

# The Kiwanis Chronicles

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



**Serving the Children of the  
World**

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

## More On Education

. Our speaker was JESSE URQUIDI, who announced the above as the title of his talk. Jesse had talked to us some months ago about the Norwalk La Mirada Education Foundation. It was in "quasi-retirement" with some cash in the bank. He worked to bring it back to life and it has been responsible for the granting of funds to teachers for specified projects. To be granted money for these projects, they must submit requests within a certain period and they have to be approved by the Foundation. The grants normally range in size from \$25 to \$500. They have now gone through three grant periods and a total of \$18, 071 has been awarded.

To keep any personalities out of the granting, the applications are assigned a number and the applicant is anonymous. The first time they received 15 applications for grants, the second time, 38 and the last time 29. The foundation raises funds from local businesses, service organizations and voluntary deductions from the School District employees.

Teachers receiving grants are required to keep the receipts. Jesse noted they are not a part of the School Board.

Jesse gave a breakdown as to which schools have received the most in grants with Moffitt Elementary School leading the list. If you wish to become a donor, contact Jesse at 662 400 1303 or by e-mail at [empmemo@yahoo.com](mailto:empmemo@yahoo.com)

## Club Installs New Officers

An Installation dinner was held on Wednesday evening, September 23, attended by most members and outside guests. Mayor Susan Tripp and husband Rolan were there as well as Councilman Hal Malkin. Outgoing Lt. Governor SHIRLEY MCCracken was there to de-install the present officers and Board. GEORGE HALLAK installed the new officers and Board. Two new members, Dr. RUTH PEREZ and DIMITRI ELBLING, were inducted.

DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave thanks to the Club for her year and singled out many for praise. The highlight of any administration is the selection of "Kiwanian of the Year." This year she selected CHRIS STAPLES. Chris is a newer member but has distinguished himself for his many activities which include, maintaining the data base of the Duck Race, designing and keeping current our award winning web site, and running the evening meetings.

Installed as incoming President was Dr. JERRY ROODZANT, Immediate Past President DEBBIE SCHEIBEL, President Elect STEVE FORSTER, Secretary AMY SCHEIBEL, and Treasurer SHERRY BRAKEBILL. LAURA WILLIAMS was installed as Vice-President of the Evening Members. Board Members installed were TED CEASU, PETER CHOW, RUFFO ESPINOSA, ART LESLIE, RICH POWERS, PAT RUIZ, and DAVE TAYLOR.

Debbie gave a rundown of the past year which included many activities and a membership increase of 53%. Dr. JERRY ROODZANT talked of the year to come and the challenges we will face.



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JOHN TOVAR gives us Dr. Seuss and a Kiwanis version of Panny Cakes and Ham

**More Pictures  
Next week**



## September 23 Dollars and Nonsense

RICH TRUJILLO started the morning by leading us in the Pledge. PAT RUIZ, at the piano led us in "You're a Grand Old Flag." ART LESLIE gave the Invocation. When it was time to make the bucks appear LOU PILTZ was called upon to show us his magic as he extracted some "Silent" bucks from REED TAYLOR. Dr. JERRY ROODZANT gave for his birthday coming up where his age coincides with that of the speed limit set on the Interstate by President Nixon. He then told a time consuming story of how clocks are kept in Heaven. He then commented on the notable absence of USC fans this morning.

LA DONNA MUNIER told of her trip to Washington to see her brother who passed away shortly after her return. SHERRY BRAKEBILL gave a sad dollar for La Donna. She noted that she had her Kiwanis pin on at a recent Council meeting. GERALD PEEBLER gave for his 91st birthday and announced his candidacy for Kiwanis President nine years from now. AMY SCHEIBEL gave for a mosquito filled trip. PAT RUIZ gave for an addition to her family, that of a desert tortoise. She added one for the great Club. JESSE URQUIDI gave for being appointed to the Public Safety Commission. He added one for his daughter crawling. STEVE FORSTER gave a Notre Dame dollar. JOHN TOVAR gave for his son losing his high flying job at Home Depot. He added one for his being diagnosed with an early stage of diabetes. He gave another for outgoing President Debbie. Dr. ED NORMAN gave for being late blaming the fog as the culprit. (Most of us are that way this time of morning but manage to get to the meeting on time.)

RUFFO ESPINOSA gave for Debbie and an upcoming trip to attend a wedding in Arizona. He added one for UCLA football. (Who has a bye this weekend.) TONY ARMAS added a Happy Buck. RICH TRUJILLO gave a late dollar. SHERRY BRAKEBILL added one for her grandson turning three. GERALD gave one for Debbie. LOU PILTZ gave for Debbie and for incoming President Dr. JERRY ROODZANT. DEBBIE SCHEIBEL gave one for a trip to Sacramento. Amy accompanied her and named the newspapers in each of the towns through which they passed,

### Who Am I?

I was photographed with Esther Williams as a member of an Exhibition Square Dance.

I once held the rank of Lieutenant.

I attended seven Grammy Awards and parties.

Who am I?

### Last Week's Who Am I?

I am present at almost all Kiwanis breakfasts.

Once in a while I make a trip to Colorado at the insistence of "Mama."

I put the word "Service" into Kiwanis meetings.

Who Am I? Pete Esqueda

## Division 30 Officers Installed

A brunch was held on Sunday September 27 at the Marriott Courtyard in Cypress where new officers were installed to serve from Oct. 1, 2009 to Sept. 30, 2010. GEORGE HALLAK was installed a Lt. Governor and our own DEBBIE SCHEIBEL became Lt. Governor Elect. Special guests included ROY TALLEY and his wife. Roy is the Governor of CAL-NEV-HA District. Many past Lt. Governors were present including one of our previous members, HAL BENVENISTE.

The pictures below tell the story.



Debbie receives a Club award from Gov. ROY TALLEY



Debbie receives her Lt. Gov. Elect pin from Lt. Gov GEORGE HALLAK

# 2008-2009 Officers, Board

## Directors

ALAN MORRISON  
 RICH POWERS  
 Dr. JERRY ROODZANT  
 MARK ROYSTON  
 PAT RUIZ  
 DAVE TAYLOR  
 JACK MIRANDA

Membership  
 ALAN MORRISON  
 Program  
 Dr. JERRY ROODZANT  
 Publicity  
 LOU PILTZ  
 Ways & Means  
 REED TAYLOR  
 Youth Services  
 RICH TRUJILLO  
 Sunshine  
 RUFFO ESPINOSA  
 Scholarship  
 LOU PILTZ  
 Spiritual Aims  
 Dr. MIKE WINTER  
 Sponsored Youth  
 JOHN TOVAR  
 Fire Truck Chief  
 REED TAYLOR  
 Archives Chairman  
 REED TAYLOR

## Committee Chairs

Kiwanis Education &  
 Bulletin  
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 Greater Years

House & Reception.  
 SHERRY BRAKEBILL  
 Interclub's  
 TONY ARMAS  
 Major Emphasis  
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**President**  
**DEBBIE SCHEIBEL**  
**President Designate**  
**Dr. JERRY ROODZANT**  
**President Elect**  
**STEVE FORSTER**  
**Treasurer**  
**SHERRY BRAKEBILL**  
**Secretary**  
**Dr. MIKE WINTER**  
**Immed. Past Pres.**  
**GERALD PEEBLER**  
**Lt. Gov. Div. 30**  
**Shirley MCCRACKEN**  
**Lt. Gov. Designate**  
**GEORGE HALLACK**  
**Lt. Governor Elect**  
**DEBBIE SCHEIBEL**  
**Key Club President**  
**Patricia Yoo**

## 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 □  
 Evening Meeting ◇

## SEPTEMBER 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			

## OCTOBER 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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

~~September 19-Knabe Katch~~ (On Hold)  
 October 1- New Term Begins, Monthly Evening Meeting  
 October 8-Bingo at Imperial  
 October 15-Bingo at Mirada Hills

**Birthdays:** Sept. 4-ALAN NAKAMURA, Sept. 5-ALAN MORRISON, Sept. 6-HARLAN COMEE, Sept. 9-TOM THORNTON, Sept. 12-DEBBIE SCHEIBEL, Sept. 20-CHRIS ST APLES, Sept. 20 GERALD PEEBLER, Sept. 24-Dr. RICK BEE, Sept. 26-STEVE JONES, Sept. 26-Dr. JERRY ROODZANT

**Anniversary:** September 5-MARK ROYSTON, September 6-GENE GLEASON, September 9-ANDREW LOMBARDO., September 30-JIM MCGIRR,

**50/50 Drawing** was won by Dr. JERRY ROODZANT and donated to the Jesse's School Foundation.

### Calendar-Regular Meetings

Every Wednesday Morning

7:15 AM Gateway Holiday Inn

Monthly Evening Meeting-First Thursday  
 Volunteer Center Suite 4 (11900 La Mirada Blvd.)

7:00 PM

Board Meeting

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