

MADNESS NEWSLETTER — August 23, 2020

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### **Dear fellow Kiwanians**

"Eleemosynary" is a long word that has been shortened by some to alms or charity. It is humbling and thankful to be on the receiving end of those who give of their time, their prayers and their talent. John Carlin thanks you all for your support in fighting ALS. Ron Cordes showed us how. Now it is our turn. Thank you each and one of you.

Fraternally, Jim Carlin

# WHODUNNIT FINALLY SOLVED



**COLD CASE** — Pete Zimmerman and Jim Carlin along with their "gangster molls" returned a pilfered flag and bell to the Lake Forest Club and apparently narrowly avoided arrest by the Sheriff in this 2004 incident. That's Lake Forest President Dave Carter at right. Authorities asked that the women not be identified since they have been in the Witness Protection Program for more than 16 years.

## AT LAST WEEK'S MEETING...

**MEMBERS:** Bill, Michael, Sharon, Warren, Pete, Jeff, Rod, Debbie, Steph, Greg, Pat, Kathy, Ollie, Keith, Jim, Larry.

**GUESTS:** Jerry Huo, Mission Viejo High Key Club president; Anna Wu, speaker.

**SONG:** God Bless America by The King's Return selected by Rod.

PLEDGE: Warren, flag videography by Bill.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** Enthusiasm is the greatest asset in the world. It beats money and power and influence. It is no more or less than faith in action.

### -HENRY CHESTER



**PROGRAM:** Kiwanian Anna Wu shared her insights on how to hold successful events to raise money virtually including wine tasting. She has been in the Kiwanis Family for 23 years beginning in middle school. Anna also noted that getting younger members doesn't necessarily mean people in their 20s since they are often busy getting their adult lives started and don't have time for joining community service clubs.

Kiwanis International defines anyone under 50 as "younger," she noted.

### **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

 Ollie reported that Edna suffered a stroke and was in Mission Hospital/ Laguna Beach recovering. She is due back home on Sunday.



- Pete reported observing his 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 15 and wanted to commemorate the occasion by offering up a happy dollar. He amended that to say that since Judi was a part of it as well, he was upping his contribution to \$2. Later he was heard to instruct Kathy to "add a zero to that amount."
- The City of Mission Viejo is hosting Drop-and-Go Food Drives from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, August 29, September 26 and October 24 at the Norman P. Murray Community and Senior Center, 24392 Veterans Way. The drive-through events will benefit South County Outreach, Families Forward and Family Assistance Ministries (respectively), which all work to help the less

fortunate in the area. Place your donation in your trunk, drive-up, pop the trunk, and staff will collect it. You will stay in your vehicle. **Visit this flier for suggested items.** 

- Jeff purchased three hand-made wooden toy cars with Kiwanis stickers made by Ollie in his woodshop for \$35.
- There are just five weeks left to bring in a new member without having to pay International or District new-member initiation fees. Also, a reminder that any potential member who was in Key Club can have their dues waived for the first two years.
- Steph is having a knee replacement Monday so she can get back to hiking trails, but meanwhile reported she fell off a chair. Whoops!
- Anna Wu reported the website which by plants trees around the world based on the number of web searches a person makes is <a href="https://www.ecosia.org/">https://www.ecosia.org/</a>
- Anna also promoted a website that uses volunteers to make and send greeting cards to people in hospitals and to troops. <a href="https://colorasmile.org/">https://colorasmile.org/</a>