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Kiwanis Club of Burbank

Musings of the Nov. 15, 2017 meeting
Spotlight #7 "Kids Need Kiwanis"

Words of Wisdom

"Only if we understand can we care. Only if we care will we help. Only if we help shall all be saved." *Jane Goodall*

Nutrition Program

Nov. 29 – Harvey & Luis
Dec. 6 – Nicole & Lisa
Dec. 13 - ? & ?

Invocation and Pledge

Nov. 29 – Don & Cynthia
Dec. 6 – Pam & Linda
Dec. 13 – Diane & Bryan

Upcoming Speakers

11/29 – Dr. Raul Mena, - "Our New Cancer Center"
12/6 – Burbank High Ensemble for Orchestra –
Justin Koltzie, director
12/13 – Burbank High Vocal Dept. – Brett Carroll,
director

Presiding Officers

Nov. 29 – 2nd VP Pam
Dec. 6 – Pres. Lisa
Dec. 13 – 1st VP Luis

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Dec. 2 & 9 – Red Kettle Days @ Fry's
Dec. 7 – Inter-club at Northridge Kiwanis
Dec. 7 – Hometown Heroes, La Canada CC
Dec. 14 – Christmas Party, Pickwick Gardens
Dec. 27 – Rose Bowl Float food prep & serve

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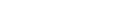
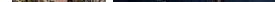


Pres. Lisa called the meeting to order at 12:30. Linda offered the invocation and Steve lead the pledge, noting that the flag is a symbol of hope. We all sang



"America the Beautiful", as Charissa played (*thank you Charissa for sitting in at the last minute because of Sam Sr's absence due to his fall*) and we shook hands with someone who attended the veteran's day celebration! Steve announced that the bell looks bad as well, as noted by Pres. Lisa, so he will spruce it up, so that it looks as nice as the podium.

GUESTS - Beverly Rutkin (Steve), Carmel Mims (Harvey), Marcus Martin (prospective member – found us on meet up! Hope to see you back on the 22nd), Luz Alejandre (Harvey), and keyclubbers Steve Tan, Brendon Chow, Emily Haykouplan, Briana Leslie, Eilelen Krazanian, Lilia Navasavlian, Rebecca Gasper, Sergey Yengojon, Gabrielle Toctor, and Sarah Hirano.



Chuck and Bob delivered meals to shut-ins, but they weren't yet in attendance when we asked for numbers!

ON-THE-SPOT: No one this week

Birthdays – Bryan came forward and we sang to him as he paid.

Anniversaries – None



THE SPOTLIGHT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kelli announced another inter-club at the DCM next Tuesday at 6PM – dinner and 7 PM meeting. A number of members indicated that they will attend.



Dr. Bruce invited us to attend the Hometown Heroes event. Mickey DePalo is one of the honorees and we know him from 'Hands Across the Bridge'. (See Page 3 on-line for details)

Luis announced that UME is collecting toys for baskets for Janet Diehl's group. There will be a 'World Kinder Rescue Day' on Sunday Dec. 3 at the Colony Theatre at 7PM.



Doug announced he will be visiting the Simi Valley KW club for the Literacy Club.



Charissa announced Burbank Singing Star date of April 22 and that the committee will meet after the meeting today.



Rebecca reported on the BHS KeyClub events and trainings.



Wally presented Steve \$250.00 for KCAC from the Kiwanitas.

Our own member Steve came to the podium (newly spruced up) to updateae us about KCAC, which stands for "Kiwanis Cares About Kids." One hundred percent (100 %) of donations go direct to the needy families.

It all began in 1997 when Steve read a story in the Burbank Leader about the tragic death of Sharon Luz, and injured good samariton Agustin Luz. Sharon's 3 children witnessed the tragic incident! The Luz-McPherson Relief Fund was created.



The club supported Agustin through 4 operations and food for 7 weeks. At that time Steve approached the club members, and asked the Board to support the project. He followed up with letter to friends and local businesses for

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Kiwanitas – Next meeting is Wednesday, Dec. 6 at the Smoke House @ 11:30AM. RSVP to Alice Higginbotham at 818-842-9925 or higgi4007@aol.com



financial help, as well as the Burbank Leader. Within a short time, food certificates and monthly checks went to the Luz and McPherson families. That help continued until June 7, 2000, including help to find a family who adopted all 5 of the McPherson kids.

KCAC was approved in February, 2003 by the Board of Directors.

Since that time it has supported Mike Hele and his daughter with more than \$17,000.00, including finding adoptive parents for Allison after her father passed from inoperable cancer. Another single parent cancer victim helped was Dawn Azabo with Jacob. She was supported for 14 months until she recovered. Others helped were a boy who never slept in a bed before we brought one to him, an affordable apartment for a grandmother and 2 grandchildren, and a funeral service for a 16-year-old boy killed in No. Hollywood. Steve mentioned individual members who helped with specific families. Even as he sat at his wife Elaine's bedside at the hospital, Steve responded to a woman in need.

Steve recounted his experience as a young boy coming to America and stated he wants to give back to those who made his life possible.



Lisa thanked Steve, but did not give him a fine china mug – he chose Caesar's 50/50 and he donated it to KCAC. (*Thank you Caesar!!*).

Linda told of a project she is leading in which she is providing turkeys and her source dried up. She passed a bucket – and counted more than enough \$\$\$ to cover her needs. (*Thank you Kiwanians!*)



We adjourned at 1:30 PM to Hail Kiwanis!

Member Profile

'I am a female and have been a member since 1988. I am a past president and Past Lt. Gov. I was sponsored by Bill Dehager



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Other Kiwanis Facts

FINES!!

"New Kiwanians in the increasingly rare clubs that 'fine' their members are often mystified by the idea of fining', states the author of 'Kiwanis is a Verb'. (*Editor's Note: I do not agree!*)

It is the duty of the presiding officer to 'read' his/her members. There are many ways to 'fine'. Let's face it, some members enjoy the art of mischief just to be fined. It is the interactive 'game' of giving a few dollars to the 'kitty'. It should be part of the 'fun' of Kiwanis. However, if it becomes abusive, that is not the 'fun' of Kiwanis.

At Burbank Noon a few members enjoy 'acting up' just to pay a fine – it is their game – and, it is fun. But, other members choose not to play the game and they should not be made to engage.

Fines are generally self-imposed. Some clubs set aside a time in each meeting when members can boast as they hand \$\$ bills to the 'Sergent at Arms'.

(In Burbank Noon, we do this as 'happy/sadds – yes, with 2 dd's).

Q: What happens to the money raised from fines?

Since the money comes from club members and not the public, the club has considerable discretion over how the money may be used. The money is deposited into the club's

'Administrative Account', which may be used in any way the club's Board of Directors decides is beneficial to the club.

In the end, it is a path for members to help with the administrative expenses that are not covered by dues.

Hometown Heroes

The Verdugo Hills Council Boy Scouts of America



Christmas Chanukah Holidays

Our Annual Kiwanis Christmas Party will be on Thursday, December 14th at 6:00 pm at the Pickwick Gardens ([1001 Riverside Drive, Burbank](#)) same as last year.

The cost is \$ 50.00 per person Your choice of Beef, Salmon or Vegetarian.

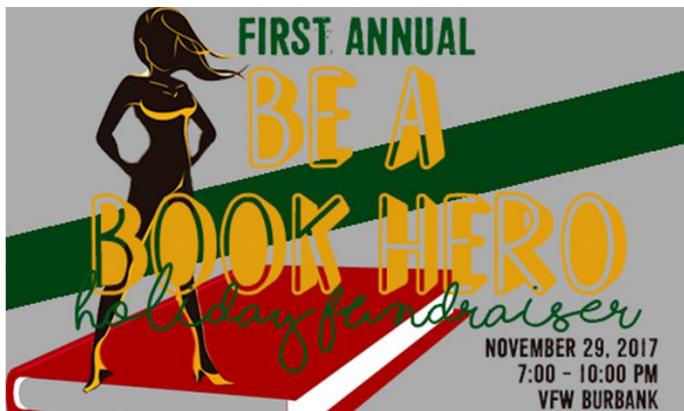
Sign up sheet will be going around for the next 3 weekly club meetings.

Please email Stephen Veres (sveres@bcs-cards.com) if you have not yet signed up and the selection of your Dinner choices.

Please bring Cash or Check to the meeting or mail it to Steve's house.

Looking forward to another fun party like last year.

Division 16 Events



The Kiwanis Literacy Club of SoCal
1st Annual BE A BOOK HERO™ Project 20/20 Holiday Fundraiser

WHEN: Wed Nov 29th 7-10pm

WHERE: VFM Burbank 1006 W Magnolia Blvd, Burbank, CA 91506

EVENT GOAL: \$2,000 (2 libraries + books)

PARTICIPATE IN PERSON OR ONLINE

- \$10 entry (includes 2 silent auction tickets or 1 new kids book)
- Silent Auction
- 50/50 Drawing

ONLINE PARTICIPATION:

It's easy go to <https://squareup.com/market/the-literacy-club>, buy your tickets & we will send you your numbers via email. You designate what items you want to bid on via email, text or Facebook Messenger. Or items can be selected randomly. Winners we notified via email. For more details or questions, please contact jean@theliteracyclub.org

The Objects of Kiwanis

The six permanent Objects of Kiwanis International were approved by Kiwanis club delegates at the 1924 Convention in Denver, Colorado. Through the succeeding decades, they have remained unchanged.

- **Object 1** - To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- **Object 2** - To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- **Object 3** - To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- **Object 4** - To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- **Object 5** - To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
- **Object 6** - To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and Goodwill