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ATTENTION MEMBERS!

SOC REVERSE RAFFLE

We would like to congratulate our 2019 Winners:

February - Jesse & Judy James and Dan & Susan Fukushima

March - Gene Murakami

April - Karen Chow

May - Marcus Fukushima

June - Richard Suzuki

July - Bob Goto

August - Yuki Iwashita and Alan Tomiyama

September Grand Prize - Don Enriques

MARCH BOARD MEETING

March Board Meeting - All new and old officers are encouraged to attend.

Date: March 5, 2020 Correction: March 6, 2020

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Silver Palace
15326 Whittier Blvd.

SOC REVERSE RAFFLE

This year again, we will have seven monthly \$500 drawings and a final drawing of \$2,500 held at next year's installation dinner. Each monthly winner's ticket will be "returned to the barrel" and is eligible to win remaining drawings. We strongly encourage each member to sell at least two tickets and forward the entire ticket to Dan Fukushima for validation. This is first fundraiser of the year, and We'd like to see the club get off to a good start. Ticket can be sold through the first monthly drawing in Mar. 2020.

It's Time for Pancake Breakfast!!!!!!

Coming up fast on April 4. Sell your tickets (coming to your mailbox soon).

LOCATION: Orange County Buddhist Church 909 S. DALE, ANAHEIM.

Need you anytime from 5 AM to 12:30PM. Looking forward to seeing all the faces-young and old. We need everyone to come out and lend a hand. There are sit-down jobs, stand-up jobs, and dirty, greasy jobs. Every year it's a success because of YOU. Thanks, in advance, for coming out and making this a great fundraising event.

Remember all of the profits go to our scholarships and youth fund dinners.

If you are interested in participating in the boutique, contact Dan 714-961-0990 or danfukushima@roadrunner.com

See you all at the breakfast. No excuses, please.

Any questions, call Dan Fukushima 714-961-0990

or email danfukushima@roadrunner.com.

Ticket Stubs, checks to: SOCF PO Box 727 Placentia, CA 92871

BOY SCOUT AND GIRL SCOUTS APPRECIATION NIGHT

March 5, 2020 - Frantone's Pizza & Spaghetti Villa

We will be honoring the Eagle Scouts in BSA Troop 578 as well as Gold Award Recipients in Girl Scout Troop 881 from the Orange County Buddhist Church. Lets all come out and support this event. The Event will be held at Frantone's Pizza & Spaghetti Villa, 10808 Alondra Blvd., Cerritos, 90703. 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Phone (562) 924-9494. This is the BSA troop that comes out to setup and take down the table and chairs for our Pancake Breakfast. Location and Date to be determined. See you there !! If interested in attending, please contact Kent Suzuki @ 562-400-0188 or knsuzuki@yahoo.com.

54th ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR YOUTH RECOGNITION NIGHT

April 23, 2020 - Knott's Berry Farm Resort Hotel

Our High School Senior Recognition Night will be held on Thursday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm. This event will be held at The Knott's Resort Hotel, 7675 Crescent Ave., Buena Park. Cost is \$30 per person with Graduates Complimentary. This is an important evening for the graduating seniors from high schools honoring those individuals. We will also be giving scholarships to some of the young men and women who will be attending college in the fall. We encourage all members and spouses to attend. Come out and enjoy an evening out. If you need further information or would like to reserve your place at this years dinner, please contact Kasie Leung at theleungs4@gmail.com or 714-260-8392, no later then April 15, 2020. **RSVP is required.**

34th ANNUAL DHH YOUTH RECOGNITION NIGHT

May 14, 2020 - Knott's Berry Farm Resort Hotel

Please come out and join your fellow club members on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at Knott's Berry Farm Resort Hotel. We will be honoring the graduating students from the University High School Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. Again, David Longo, Principle, will be conducting the colorful and emotional recognition of each student.

It is always a heartwarming event to share the joy and enthusiasm of the attending students, families and school personnel as the school year draws to a close.

We hope as many members as possible will be able to attend this event. Cost of the Event is \$30.00 pre person. Please let Stan Enomoto know if you are able to join us.

Call Stan at 714-827-9409 or stanleyenomoto@sbcglobal.net. **RSVP is required.**

53rd ANNUAL SUBURBAN OPTIMIST GOLF TOURNAMENT

May 18, 2020 - Yorba Linda Country Club

Everybody is encouraged to come out and participate in our 53rd Annual Suburban Optimist Club Golf Tournament. The Tournament is being held on Monday, May 20, 2020, at the Yorba Linda Country Club, 19400 Mountain View Ave., Yorba Linda 92886, (714) 779-2461. Cost for the Tournament is \$150. Registration is at 9:00am, Shotgun Start at 10:00am. Luncheon will be held after the Tournament is finished. Deadline for entries is May 1, 2020. Tournament Fee includes Green Fees, Range Balls, 1/2 Cart, Coffee, Prize Fund, Hole-In-One Contest, Fabulous Door Prizes and Lunch. Chairmen Miles Yano and Eiji Yoshihiro promise a great event. Those of you who are non-golfers can also participate by helping with the registration, assist on the course and record the scores. There's something for everyone.

UPCOMING SUBURBAN BUENA PARK OPTIMIST CLUB PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Attention members! We need your support and help with the upcoming programs and events. Please contact the Chairperson or Board Member if you wish to lend a helping hand.

Past President Dinner - TBD - Chairperson: Al Baez

Boy Scout and Girl Scout Appreciation - March 5, 2020 - Frantone's Pizza & Spaghetti Villa - Chairperson: Kent Suzuki

Pancake Breakfast - April 4, 2020 - OCBC - Chairperson: Dan Fukushima

High School Senior Youth Recognition - April 23, 2020 - Knott's Berry Farm - Chairperson: Kasie Leung

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Recognition - May 22, 2020 - Knott's Berry Farm - Chairperson: Stan Enomoto

Golf Tournament - May 18, 2020 - Yorba Linda Country Club - Chairpersons: Miles Yano/ Ray Okazaki

Lakewood HS DHH Luncheon - May 28, 2020

Walk The Farm - June 2020 - Tanaka Farms

Walk the Farm for Childhood Cancer - Sept. 12, 2020 - Tanaka Farms

If you wish to attend one of these upcoming programs and events, please contact Chairperson.

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

June 28 - July 1, 2020 - Chicagoland (Schaumburg, IL)

If you wish to attend this Convention, please contact Al Baez at (714) 752-3565 or miwakiwa@earthlink.net.

PAST EVENTS

OCO Mochitsuki Taikai 2019

December 22nd at Tanaka Farms, Irvine

This year celebrated the eighth annual Mochitsuki Taikai Pound Off Challenge! Our SOC team was there once again to compete and did a great job. It was a fun event for everyone ringing in the New Year with friends and family enjoying loco moco, traditional ozoni, lots of great food from the pot luck. The completed displays were judged by shape, size, uniformity and overall craftsmanship. This annual competition challenge has grown to be very large and very competitive! Many beautiful and creative kagami mochi displays (and the entry food display) were entered. Lots of thought and effort went into the creation of the entries from 48 teams from 27 different organizations, 26 adult teams, 15 youth teams and 7 OCO Family teams. The results were as follows: Adult Division 1) OCBC Board 2) OCO Board 3) tie Hollywood BC and OCO Kibou Taiko Jr Division 1) Yonsei 25 2) OCO Jr Op 8th grade 3) OCBC Jr YBA OCO Family Division 1) OCO B3 Cheetahs/Panthers 2) OCO Girl Scouts Troop 6427 3) OCO Cub Scouts. Hope you can join us next year.

Christmas Party for Boys and Girls Club of Garden Grove (BGCGG)

On December 8, 2018, SOC held its annual Christmas party for the Boys and Girls Club of Garden Grove (BGCGG). This year we held the event at a new venue, OC Church in Garden Grove. The new facility felt more festive with Christmas decorations and holiday spirit. We hosted 125 kids (infants to 17 y/o) and 40 families attended the party. This year we did not have entertainment provided by the Star Wars characters, but Santa (aka SOC President Al Baez) made his usual appearance. Thankfully, we had a good turnout from the Jr. Optimist, since our 7th grade girls team had only a handful of players available to help. The 8th grade boys team worked hard to welcome the BGCGG families and keep the kids entertained prior to dinner with games and arts and craft. The Chinese food provided by Bob @ Silver Palace was a big hit. Of course, the chili and rice prepared by Nancy Suzuki made a great appetizer for the SOC Sports kids and parents..

The BGCGG kids and their families really enjoyed themselves and felt like "guests" by being served dinner by the teams and Jr Optimist. Seeing the BGCGG kids and families smiling faces during the party and as they left is the reason we look forward to this party every year.

Thank you to Al Baez being "Santa" this year and patiently taking pictures with the families after the kids received their gifts. A big thank you to Sharon Okazaki for buying all the gifts. She manages to buy two or three gifts per child on just \$20 per child. Thank you to all the parents who lent a helping hand in the kitchen. Thank you to the Jr. Optimist for helping set up and supervise the 7th and 8th grade teams. Thank you to Mark Uyehara for buying the Christmas tree and Ellen Higa for buying the tree decorations. Thank you to Bob @ Silver Palace for providing much more Chinese food than we paid for. Thank you to Raken Mai for allowing us to share Christmas with your families. *THE BIGGEST THANK YOU GOES TO THE SOC 7th AND 8th GRADERS AND JR. OPTIMIST WHO DID A WONDERFUL JOB OF MAKING THE NIGHT SPECIAL FOR THE BGCGG FAMILIES.*

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