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Meetings

March 22, 2024
Program: Porto's Bakery
Speaker: Betty Porto

March 29, 2024
*** Dark ***

April 5, 2024
Speaker: Michael Allen
Program: Healing California

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

Learning about the Bear's Den at the Elks Lodge



Reporter

Bob Keen and I walked into a sea of green this afternoon, with everyone sporting their best St. Pat's look, although it is actually the Ides of March. I was looking forward to hearing **Rebecca**

Kupperman's medley of Irish tunes during our

social time, but unfortunately, she was not able to be with us today. We all missed you, **Rebecca**! Three big guys were ready to give me some giant Irish hugs – **Mike Swan**, **Carl Povilaitis**, and **Richard Dell**. Definitely no leprechauns in the greeters' line today!

We made our rounds, loaded up our plates with a nice cheese manicotti and all the sides and settled in at a table with the **Swans**, the **Sierras**, **Page Whyte**, and **Robin Goldsworthy**. President **Irma Villegas** gonged the Kiwanis bell and we were off and running with another hour and a half of fellowship. **Jose**



Irma thanked the usual meeting helpers, the set-up team, the check-in table, the 50 50 sales, the pho-

Sierra tried to keep us in tune with the patriotic song, but it's not quite the same without **Rebecca**. **Laura Duncan** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and **Liza Boubari** gave another one of her great inspirational messages. Today she paid tribute to all the great women in the room, the Queen Bees of Chaos.



tographer, the greeters, and the reporter/publisher team. Our stretch of the day was led by a merciful **Nzhde Avag-Petrosyan**, who allowed us to remain in our seats for the exercises. Guest intros were conducted by **Alan Nunez**. The only guest was **Debbie Hinckley**, wife of **Bruce Hinckley**. She has been a guest at our club dozens of times in the last 20 years. We still make her stand for the welcome song every time she attends, in hopes that she will tire of our singing and join the group. Telling the joke of the day was **Gabriella Waterman** who entertained us with some very clever Ides of March quips.

Laurel Patric tag-teamed with yours truly for the Goodwill Report today. We have very sad news that former member **Cord Nuoffer**, who moved to Las Vegas two years ago, has stage 4 cancer and is under hospice care at his sister's home. I was able to share happier news about **Bob** and me visiting **Leon Mayer** for his 98th birthday last Sunday and about **Bob** and **Page** visiting **Skip Neville** last Saturday. Both were alert and in good spirits.



KiwanisNews sponsors were a win/win today with **Bob Praun** being the only one present. One of these days we will have all five sponsors in attendance and will get our president to throw \$20 into the till. Just a friendly heads up for you, **Irma**.

It's always exciting to add a new member to our flock and today we welcomed **Frank Maldonado** to the group. **Frank** is a graduate of the USC School of Architecture and a real estate investor. Presi-



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dent **Irma** met **Frank** at a real estate investor's meeting and invited him to a meeting. He's been attending regularly and it's now official. **Frank** is no stranger to Kiwanis as his sister was in Key Club in High School. He looks forward to doing Kiwanis service projects. Welcome, **Frank**!

With the member induction completed, **Irma** reminded us that our membership goal is to add 20 new members this year. We are on our way with four new members already. Bring a guest to a meeting or invite a guest to a service project so they can experience the good work we do and the fun we have doing it. One such project was last Saturday helping Salem Lutheran Church assemble and pack thousands of nutritional meal kits to be sent to impoverished countries. **Irma** had slides showing the amazing assembly process.

Announcements and Events:

- K-Biz this month will be held March 20th at the Grille at the Toasted Bun on Central at 8 am. Come for a delicious no-host breakfast and some networking with your fellow members. This is also a great time to bring a guest.
- Our bowling team is all set for the April 14th Bowlero Pasadena competition. Contact **John Juarez** for more information if you are interested in participating or watching.
- The Ascencia Gala is coming up on April 13th at Oakmont Country Club. **Dr. Laura Duncan** says there are still a few seats left. Contact **Paulette Ramsay Wood** or **Laura** if you would like to attend.
- Contact **Gabriella Waterman** if you can help represent Glendale Kiwanis at the Nowrey Celebration Resource Fair on March 20th at 11 am at Palm Plaza.
- President-Elect **Carl Povilaitis** gave a pitch for the upcoming Duck Race on May 4th. The Star Wars theme has taken off. The Team selections were made last week by five super team captains and their co-pilots. Your captain will be contacting you soon! **Carl** says to remember that this is a friendly war, as we all have the same mission. **Carl** says we are going for 30,000 ducks this year, and I know we can do this.

John Schock won the \$75 pot in the 50/50 today. Fines were abundant with President **Irma**



leading the charge with a fine to thank Veep **Al Nunez** for running the show last week. **Patricia Larrigan** shared a picture of precious six-day-old Nora Grace Cerrado, her great granddaughter. **Claudia Sysock** had a fine in gratitude for the DSA she recently received. **Alan Nunez** was

celebrating his 1-year-old grandson and another on the way. **Jose Sierra** is happy that we have another architect (**Frank Maldonado**) in our midst now to help build the famous Lake Glendale for the event. He is also happy that he got through Covid ok last week, even though it cut his visit with his grand-



daughter short a couple of days. **Robin Goldsworthy** is celebrating captaining the best duck team ever! **John Schock** gave back some of his 50/50 winnings – something about a snow-making machine in Alpine. It was a good story. **Esther Juarez** paid a fine for their St. Lucia trip. **Albert Hernandez** paid to thank the club for the many Welcome Home kits that were assembled for Home Again LA.

We always have a good program during the last 30 minutes of our meeting, but today's speaker was one of the best ever. Columnist and author Chris Eskine had us spellbound in between the laughter as he talked about his life and his most recent book *What the Bears Know*. Erskine spent months consulting and meeting in Mammoth with black bear expert Steve Searles. We learned about their habits, their dens, their love of anything edible (or not), their mothering instincts, their communication noises, and their lack of desire to hurt us. Chris shared a beautiful quote from bear expert Steve; "People ask me all the time what they should do when they come across a bear. I say, take a breath, hug your kid, whisper in their ear, 'Aren't we lucky? We get to see a bear.'" What an exceptional program this was!



Next week is another great program, Betty Porto of Porto's Bakery. She will tell of how the Porto family lived in Cuba, how they came to America, how they got started in Glendale, and how they have grown. You don't want to miss this one. In fact, invite a guest if you are able. See you then!

Hail Kiwanis!



KIWANIS KALENDAR (See flyers below)

January through March—Glendale Kiwanis Membership Drive

March 20—K-Biz, Grille By Toasted Bun, 8:00am

March 29—DARK

May 4—Kiwani's Incredible Duck Splash, Verdugo Park, Glendale



Greeters Or Leprechauns (?)



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Pat*




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birthdays and a wonderful
year up ahead! ~Anita

Green is Keen!
Happy St. Pat's
From Bob and Cathy



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	RENE KARAPEDIAN & PAM SPISZMAN	ROBIN GOLDSWORTHY & RON BAKER	SAVI LABENSART & GABRIELLA WATERMAN	AL NUNEZ & JOHN OVER	NZHDE AVAG-PETROSYAN & MARKO SWAN
	Duck Vadar	Obi-Wan Duckobi	R2-Duck2	Duck Sabers	The Chosen Duck
1	Rene Karapedian	Robin Goldsworthy	Savi Labensart	Al Nunez	Nzhde Avag-Petrosyan
2	Pam Spizman	Ron Baker	Gab Waterman	John Over	Marko Swan
3	Agajanian, Vrej	Allen, Lynnette	Allen, Joe	Barnes, Rick	Aghadjanian, Mavit
4	Astorian, Greg	Belt, Robert	Baradas, Tes	Berggren, Kelly	Carr, Susan
5	Borucki, Ron	Block, David	Benton, Jeri	Bilheimer, Jack	Garcias, Anthony
6	Crawford, Beth	Boubari, Liza	Broerman, Mary	Chernich, George	Greenbaum, Dave
7	Dell, Richard	Brooks, Lisa	Cleary, Cindy	Devine, Paula	Guard, Kim
8	Detro, Martine	Cleghorn, Cindy	Cruz, Alicia	Feinbloom, Richard	Janow, Dianna
9	Escarrega, Ann Louise	Cordova, Joseph	Dell, Susie	Finkelberg, Lou	Kassahkian, Ardy
10	Eskin, Sheldon	Guyer, Kathryn	Duncan, Laura	Fundora-Manzur, Denise	Kupperman, Rebecca
11	Gahvaray, Ryan	Guyer, Mike	Grigoryan, Karine	Hull, Harry	Liddell, Pat
12	Ghazalpour, Alex	Larrigan, Patricia	Guillory, Laura	Jakubecy, Dawna (DJ)	Liston, Brad
13	Hernandez, Albert	Maniscatchi, Mike	Jabarian, Appo	Keen, Bob	MacCarley, Mark
14	Hinckley, Bruce	Marca, Trevor	Markosyan, Kristine	Keen, Cathy	Mandoky, Joe
15	Juarez, Esther	Neville, Skip	Nigam, Anjalika	Marconi-Rothacher, Mirta	Parajon, Alex
16	Juarez, John	Orlin, Grant	Nishi, Jeff	McDonagh, Helen	Patric, Jim
17	Karinski, Edna	Poisl, Marcelo	Nishi, Stacey	Morovati, Hilda	Patric, Laurel
18	Magoffin, Patricia	Rodriguez, Joseph	Peters, Lou	Navarrete, Amy	Pogharian, Aleen
19	Orozco, Sam	Ropfogel, Stephen	Praun, Bob	Niebrugge, Nancy	Sadd, Louie
20	Roth, Andy	Sahakian, Shant	Siraki, Anita	Paez, Cynthia	Schock, John
21	Sadd, John	Saunders, John	Swan, Karen	Patrick, Meg	Taylor, Amy
22	Sholer, Mike	Sharma, Jay	Swan, Mike	Povilaitis, Carl	Trinidad, Ante
23	Spizman, Ian	Sierra, Jose	Swan, Scott	Reyes, Isabel	Velazquez, Mercy
24	Williams, Richard	Sierra, Monica	Wilder, Steve	Sysock, Claudia	Whyte, Page
25	Wojcieszyn, Olesia	Swan, Analisa	Zappala, Cathy	Villegas, Carlos	Wood, Paulette
26				Villegas, Irma	

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Join us, as we help our children, by purchasing a Banner to fly on the streets of Glendale!

Race Day, May 4, 2024
Verdugo Park @ 1621 Canada Blvd.
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