



Kiwanis Club of Loma Linda Valley

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Meeting Notes:

Invocation: John Turner

Flag Salute: Ken Daly

Song: Tom Crowley "God Bless America"

Guests: None

InterClub: None

Secretary: Dues are due; complete monthly Service Record

Treasurer: No report

Announcements:

- **President:** Bob Erikson featured in the Yucaipa newspaper; the annual bowlathon for the Special Olympics will take place in January 2006, details later; March 11, 2006 is Total K Day and the Division suggested a unifying theme of child safety, but our club is not necessarily obligated to do this and members are encouraged to suggest other projects; electronic fingerprinting is now required of all of those participating at the PAL Center, the cost is \$40 and will be offset by the club administration account; a popular fundraiser in the past has been the collection of ink cartridges for recycling, Ken volunteered to use space in his workshop to store the ink until
- **Walt:** The Key Club distributed the Thanksgiving food baskets and they were well received. Walt related that two of the turkeys avoided consumption since they became defrosted in the non-functioning freezer and created such a stench that they were quickly disposed.
- **DCM:** 14 December 2006 at Shandin Hills; do not make a reservation without paying. To avoid confusion, the club president will pay with one check representing those who already paid for the meal via the club treasurer.
- **Yucaipa Club:** Members will be going on a weekend "Mystery Cruise." The club will have its annual float in the Yucaipa Christmas Parade on 10 Dec 2005 beginning at 11:30 AM. Come help decorate the float on 9 Dec at the Sheriff's station parking lot.
- **Keven:** The Salvation Army Thanksgiving dinner went well with 7 Kiwanians and their families participating; The meals were served to 250 people and completed in a little over one hour.
- **John Turner:** Sunday, 11 Dec 2005 is the annual Candlelighters Christmas Party to serve those children whose lives have been affected by cancer. This year it will be held at Drayson Center and setup time is 1 PM and the party runs from 2-6 PM. The children had a great time last year, making name bracelets and necklaces. John bought a photo printer to provide an additional activity of instant photos of the children and their families for which the children can then make their own creative frames. Members agreed to fund the cost of ink and paper.
- **Gay:** Thus far, 850 candy rolls have been completed, with the goal of 1000. The Victoria School children completed their rolls on last week. The little gifts will be distributed at Christmas time via Santa Claus.
- **Happy Dollars:** Serving Thanksgiving meal to Salvation Army rehab members and their families, the upcoming Yucaipa Club "Mystery Cruise"; Newsletter; the speaker.



Weekly Speaker: Bob Erikson: Strategic Planning and Club As-

Our own Bob Erikson was tasked by the club president to discuss the benefit of strategic planning and to perform a brief club self-evaluation. According to Bob, it is very important for Kiwanis, or for any organization for that matter, to do at least basic strategic planning. If a club does not have a vision or mission statement and does not have obtainable goals and objectives, then it lacks structure and purpose and is at risk of losing its focus and organization. At present, our club does not have a strategic plan. One of the first steps to take in establishing such a plan is to do a member assessment. In this way, valuable information can be collected as to how the members feel about the club and if the club structure and activities are meeting the members' needs. If the club is allowed to go adrift,

then it is doomed to failure, as new members drop out, and old members stop attending meetings. A wise man once admonished, "build your ark before it begins to rain!" An oft cited reason that members give for leaving the club is lack of time. This is usually a thinly veiled excuse for lack of fun, feeling left out of the club activities, and perhaps left out of the club "clique." If the club and its activities do not fulfill the needs of the membership, then some members will all of a sudden have "lack of time." Thus the need for a strategic plan and club assessment. Bob recommends the book "Who Moved my Cheese?" as required reading. Bob will tabulate the results and present them at the meeting on 24 January, 2006.

December Birthdays

- Jeffrey Allen
- Tom Crowley
- Leonard Sigdestad

ALERTS:

- Mark your calendars now for 3 Jan 2006 when the Lt. Gov. will be attending our meeting.
- Yucaipa Club: The club will have its annual float in the Yucaipa Christmas Parade on 10 Dec 2005 beginning at 11:30 AM. Come help decorate the float on 9 Dec at the Sheriff's station parking lot.

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Ken Daly

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

Secretary: Pat Ralston -
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Treasurer: Tom Crowley

Board of Directors:

Walter Byrns	Leonard Sigdestad
Stephanie Byrns	John Turner
Richard Elshof	Jeff Allen
Ron Griffin	Sheila Kenny
Cindy Williams	Kurt Meyer
Amos Issac	

December 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 <i>Mike Block: Child Protective Services</i>	7 <i>Pearl Harbor Day</i>	8	9	10
11	12	13 <i>TBA</i>	14 <i>DCM Shandin Hills Shandin</i>	15 <i>Board Meeting</i>	16	17
18	19	20 <i>Peg Karsick: LL CC</i>	21	22	23	24
25 <i>Christmas</i>	26 <i>Hanukkah</i>	27 <i>NO MEETING</i>	28	29	30	31

Interclub Schedule 2006:

Too be announced

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

29 November 2005- Walt Byrns Joins the exclusive BLAZER CLUB

A navy blue blazer is presented to those club members who have donated at least \$1000 towards funding the pediatric trauma fellowship. The goal is \$186,000 to keep the program operative. A big Thank You to Walt. Bob Erikson presented the blazer to Walt.

