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Meetings

April 12, 2024
Program: Bleu World
Speaker: Jessy Shelton

April 19, 2024
Program: Meet Brisket, GPD
Support Dog
Speaker: Amy Tate

April 26, 2024
Program: Keck USC VHH
Offerings
Speaker: Adria E. Navarro

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



Cathy Keen
Reporter

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Grilled pork chops with delicious mashed potatoes were “what’s for lunch” today. I made the rounds, filled my plate (and one for my husband **Bob**), and sat down just in time for President **Irma Villegas** to sound the gong. Our talented and lovely pianist and fellow Kiwanian **Rebecca Kupperman** played “America the Beautiful” while **Savi Labensart** led us with her beautiful voice. We pledged our allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, after being reminded by **Paulette Ramsay Wood** how fortunate we are to live in this great country. **Liza Boubari** inspired us with some strong words today and left us with the message that “honest” is the best word of all.

So, opening protocol being completed, **Irma** thanked greeters **Bob Praun**, **Mike Swan**, and **Susan Carr**. She also thanked check-in sweetheart

Claudia Sysock and acknowledged **John Saunders** and **Cathy Keen** as the publisher/reporter team of the day. Paging any “chiropractor in the house” **Irma** found **Dr. George Chernich** ready to lead us in some great, feel-good stretches. At last, I was ready to sit down and try the pork chop!

Rene Karapedian did the honors with today’s guest intros. **Hilda Morovati** introduced Police Foundation member **Araz Parseghian**, **Meg Patrick** introduced today’s speaker **Gabrielle Goglia**, and **Irma** introduced **Danny Manasserian**, former member and (we hope) future member.

Ron Baker stepped up to the podium to do the Joke of the Day. He pre-aced his presentation with a disclaimer as the one-liners he read were submitted to him by the Holy Family Builders Club. There were some good duck and chicken jokes (or yolks??). Not much in the Goodwill Report today except that **Bob Keen** is recovering well from a recent fall from a ladder. Sponsors were a split today with **Mike Sholer** and **Hilda Morovati** present to save the day. April birthdays were properly celebrated, and eight couples with anniversaries this month were recognized.

Hilda Morovati presented guest **Aras Parcijian** of the Glendale Police Foundation with a check from our club for \$3000, and our guest speaker **Gabrielle** was presented a check for \$2,000 to help with expenses for the annual 10k Run for the Verdugos. We were treated to some pictures of the Fremont K-Kids planning their duck buddy strategy at their monthly meeting. President **Irma** briefed us on the Kiwanis Mid-



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Year Education Conference, highlighting a presentation by Circle K, the college-level service leadership program. They focus on membership, service, and fellowship, with a big emphasis on fellowship. **Irma** also attended a Healthy Mentality Seminar, and as a result, started a Gratitude Journal for all of us to add to. “Feel better” suggestions were to play games, walk dogs, do something nice for someone, and sell ducks! About selling those ducks, hit your social media platforms and spread the word. Tag, Share, Promote! We can do this, fellow Kiwanians.

Club announcements:

May 2 Duck Tagging Campbell Center

May 4 19th Annual Kiwanis Incredible Duck Splash

Community announcements were listed:

4/12 Glendale Dodger Night with Glendale Parks and Open Spaces

4/13 Ascencia Gala

4/14 Campbell Center 32nd Annual Bowl-A-Thon

5/10 HALA 10th Annual Gala see Patricia Larrigan

5/20 GYA & Glendale Chamber Chrity Golf Tournament

5/30 Glendale Police Awards Luncheon

Regarding the Ascencia Gala, **Paulette** commented that it will be a great event and that we will have a wonderful meal and party, but the bigger picture we need to keep in mind is that there are 70,000 unhoused people in Los Angeles. The Gala proceeds will go toward reducing that astronomical number. So, show up, have fun, enjoy your friends, and bring your most generous heart along with you.

Carl Povilaitis gave the rah-rah or quack-quack pep talk about the big fundraiser coming up on May 4. Get out there and sell those duck adoptions! We will be needing volunteers to tag the ducks before the race, and plenty of help is needed on the day of the event—morning, noon, and afternoon. In other words, we need help all day. The teams have already started a friendly competition with their messages on the ad page of this publication. We are hoping to get 25,000 ducks adopted this year. **Albert Hernandez** has designed a promotional flyer to post on your social media page with a space for your QR code so your followers can go straight to your adoption page. Thanks, **Albert!**



The 50/50 drawing for \$70 went to Top Duck Sponsor **Marcelo Poisl**. Speaking of money, it was time for a few fines. **David Block** is just back from Germany, after spending time with their new grandchild. **Jeanett Cordon Resendez** is celebrating five years of marriage with her husband, whom she has known since high school. **Pam** and **Ian Spizman** will be celebrating their recent 32nd anniversary in Hawaii. And Travelin' Man **Ron Baker** had a hefty fine for missing three weeks due to a family trip to Australia and New Zealand. Such happy news for everyone!



Meg Patrick introduced our speaker of the day, Gabrielle Goglia. Gabrielle gave a wonderful and informative presentation about Glendale Parks and Open Spaces, how it started, what their programs are, and how we can volunteer. I was really surprised to learn how much I did not know about this great organization that has been operating in our community since after the historical Station Fire in 2009. Deukmejian Park was destroyed during the lengthy fire.



Concerned citizens made artwork using the ashes from the fire to sell and make money to restore the park. The organization evolved from this effort. We learned about the Riverwalk workdays where we can volunteer. Bird Day in December allows us to view the many different breeds of birds whose habitats are along the Riverwalk. Gabrielle educated us about the free busses available on weekends leaving from Maple Park and Pacific Edison Park that will take us straight to Deukmejian. And any school in Glendale, not just public schools, can have free bus transportation to the park for a two-hour guided Field Trip. At the end of Fern Lane in Glendale (near the Sports Park), you can hike/walk the Catalina Trail which takes about an hour. Who knew? The group sponsors the GO! Program, an afterschool youth sports program for South Glendale elementary school students. There are Interpretive Hikes, Campfire programs, and more. After years of watching our club give grants to this great organization's 10K Run for the Verdugos fundraiser, I now understand why. For more information, go to www.glendaleparksfoundation.org.

Just like ducks, time flies and our meeting came to a close. Next week we will go from land to sea and learn about Bleu World, Building a Life of Exploration Underwater. If you haven't attended a meeting in a while, I urge you to come back. Our programs have been great, the camaraderie stellar, the food delicious, and the jokes...well, some are better than others. I'll leave it at that.

Hail Kiwanis!



KIWANIS KALENDAR (See flyers below)

April 12—Report Of Nominating Committee — Slate of Officers and Directors 2024-2025

April 19—Nominations from the Floor for Officers and Directors 2024-2025

April 24—K-Biz, Grille By Toasted Bun, 8:00am

April 26—Election of Officers and Directors 2024-2025

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

July 3-6—Kiwani's International Convention, Denver, CO

Preparations For Dick Race, Along With Socialization,
Occupy Us Before Our Meeting



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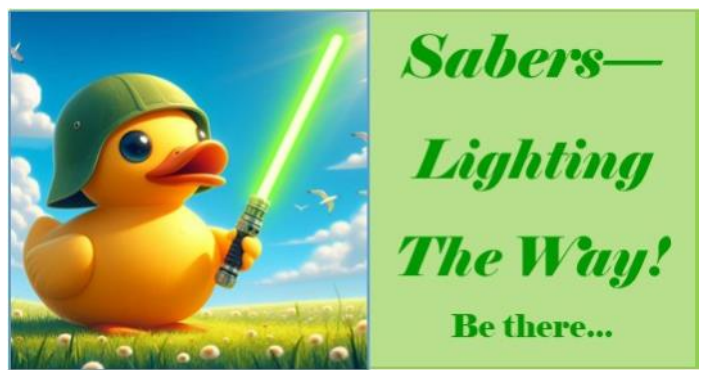
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 - To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
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 - To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.



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DUCK VADER		OBI-WAN DUCKOBI		R2-DUCK2		DUCK SABERS		THE CHOSEN DUCK	
1	Rene Karapedian		Robin Goldsworthy		Savi Labensart		Al Nunez		Nzhde Avag-Petrosyan
2	Pam Spiszman		Ron Baker		Gab Waterman		John Over		Marko Swan
3	Agajanian, Vrej		Allen, Lynnette		Allen, Joe		Barnes, Rick		Aghadjanian, Mavil
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		Maniscalchi, 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		Rodriquez, 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	Resendez, Jeanett Cordon						Villegas, Irma		
27							Maldonado, Frank		

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