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Meetings

May 24, 2024
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Memorial Day Weekend

May 31, 2024

Program: Scholarships
Speaker: Amy Taylor

June 7, 2024

Program: CNH Kiwanis
Children's Fund
Speaker: *TBA*

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



Mike Sholer
Reporter

The typical May Gray skies may have put a cool mood on the late morning but the atmosphere inside the Elks Lodge was the usual warm and welcoming environment we expect at our Friday gatherings. A fish fry with comfort sides awaited us in the buffet line as members scurried to and fro, completing their tasks, getting their assignments, reporting for duty. No sooner had I confirmed the latest Agenda updates with **La Presidenta Irma Villegas**, then I was quickly recruited from my Press Perch at the Head Table to direct the collective choir as **Rebecca Kupperman** provided the music for our Patriotic Song, *God Bless America*.



Laura Duncan offered the Pledge, after which we briefly paused and sent out an APB for **Hilda Morovati** who was MIA for her Inspiration assignment. The Prez skillfully filled time with her long list of thank yous to the assembled crew responsible for today's successful meeting—from greeters, reporter, publisher, photographer to all those who complete the many operational tasks needed each Friday.

Al Nunez stepped forward to lead us in our weekly Stretch, allowing us to happily remain

seated as we inhaled through the nose (not the mouth) while we “embraced the belly” to avoid neck problems. **Mike Swan** followed and worked the room as he coordinated the introduction of our six guests who were then serenaded by our lively *Hello* song!

Our singing may not be able to raise the dead but it did succeed in retrieving our Inspirer, **Hilda**, who arrived just in time to provide the weekly message. **Stephen Ropfogel** then provided the Joke of the Day, a couple of “groaners” courtesy of Google... such “*Pun-ishment!*”

Laurel Patric provided some updates on successful surgeries and at-home recoveries in her Goodwill Report while a quick review of the *KiwaniNews* sponsors for the week showed two of them (**Liza Boubari** and **Sheldon Eskin**) were present, saving us all some weekend spending cash.

Duckmeister **Carl Povilaitis** gave us a brief recap of the Duck Splash tallies, verifying the photo-finish victory of the Duck Sabers over the Duck Vaders by a count of 4,151 to 4,117 points (!) (adoptions and sponsorships) while our Duck Buddies collectively earned \$26,334 including a heart-warming late entry from the Las Vegas Kiwanis Club (#11) in a tribute to our (and their) late member and friend **Cord Nuoffer**.

Club and Community Announcements were a



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bit inter-twined, rapid and detailed...fortunately, most of the timely and important ones are also listed online and later in this newsletter!

- We did learn about BUG (Bring Up Grades) events and other youth activities at Horace Mann, Cerritos and Fremont Elementary Schools;
- The K-Kids at Jefferson Elementary thanking us for our donation of 11 basketballs and thus avoiding a "Crisis on the Courts;"
- Remember to check the Kiwanis Kalendar for upcoming K-Biz meetings;
- Scholarship Committee interviews starting up (still time to join);
- Sunrise Rotary Field of Honor (May 27);
- Glendale Memorial Day Celebration (same day) followed by lunch at the Elks Lodge;
- Friends of Scouting Community Breakfast, May 30 at 7 a.m.;
- Glendale Police Luncheon at 11 a.m. also May 30;
- Glendale Autism Alliance Family Picnic with the Grill Team cooking on June 1;
- Holy Family's "Broadway Under the Stars" event on June 8.

When!



Our great community partner, the Glendale Public Library, received two \$1,000 checks from member and former librarian **Cindy Cleary**, for their Read Aloud Collection and the Story Time To-Go Kits.

Another former librarian, **Laurel Patric** collected the next bit of cash, the weekly 50/50 Raffle, today worth \$80.

We replenished the Kiwanis Kitty with voluntary fines from

- **Mark MacCarley** in support of **Appo Jabarian's** announcement of the American Armenian National Security Institute's humanitarian support trip to Armenia in August and their June 13 fundraiser;
- Randy Wolff (our traditional Elks supporter);
- **Amy Taylor** (daughter just got a job);
- **Cindy Cleary** (appreciating the years of club support for the Library);
- **Jim Patric** (thanks to **Carl Povilaitis** in his success with the Duck Splash);

- **Laurel Patric** (having somehow missed the shark in Lake Glendale).

Additional contributions were made by

- **John Schock** (shout-out to all the Lower Lake volunteers);
- **Liza Boubari** (recent speaking engagement in Dubai at HR conference on corporate stress management);
- **Al Nunez** (congrats to his Duck Team);
- **Robin Goldsworthy** (Caribbean trip with husband and having to miss the Duck Splash).

Robin smoothly segued into introducing our Guest Speaker, Erica Blodgett, the director of fundraising and engagement for Healing California, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing free medical, dental and vision care to Californians who "fall between the cracks!"



Established in 2017, Healing California offers services to those in need but without access to care due to homelessness, delays in VA bureaucracy and other shortfalls in timely responses. The organization has provided some \$8 million in value of medical services since its founding including \$1 million last year alone.

Sharing the podium with Erica was founder and Board Chair Linwood Boomer who, addressing the delays in some VA services, spoke of the Veteran Stand Downs they offer, providing safety for homeless vets, 5,000 of whom were helped this past year alone. Erica noted the 35 pop-up clinics held throughout the state from Vista to Placerville, partnering with local agencies that promote the clinics and provide medical contacts for local volunteer teams to offer their free weekend services at the mobile clinics in a park.



Helping those "just on the edge," Healing California clinics (nearly 1/3 of which have been in Los Angeles County) are always in need of volunteers—medical or clerical (helping to register, check-in and "lend an ear") to those in need.

Inspired by the wonderful work of this agency, our Duck Splash success and the anticipation of a meaningful Memorial Day holiday, we all rose to join in a heartfelt...

Hail Kiwanis!



KIWANIS KALENDAR (See flyers below)

May 22—K-Biz, Grille By Toasted Bun, 8am

June 1—AASC Annual Family Picnic, Scholl Canyon Park, Glendale, 12noon-3:30pm

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

August 8-10—Cal-Nev-Ha Disrict Education Convention, Kona, HI

**The Usual Cheerful Gathering Of Kiwanians And Friends
Before The Meeting**



Sponsors are randomly selected by the Publisher each week from the Kiwanis membership. If all five posted sponsors are present at the meeting on the date of the newsletter, the President pays a \$20 fine. If no posted sponsors attend the meeting, each member in attendance pays a \$1 fine (members only, no guests). The collected funds go into our Club account to offset Administrative expenses.

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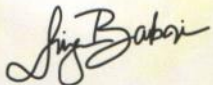


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 - To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
 - 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.



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WEDNESDAY, MAY 22TH 2024
TO NETWORK WITH SERVICE-MINDED
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TIME: 8:00 - 10:00AM

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For more information

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You're invited to the ...
**28th Annual
Glendale Police Awards Luncheon**



May 30th, 2024

11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Hilton Glendale, 100 West Glenoaks Blvd.
Glendale, CA 91202

This annual event recognizes and honors the accomplishments of Glendale Police Department employees and members of the community. The foundation will announce the Officer of the Year, Reserve Officer of the Year, Civilian Employee of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, and Community Service Awards.

For more information section, email awards@gpf.org,
visit www.gpf.org or call (818)374-7979

Luncheon tickets and sponsorship form attached





Glendale Sunrise Rotary's The Field of Honor

This is a community-wide event that celebrates patriotism and honors those who have made an impact on our lives.

1,000 American flags will fly at Forest Lawn Glendale from May 21 to May 27, 2024. A community memorial ceremony will be held on Monday, May 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Flags can be purchased to honor those who have impacted our lives. Those honorees will be listed on the individual flags.



Glendale Field of Honor

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