community. Next induction was led by Past President **Ron**

Baker, who shared the background for applicant **Fr. Anthony Garcias**. **Fr. Anthony** expressed his excitement to be part of a Club that does so much for Glendale. He stated he is the fourth pastor from Holy Family to join the Club. He shared that he was the moderator



for a youth club called the Kiwins.

Kiwanis Moments included several photos from the Holiday Gala. Shout out to the 'Biggest Loser' **Albert Hernandez** and our biggest winners, **Karen Swan** and VP **Dr. Al Nunez** who shared a pot of \$4,400.

President **Irma** brought up **Albert Hernandez** from



Home Again LA to present a \$3,000 check to support their Empty Bowl event and the 2024 Gala. This is what Kiwanis is all about; helping our non-profits as they help those in dire need.

Several upcoming events were highlighted which can be seen at the bottom of this newsletter.

John Juarez reminded the group that the bowling team is coming back. We should all consider participating in this fun event that brings together our members for bowling and craft beers.

The 50/50 opportunity drawing was next. The lucky

winner this week was Past President **Cathy Keen** who took home \$80.00.

A fine session started:

- **Jim Patric** auctioned off several boxes of JoJo's cookies and helped the Club raise funds. Those who purchased cookies included Past President **Susie Dell**, President Elect **Carl Povilaitis**, and our District Governor Carole Farris.
- Randy Wolff paid his usual fine. This man is such a generous person. Not even a Club member..... yet. Thank you, Randy!
- **Karen Swan** paid a fine in honor of the reverse drawing win.
- **Dr. Al Nunez** also paid a fine in honor of the reverse drawing win.
- Jennifer Haake paid a fine for all the support Kiwanians give to the Campbell Center's Aktion Club.
- Past President **Laurel Patric** paid a fine in honor of her famously delicious cookies.
- Past President **Susie Dell** paid a fine in honor of a delightful Christmas card she recently received in the mail from Past President **T.J. Denton**.
- **T.J.** matched her fine and shared how thankful he is for a wonderful year.
- Past Presidents **Jose** and **Monica Sierra** paid a fine in honor of not having to cook Thanksgiving dinner this year as they celebrated with their family in Texas. **Monica** shared how they spent her birthday celebration in beautiful Newport Beach.

Show time! Past President **Ron Baker** came up to introduce the Holy Family Childrens Concert Choir who, for the next 20 minutes, sang so many wonderful songs from *All I want For Christmas* to *Feliz Navidad*. It was a beautiful sight watching the children sing, harmonize, turn their music sheets and smile. It definitely feels like the holiday season is here. This is a wonderful tradition that we've been doing for years!



Hail Kiwanis!



KIWANIS KALENDAR

December 16—Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Ralphs LaCrescenta

December 22—** Dark ** - Happy Holidays

December 29—International President's Luncheon, Pasadena, 11:30am

The Music Of The Season Inspires Us!



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 - 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 cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

The Kiwanis Club of Pasadena and the
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INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S INTER-CLUB LUNCHEON

Friday, December 29, 2023
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon Price - \$45.00
Sponsored Youth - \$35.00

**THE SALVATION ARMY
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**960 E. WALNUT ST.,
PASADENA, CA 91106**

Also attending



Katrina Baranko

2023-2024 Kiwanis
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- **3 Options to Join:** Full-time Player (play every week) OR Half-time Player (play every other week)
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