



Kiwanis Club of Loma Linda Valley

VOL. 1 NO. 7

www.kiwanis.org/club/lomalinda

8 NOV 2005

Meeting Notes:

Invocation: Amos Isaac

Flag Salute: George Johnston

Song: Tom Crowley: "America"

Guests: None

InterClub: None

Secretary: Dues are due

Treasurer: A special sub account was set up in the service account to handle the Key Club funds, The Key club treasurer will keep a separate ledger on their Key Club expenditures. The account will be monitored by the Loma Linda Club treasurer.

Announcements:

- **New Members:** Don't forget to sign aprons of Ann and Carin. Only oneweek remaining.
- **Manny:** The Key Club will distribute eight food baskets to appropriate families for this Thanksgiving. They will be collecting nonperishable food donations. Frozen turkeys and pumpkin pies will be accepted and placed in the school freezer. Details on donations of food will be announced at the next meeting. The Key club also voted to help in the food line at the Salvation Army on Thanksgiving morning. The Key Club members raised \$150 from the car wash.
- **Amos Isaac:** Tutors are needed to help the children with their homework. This can be accomplished between the hours of 3-6 PM at the school. He is working with the Principal to establish guidelines
- **Cindy:** Volunteers needed for the annual bicycle/helmet giveaway at the Arrowhead Stadium on Sunday at 12:30. Thanks to increased efforts this year, more bicycles were donated than last year. It is a really great event and fun too. Also, fundraising activities were revisited, especially as to Kiwanis Peanut Day, car show, banquet.
- Victoria School: Candy rolls will be made again this year by club members lead by John and Gay. the little gifts will be distributed to the children at one of their holiday parties. The goal is to make 1000 gifts, and volunteers are needed. the group voted to fund the effort and \$200 was set aside for the purchase of the basic materials. Gay stated that the hundreds of books are still being sorted for appropriateness for the school children and labels have been printed with the logo "Donated by Kiwanis of Loma Linda." The books will be cleaned up and a label attached before distribution. Volunteers are desperately needed.
- **Happy Dollars:** For the speaker, a beautiful day, just to be alive and a Kiwanian, our guests.

Weekly Speaker: Jacqueline White: Saving our troubled youth



Ms. Smith, a member of the PAL Charter School faculty, has been awarded a grant from the Workforce Investment Act Program that provides financial support for salvaging the lives of disadvantaged, disenfranchised youth. She related several stories of how school dropouts, unwed youth parents, and those released from jail have had their lives turned around and redirected to a more meaningful existence. The organization emphasizes teaching these participants much needed social skills. The youth often do not

know how to interact appropriately in society due to sometimes indescribably horrible life experiences. They are taught the basics like how to talk the language of business, how to address appropriately for the workplace, how to write resumes, and how to interact with people. Ms. White stated that she is constantly reminded of just how deficient these people are in legal everyday survival skills. They do come with all sorts of street smarts, but of the wrong kind, the type that if not changed, will keep them shackled to a life of trouble and grief. How much better it would be to save these young people at this stage in their lives, rather than have to pay for their jail cells in the future. Ms. White, who was clearly emotionally involved in her work, sometimes had to hold back tears as she described the hardships and successes that she has witnessed amongst her clients. Ms. White is truly one of those unsung heroes, of which there are many in our society, who are helping our youth improve their lives. She had a captive audience. We hope that Ms. White can visit us again and share more of her fine efforts on behalf of the youth in our area.

ALERTS:

- Board Meeting, 7 AM Mimi's, on Nov 17
- Mark your calendars now for 3 Jan 2006 when the Lt. Gov. will be attending our meeting.

What is Kiwanis?

The defining statement of Kiwanis:
"A global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time."

When asked what Kiwanis is, the response should be the statement above. It should be memorized by all club members and shared with others.

November birthdays Congratulations!

- Evan Winter
- Cindy Williams
- Gay Shenton

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Ken Daly

President-Elect: Tom Crowley
2nd President-Elect: Evan Winter
Past Presidents: Dr. Leonard Sigdestad; Manny Aranda

Secretary: Pat Ralston -
pjalsto@aol.com

Treasurer: Tom Crowley

Board of Directors:

Walter Byrns
Stephanie Byrns
Richard Elshof
Ron Griffin
Cindy Williams
Amos Issac
Jack Katzman
Kurt Meyer
Karen Pogue

Interclub Schedule:

Nov 15: Redlands Noon

Visit Other Clubs in the Area

Monday:

Colton--Women' s Club 6:15 PM

Tuesday:

Greater S.B.--Mitla' s 7 AM

Big Bear--Blue Whale--Noon

Fontana--Big Apple--Noon

Redlands--Masonic Temple--Noon

Rialto--Sizzler--6:45 PM

Wednesday:

Yucaipa Valley--Hickory Ranch--6:45 AM

Redlands Morning--Redlands Academy--6:50 AM

E. Rialto--El Rancho Verde--7 AM

Inland Center--Denny' s 7 AM

San Bernardino--Raddison--Noon

Thursday:

Highland--Maria' s 7 AM

Redlands Eve.--Elks Club--6:30 PM

Friday:

Cooley Ranch--Bluff' s 7 AM

Victoria School Halloween

Thanks to the efforts of Gay and John, the 2nd graders had a wonderful time selecting books as



Time for flu vaccinations

Thousands of flu vaccines are arriving in Kiwanis communities across the United States this month as clubs gear up for **THRIVE** vaccination events.

Vaccination is the final step in the three-prong approach to the Young Children: Priority One campaign "Tackling the Health Risk of Influenza with Vaccination and Education" (THRIVE).

In previous months, US clubs received kits that packaged materials and information for three types of campaigns. Clubs can use the kits to educate members and their families about the flu and preventative measures. They can build awareness within their communities. And they can host vaccination clinics.

November is a prime time to follow up on the educational projects with a vaccination event. Some groups of people, such as the elderly, very young, and very ill, are more at risk than others, but flu vaccination is a good idea for everyone.

"People need to get vaccinated even if their Kiwanis club is not

hosting a flu information or vaccination event," says Elizabeth Warren, Kiwanis International service programs manager. "After all, the point of this program is health as well as service to the community."

Kiwanis awaits tax reclassification decision

If Kiwanis is approved for reclassification from 501c4 to 501c3 tax status, US clubs will see these positive results:

- * A portion of member dues would become tax-deductible.

- * Clubs would become charitable organizations eligible to receive charitable, tax-deductible contributions from businesses, organizations, and individuals.

- * Clubs would be eligible for non-profit postage rates and vendor discounts on goods and services.

- * Clubs may be exempt from state sales tax (varies depending on state laws).

- * Clubs would become eligible for grants from other 501c3 organizations.

Procedures are under way for Kiwanis' change to 501c3 tax classification. Currently on file with the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) are Kiwanis' original reclassification application and, most recently, a group-exemption letter encompassing the districts that have approved tax reclassification. If Kiwanis' application is approved, the districts included in the group exemption letter will be reclassified as 501c3, effective October 1, 2005. Districts not included in the initial filing will not be eligible for 501c3 until October 2006.

Send Kiwanis International changed articles, bylaws, a signed copy of the group exemption authorization letter, and a signed copy of the responsibilities and requirements of becoming a 501c3 document.

However, they should not take action until instructed by Kiwanis International.