



# Kiwanis®

## CLUB OF LONG BEACH

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### Kiwanis Objects

**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 cooperate** in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill.



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FOR INFORMATION**



**WEBSITE**

<http://www.kiwanislongbeach.org>

**NEXT MEETING (MIXER)**

**February 28 , 2020**

**5 - 7 P.M.**

**MIXER**

**JADE RESTAURANT**

**02, 20, 2020, 2020 COMING UP!**



**JOIN US !**



**LONG BEACH KIWANIS  
MIXER**

**Food/Drinks  
FEBRUARY 25, 2020  
TUESDAY  
5 -7 P.M.**

**AT**

**JADE RESTAURANT**

**On the Water**

**6380-A Pacific Coast Highway**

**Long Beach, CA 90803**

**MARINA PACIFICA**



"Give whatever you are doing and whoever you are with the gift of your attention."

## Kiwanis Education Spotlight

### MUSIC AND THE COMEDIAN

While winters on the central coast of California are far from harsh, they can be chilly for young children trying to soak up knowledge. The Aktion Club of Santa Maria decided to step in. Thanks to a US\$3,000 grant from Santa Maria Kiwanis for Kids Inc., the nonprofit arm of the Santa Maria Kiwanis Club, the 25 Aktion Club members were able to organize and fund a new-coat program for children at Robert Bruce Elementary School.

The need was great: School staff identified more than 120 students — from kindergartners through fifth graders — who arrived at school each day without a jacket. Aktion Club members took to the internet and found the necessary supplies at a wholesale club, then worked with the Robert Bruce Mentor Program to organize the giveaway. In mid-December, the young recipients not only received their new coats, but also coloring books and crayons, all provided by the Aktion Club. It wasn't the first act of service by this club, which was established in 2001. Throughout the years, members have raised more than \$200,000 to support community projects.

## Kiwanis Kalender

2020

May 3 - District Governor's visit  
in Santa Monica  
June 18-21 - International  
Convention (ICON)  
In Indianapolis  
Aug. 13-16 - DCON

## FUTURE MEETINGS 2020

Feb. 25 - Mixer @ JADE  
May 13 - InterService Club  
Luncheon CSULB

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## SERVICE PROJECTS 2020

Feb. 22 - Plant Trees in the  
West Long Beach  
Mar. 14 - Plant Trees  
Mar. 25 - Bingo  
May 16 - Tree Planting  
American Gold Star  
Manor


PLEASE SEE PG. 6 FOR MORE  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

## BOARD MEETING

BOARD MEETINGS WILL  
NORMALLY BE HELD ON THE  
2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH,  
UNLESS A HOLIDAY, AT THE  
YMCA, NO REGULAR MEETING

Next Meeting Mar. 10,  
2020

## February 2020

Su	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12		14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	MIX ER	26	27	28	29

## Veteran's Bingo Schedule

3/25; 7/15; 9/16; 11/25

Volunteer to help Older Veteran men and women who are either mentally or physically impaired. Volunteers are needed to: Hand out cash prize awards; Set up the food—pizza is delivered; Serve refreshments—soda, coffee, candies; Work the room answering questions of bingo play. Bingo is held at the Veteran's Hospital Nursing Facility 7th and Bellflower, Long Beach.

6:15—8:30 pm

**FLASH**

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Long Beach Kiwanis Club Foundation**



**LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE SAEFTY HOUSE**

# SPECIAL PROJECTS YOUR TURN TO BE INVOLVED

**NOTE: !!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**LYDIA HOUSE, March 12, 2020; 2nd Thur. every month**

**NEED VOLUNTEERS !!!!!!!!!!!!!**

We again will provide and serve dinner to the ladies and their children at the Lydia House shelter, 22 + women and 9 children. **To participate contact Sun Sun Lin** (our Lydia House Chair)  
[sunsun3008@yahoo.com](mailto:sunsun3008@yahoo.com)

Salvation Army volunteer opportunity sorting and storing food from **FOOD FINDERS**. We would like to make this an ongoing service project on the third Monday of each month from 10am - noon. Contact Melinda at [Melinda.lankford@usw.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Melinda.lankford@usw.salvationarmy.org) if interested, a signup sheet will also be at each meeting.

The Salvation Army's free 6-month **ADULT REHABILITATION CENTER** here in Long Beach is looking to get the word out to local service groups to make sure everyone knows they can recommend people to our drug and alcohol rehabilitation program. We are just making sure everyone is aware of this resource.

**NEED CHILDREN'S BOOKS** to present to the Children's Clinic in honor of our weekly speakers.

## OUR CLUB IN ACTION

**NOTE:**

**CASH for CHANGE PROGRAM**

Previous weeks collections were \$17.94

Many thanks to all who contributed this amount  
toward our budgeted charitable service in the community.

**(TOTAL 2019-2020: \$120.86)**



**Meeting Notes for February 18, 2020 (thanks to Pam Dingwell for taking notes during the meeting)**

The invocation was given by Melinda Lankford, Bob Stewart led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Rob Nichols, on the piano once again, led us in singing God Bless America. President Don presided.

**Guests**

Myra Kremen (Bixby Knolls Kiwanis Club); Jackie Acosta (Carson Kiwanis Club).

**Announcements/Service Project Reports**

President Don reminded us of the new regular giving program to support our Foundation.

A mixer will be held Tuesday, February 25 at Jade.

Myra Kremen invited everyone to come bowl on March 24 at Cal Bowl.

Jackie Acosta invited everyone to participate in the Carson club's St. Patrick's Day Raffle - \$100/ticket.

Please contact David Armes (wdavidarmes@gmail.com) if you are interested in offering an invocation.

**Gavel/Happy-Sad \$\$ carried by Rob Nichols**

Pin fines for those not wearing their Kiwanis pin.

Happy \$ from Sarah Soriano – she just gained twin grandsons!

Happy \$ from Myra Kremen – happy to have Rob Nichols back in the fold after a scary health issue; thank you to everyone for supporting the Bixby Knolls club events.

Happy \$ from Phil Appleby for Rob's return.

Happy \$ from David Armes for Rob's return.

Happy \$ from Pat Brown for having Jackie Acosta at the meeting (he was her Kiwanis sponsor).

Info \$ from Norm Rasmussen – he brought copies of the Bar Association's voter guide on judges.

**Program**

Chair of the Day David Reed introduced Michael Iturralde from the LA Co. Registrar/Recorder's office to tell us all about the new voting procedures and voting machines.

**50-50 Drawing**

Cash and a bottle of wine won by Phyllis Barrett. Myra Kremen won an additional bottle of wine courtesy of the Budais.

**Next Meetings:** Tuesday, February 25, 2020: No lunch meeting – Evening mixer at Jade.

Tuesday, March 3, 2020: Lunch meeting with speaker.

Tuesday, March 10, 2020: No lunch meeting/Board Meeting at YMCA.

Tuesday, March 17, 2020: Lunch meeting with speaker.

Tuesday, March 24, 2020: No lunch meeting – Evening bowling with BK Kiwanis.

**HAIL KIWANIS!**

**PRES DON, SPEAKER ITURRALDE, AND  
PROGRAM CHAIRMAN DAVE REED**



## Our 2019 - 2020 Leadership Team

### 2019-2020 Club Officers

President: **Don Budai**  
President-Elect: **Open**  
Immediate Past President: **Pat Paris Appleby**  
V. P. of Committees: **Bob Stewart**  
V. P. of Membership: **David Reed**  
V. P. of Administration: **Pam Dingwell**  
V. P. of Service: **Rick Pinson**  
Secretary: **Andrea Sulsona**  
Assistant Secretary: **Sue Baker**  
Treasurer: **Bob Dillon**  
Assistant Treasurer: **Sun-Sun Lin**

### Foundation Officers

President: **Dave Reed**  
Treasurer: **Bob Dillon**  
Secretary: **Andrea Sulsona**

### Foundation Board of Directors Club Officers

### Club Board of Directors

**Sun-Sun Lin, Rick Pinson**  
**Liz Hernandez, Maria Elena Rincon, Manuel Campos**

### Endowment Fund Trustees

Chair: **Eric Hartman**  
Treasurer: **Bob Dillon**  
**Sue Baker, Don Budai, David Armes, Pat Appleby**

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### JOKE OF THE WEEK

God is sitting in heaven when a scientist says to Him... "God, we don't need you anymore. Science has finally figured out a way to create life out of nothing - in other words, we can now do what you did in the beginning."

"Oh, is that so? Tell Me," replies God.

"Well," says the scientist, "we can take plain dirt and form it into the likeness of you, and breathe life into it, thus creating man."

"Well, that's very interesting... show me," says God. So the scientist bends down to the earth and starts to mold the soil into the shape of a man.

"No, no, no..." interrupts God, "Get your own dirt."



**HERE'S WHERE IT  
ALL STARTED**



## LONG BEACH KIWANIS MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

For those of you who read the BUILDER and are not members, please consider offering your, and/or your company services, as you are able, to participate in any of our Club's Community Service Projects through-out the year. This is an opportunity for you to support the youth of our community.

We would welcome your participation in our Projects if it is not feasible for you and/or you company to join the Long Beach Kiwanis (oldest continuous Kiwanis Club west of the Mississippi).

Please contact: **KiwanisLB@aol.com** to **VOLUNTEER OR JOIN**.

Get Ready to help children and families in your community? Ready to change the world?  
Kiwanis is ready for you!

Try these tips for contacting the Long Beach Kiwanis club:

**Visit our club.** Ask about visiting a Kiwanis meeting—or offer to speak at a meeting. It's an excellent way to learn about Kiwanis, make contacts and let Kiwanis members know more about you. Explore Kiwanis culture. Kiwanis clubs are volunteer-based. Traditionally, club meetings take place once a week and offer an atmosphere of fun, learning and fellowship. Kiwanis members typically volunteer each month to assist with club service projects. In a typical year, Kiwanis clubs worldwide organize more than 150,000 service projects—both locally and globally—and Kiwanis members dedicate more than 12 million hours of service

The following are categories of membership to offer to prospective members. New categories are designed to offer membership opportunities to younger professionals who might not yet be able to carry the full cost of active membership. Another new category offers an opportunity for an “on line” membership with no meeting requirement, but providing service relationship with the club and to be insured as members when they participate in our service projects.

### CATEGORIES

- A. INDIVIDUAL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP
- B. FAMILY/GROUP MEMBERSHIP
- C. SERVICE MEMBERSHIP
- D. SOCIAL/VIRTUAL MEMBERSHIP
- E. CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP
- F. SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES
- G. SPONSORED MEMBERSHIP



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