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**PETROLEUM CLUB 3636 LINDEN AVE. 562-427-7966**  
Presiding: VAL LERCH  
Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFE  
Program Chair: STEVE HUHTA

**Guests welcome!**

**CLAUDIA HARDEN COD**  
CLAUDIA grew up in Arlington Heights, Illinois, a Northwest Chicago suburb. She was active in

theatre, speech and debate in high school, setting her up for her career in broadcasting. During her final year at Northwestern University she interned at several Chicago television stations where she met PP JIM HARDEN. JIM and CLAUDIA married in 1966 and moved to LA where JIM was West Coast producer of the Huntley Brinkley Report. They bought KNAC radio in 1969 and were very active in the Long Beach Community. After her radio career, CLAUDIA was hired by the new Aquarium of the Pacific, and created their public shows and tours. She is currently semi retired!



## RETROSPECTIVE, MAY 4, 2018

The Petroleum Club, VAL LERCH presiding. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIPE. Song/salute: MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOL. ROB's walk in music was a fine assortment of Mexican music, (recognizing Cinco De Mayo). Announcements: DONNA KELLY asked all to fill bags of groceries for the Salvation Army. These are special for the summer months when youngsters are not in school and not getting school delivered food. Please help! VAL reminded all of the Interservice Club meeting, the District Convention, May 19 and 20 (VAL has enrollment forms) and the Scholarship program, June 1. MARILYN reminded all of the Chinese Dinner and Auction. It will be June 14 at the Petroleum Club. Raffle prizes needed (money works too). There will be a silent auction component this year. MARILYN also announced the first BBQ planning meeting. The BBQ will be on August 11. Tail Twister CLAUDIA collected Happy Bucks from VAL (good to have former colleague Patrick O'Donnell present); MARILYN (granddaughter was awarded a \$28,000 scholarship); PP ED BARWICK (LB State in men's volleyball

national final—they won); PDG DENNIS DRAG, PP MERLIN THIMLAR and PP YOURS TRULY (all commented on the same event); PP LINDA WEINGARTNER (annual checkup blood work was all normal); RICK PINSON (going to Iowa to see a nephew graduate); MYRA KREMEN (LAUSD offered her a premium wage if she would return to the classroom, with delight she said NO!); The 50/50, run by DONNA, was won by MELINDA LANKFORD. COD MARILYN had fun and raised money with questions from the *Lion* magazine. She then intro'd Assemblyman Patrick O'Donnell. Patrick talked about the micromanaging of the classroom by the governing elite in Sacramento and the reforms that he (and others) have introduced. He is leading an effort to bring vocational teaching back to the EIHi school. Our schools are especially burdened by both poverty and low English skills. On the other hand we have the only shark research college program in the nation at CSULB. (Note: they ran out of tags last summer—a very large population indeed.) He is also trying to get Community Hospital more time.



**May 25—Dark! Memorial Day**  
 Program Manager— STEVE HUHTA  
 June 1—Scholarships!

## CALENDAR

### May

14—Salvation Army project  
 14—District Student Speakers, Bixby School, 6pm  
 16—Interservice Club meeting  
 19-20—District 4L2 Convention  
 25—Dark!  
 28—Memorial Day

### June

5—Membership Committee  
 11—Salvation Army project  
 12—Board meeting  
 14—Chinese Dinner and Auction  
 29—July 3—International Convention, Las Vegas

### July

4—Independence Day  
 6—Dark!  
 9—Salvation Army project  
 10—Board meeting

### August

7—Membership Committee  
 11—BBQ  
 13—Salvation Army project  
 14—Board meeting  
 31—Dark!

### September

3—Labor Day  
 4—Membership Committee  
 10—Salvation Army project  
 11—Board meeting

### October

2—Membership Committee  
 8—Salvation Army project  
 9—Board meeting

### November

6—Membership Committee  
 12—Salvation Army project  
 13—Board meeting  
 22—Thanksgiving

### December

4—Membership Committee  
 10—Salvation Army project  
 11—Board meeting  
 25—Christmas  
 31—New Years Eve

### January

## COMING UP...

- Interservice Club meeting, May 16
- District Convention, May 19-20
- Chinese Dinner and Auction, June 14.

## DISTRICT CONVENTION MAY 19-20

Quiet Cannon, Montebello: 9AM Saturday, Banquet Saturday night, breakfast and closing ceremony Sunday. See President VAL for application forms.

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

5	DELORES THIMLAR
9	PE VAL LERCH
11	BONNIE BARWICK
11	LESLIE DRAG
17	JOHN ROUSE
31	BARB HALLER
37	PP MEL NUTTER
37	DARRYL SEXTON

