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The Downtown Lions Club meets every Friday at noon at the Petroleum Club, 3636 Linden Ave., LB. Those occasions when we do not meet or meet elsewhere are noted either on the web site or this weekly bulletin.

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SUZANNE POWELL
LB ASSISTANCE LEAGUE

Over the years, the Assistance League's philanthropic programs have evolved to meet the changing needs of the community. While they currently manage 10 philanthropic programs, their signature programs are Operation School Bell® and the Orthodontic Program. In 2014-2015, they have provided uniforms to more

THE PETROLEUM CLUB
3636 Linden Ave.
562-427-7966
Presiding: PP ED BARWICK
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN
Program Arranged by:
RICH STANLEY

CLAUDIA HARDEN
COD

CLAUDIA was born in Elgin, IL and raised in Arlington Hgts. She graduated from Northwestern University with

Guests welcome!

a BS in Speech ("yes, that's what they called it then.")

than 10,000 students in the Long Beach Unified School District. They house a four-chair orthodontic office at our philanthropic center on Spring Street. Dr. Joshua Schneider and his staff annually care for approximately 1,000 patients in various stages of orthodontic care, all of whom are Long Beach Unified School District students. Their third largest program is the scholarship program. Corporate-wide, they have awarded approximately \$120,000 in scholarships, including \$16,000 for Long Beach Unified School District's music program.

In June 2015, the League is beginning a new era of leadership as they welcome Annette Kashiwabara as their first Executive Director. It will be Suzanne's pleasure to serve as the 75th President of Assistance League of Long Beach and work alongside Annette as they continue to raise awareness of the services available to young people in need.

This year, Suzanne's theme is "Giving hearts, Helping hands, Serving others". They are celebrating the member volunteers of this organization as they are the heart and soul of Assistance League of Long Beach. A "hands-on" volunteer organization, and their 950 members' very generous hearts make a difference in this community. Their four auxiliaries, Las Hermanas, Rick Rackers, CAMEO, and Assisteens®, along with our chapter members work together to provide multiple philanthropic programs.



She and PP JIM were wed in 1966 and moved to California.

Her career years were spent mostly in radio and TV including owning KNAC radio in Long Beach with JIM. She spent the last sixteen years at the Aquarium of the Pacific in their Education Department.



Claudia served on both the Boys and Girls Club Board and the Board of Cedar House. She was the first female president of the board when the Boys and Girls Club was only "The Boys Club". After serving on the Board of Directors of Cedar House, she was Executive Director for three years, guiding them from a grass roots local organization to one with a larger footprint in the child abuse treatment field in Los Angeles County. CLAUDIA has two amazing adult daughters, Jana and Julie, a sweet little dog, Clyde, and a rotten cat, Dexter, who thinks he's smarter than CLAUDIA.



Retrospective—June 26, 2015

The Petroleum Club, LINDA WESLEY WEINGARTNER presiding—her swan song. Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN. RUDY thanked the club for five more Welcome Home Kits. These go to newly arriving tenants at Villages at Cabrillo. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOL. Announcements: PP JIM HARDEN recognized the June Anniversaries and thanked them for their service. MARILYN announced that there would be no BBQ this year but we will hold a family picnic, sometime in August. Family and prospective members will be welcome. LINDA presented awards to those who missed the Dis-install: RUDY, GEOFF GATLEY and ROB (miniature piano). Tail Twister RICH STANLEY extracted Happy Bucks from PP GENE JOHNSON (granddaughter graduated from college); CHARLIE QUAIFFE eighth great-granddaughter born and ninth on the way; RUDY (signed up his first foursome for the Salvation Army golf tournament); VAL LERCH (granddaughter graduated from college); RICH (grandson is en route to Knoxville—first airplane ride); PP YOURS TRULY (granddaughter graduated from high school, the bathroom is done!);

MARILYN (LINDA's Dis-install was nicely done); PP ED BARWICK (the city removed a tree stump); JIM HARDEN (presence of RAY KELSO); LINDA (NANCY VOILS lovely table décor for Dis-install). The 50/50, run by GEOFF, was won by MYRA KREMEN. PP GEORGE MILLER JR. congratulated LINDA on her presidency, she "Did It Her Way." CLAUDIA HARDEN intro'd COD PP JIM SULLOS, recounting JIM's days as LB's "most eligible bachelor". JIM intro'd his head table of PP GENE JOHNSON, MYRA KREMEN and PP LINCOLN ODELL. JIM had some fun with questions about the Port. CLAUDIA then intro'd Doug Drummond. DOUG took us on a fine ramble from the Central Valley (you were either rich or poor, no in betweens), to LB and the Carmelitos Projects (no good role models), the paratroopers (value of exercise), the PD (learn to set priorities), Carmen Perez (Neighborhood Watch, community relations), the City Council, several boards and finally the Harbor Commission and the infamous "slow down". Doug presented a copy of *Port Town* to BARB HALLER (birthday closest to his). There was more, much more, too bad you missed it.



July 24—Pamela Power, Bixby Knolls Towers

Program Chair—RICH STANLEY
Greeter—PP LINCOLN ODELL
July 31, Kit Katz, St, Mary's Low Vision Center

MATCHING FUNDS FOR NEPAL RELIEF

Just a reminder that the club is currently matching any donation you make to LCIF for this project. Please make your check payable to Lions Clubs Foundation Inc. and indicate "Nepal Relief" on the comment line. Both amounts will apply to your PMJF. Please mail your check to Dennis Drag.

DISTRICT OFFICERS INSTALLATION

The Install will be at the Rio Hondo Event Center, 19627 Old River School Rd., 5:30PM. \$35 per person, RSVP to Cabinet Secretary NANCY MCAFFEE by July 10. **PRE-PAID ONLY, NO WALK INS.**



CALENDAR

July

- 13—Membership Committee
- 14—Board meeting
- 17—District officers Installation

August

- 4—Membership Committee
- 4—Charities Committee
- 6—CSAC
- 11—Board meeting
- 22—District meeting

September

- 1—Membership Committee
- 3—CSAC
- 4—Dark! Labor Day
- 4—Charities Committee
- 8—Board meeting

October

- 1—CSAC
- 6—Membership Committee
- 6—Charities Committee
- 13—Board meeting

November

- 3—Membership Committee
- 3—Charities Committee
- 5—CSAC
- 10—Board meeting
- 26—Thanksgiving
- 27—Dark!

December

- 1—Membership Committee
- 1—Charities Committee
- 3—CSAC
- 5—Belmont Shore parade
- 8—Board meeting
- 25—Dark! Christmas

January

- 1—Dark! New Years Day
- 5—Membership Committee
- 5—Charities Committee
- 7—CSAC
- 12—Board meeting

February

- 2—Membership Committee
- 2—Charities Committee
- 4—CSAC
- 5—7—MD4 Convention, Modesto