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are noted either on the web site or this weekly bulletin.

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Dinesa Thomas-Whitman received her Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from San Diego State University, Master's Degree in Public Policy from Pepperdine University and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from CSU, Long Beach. Dinesa's primary professional experience is in government

**PETROLEUM CLUB**  
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Presiding: PCC ROGER POWELL  
Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE  
Program Arranged by:  
STEVE HUHTA

**STEVE HUHTA**  
**COD**

STEVE was born in Redondo Beach, CA and grew up in Lomita. He moved to North Long Beach in 1999 and then to Lakewood in 2002. He moved back to Lomita in

**Guests welcome!**

2016. STEVE attended Narbonne High School in Harbor City, CA. He then went to Long Beach City College and Cal State Long Beach for a Bachelor's degree in Real Estate, Finance and Law. He also earned an MBA from CSULB. He won awards with the Students in Free Enterprise Club and Delta Epsilon Ki competitive business club. STEVE was awarded the Senate Star from LBCC for achievements while on student senate. He also garnered the Presidential Student Service award presented by then President George W Bush.



teaching political science in the Los Angeles Community College District. Dinesa is the Director of Outreach, Advocacy and Policy with the primary responsibility of veteran's outreach, neighborhood revitalization and youth programs. Veterans outreach is a large component of her duties and she currently attends veteran's events within our service area, participates in the USC Collaborative for Veteran Affairs, is developing relationships with Veterans Affairs Commissions at the county and local levels and veterans service providers with the goal of increasing Habitat LA's ability to serve those who serve.

STEVE worked in the movie industry for many years as an electrician and grip. He has managed an aftermarket Harley Davidson shop and run a live event and video production company for about 7 years. He is currently owner of Big Bob's Parts; buying selling and restoring vintage high performance auto parts.

Besides Lions, STEVE is active in the Ventura County Standdown and a Veterans committee board member in California Employers Advisory Council. He has been awarded a Veterans Advocate of the Year award for 2014.

He is in a 20+ year relationship with Cristin Harrigan.



**RETROSPECTIVE, NOVEMBER 3, 2017**

Petroleum Club, PCC ROGER POWELL presiding. ROGER, PDG JUDITH OLMSTED POWELL and PE VAL LERCH shared thoughts about our dear friend, JERRY CALIGIURI. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE. Song/salute: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOLS. ROB added Auld Lang Syne to his repertoire. Announcements: ROGER and PP MEL NUTTER are working on a process for finding a successor to JERRY. PP GARTH PHILLIPS thanked those who signed up for the Pasadena and Artesia/Cerritos visitations. GARTH also noted that both ED and Greta MACIAS are in care facilities and neither is doing well. He also noted that PP ED BARWICK is home from the hospital (back surgery) but has a long recovery period. He also has a bladder infection. MELINDA LANKFORD urged sign ups for the kettle and other Salvation Army volunteer opportunities. JUDY provided an update on the Holiday Party. Several asked about bringing toys. She suggested we bring them to the meeting

at the Salvation Army (Dec. 15). Tail Twister Judy secured Happy Bucks from herself (\$5: determined to be happy; she also shared more thoughts about JERRY); PDG DENNIS DRAG (Purdue beat Illinois); PP JIM HARDEN (JUDY is back); CLAUDIA HARDEN (needs a handy man); PP LINDA WEINGARTNER (attended four fundraisers this week); ROB (will be gone for several weeks). We then filled out a quiz about horror movies. The 50/50, run by DONNA KELLY, was won by PP MERLIN THIMLAR. We then heard from VDG JOHN NELSON (DG TESSIE is working). JOHN noted the several District projects, such as Teresita Pines that have fund raisers this time of year. He encouraged us to id one or more and get involved. Part of the LCIF strategic plan is to improve the lives of 20 million people by 2020. 2VDG GARY HALL encouraged the purchase of Rose Parade Float attire. MD4 has to provide half of the cost of the LCIF Rose float. Your help is needed. Finally, the winners of the horror movie quiz were revealed.



**Nov. 24—Dark! Thanksgiving**  
 Program Manager— STEVE HUHTA  
 Dec. 1—New Civic Center

**CALENDAR**

**November**  
 15—Board meeting  
 14—B&G Club T'giving dinner, Harte  
 16—B&G Club T'giving Dinner, McKinley  
 23—Thanksgiving  
 24—Dark

**December**  
 10—Christmas Party, LBYC, 4pm  
 12—Board meeting  
 22—Dark! Christmas  
 25—Christmas  
 29—Dark! New Years  
 31—IP Reception, Rosemead

**January**  
 1—New Years  
 5—Membership Committee  
 9—Board meeting  
 15—King Day

**February**  
 2—Student Speakers  
 6—Membership Committee  
 13—Board Meeting  
 14—Valentines Day  
 19—President's Day  
 22—Chinese Dinner and Auction

**March**  
 6—Membership Committee  
 13—Board meeting  
 16—St. Patrick's Day

**April**  
 3—Membership Committee  
 10—Board meeting  
 26—Night at the Theater

**May**  
 1—Membership Committee  
 8—Board meeting  
 25—Dark  
 28—Memorial Day

**June**  
 5—Membership Committee  
 12—Board meeting

**July**  
 3—Membership Committee  
 4—Independence Day  
 6—Dark!  
 10—Board meeting

**COMING UP...**

Nov. 14 and 16, B&G Thanksgiving Dinner.  
 Holiday Party, Dec. 10, LB Yacht Club., 4pm.  
 IP Reception, Dec. 31  
 Chinese Dinner and Auction, Feb. 22  
 Night at the Theater, April 26.

**NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

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| 8  | LEANN JOHNSON        |
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| 8  | CHRIS SABOL          |
| 8  | NANCY VOILS          |
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