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ATTENTION MEMBERS!

SOC REVERSE RAFFLE

We would like to congratulate our 2013 Winners:

February - Nancy Suzuki

March - Dean Wada

YOUTH APPRECIATION NIGHT

March 14, 2013 at Mimi's Cafe, Anaheim

SOC will be recognizing the Eagle Scouts and Life Scouts, from BSA Troop 578 as well as Gold Award Recipients from Girl Scout Troop 881 on Thurs. March 14, 2013 at Mimi's Café in Garden Grove starting at 7pm. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Ed Tanaka, who has been instrumental in the development of T578 from day one. He has held numerous district positions and has received many awards for his services to the scout movement. Lets all come out and support the function. If interested in attending, please contact Bob Iwashita at (714) 527-1567.

It's Pancake Breakfast time again

This is our 44th Year!!!

Please set aside the date-April 6. Cancel all vacations, business trips, etc. Same place as always-UFCW Local 324 Southeast corner Crescent and Stanton. Need you anytime from 5 AM to 12:30PM. We need a few people on Friday also. 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 great fundraising event.

YOU SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN 2 BOOKS OF RAFFLE TICKETS. PLEASE SELL OR BUY AT LEAST 2 BOOKS. THIS IS ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISERS.

Remember all of the profits go to our scholarships and youth fund dinners. Any questions, call or email Dan 714-961-1792 danfukushima@roadrunner.com.

If you are interested in participating in the boutique, contact Al Baez miwakiwa@earthlink.net.

We are repairing the grills and equipment on Saturday, March 2 from 8:30AM at the locker. If you can make it, contact Dan.

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

APRIL BOARD MEETING

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

Date: April 3, 2013

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Silver Palace
15326 Whittier Blvd.

UPCOMING OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL QUARTERLIES

Third Quarterly - May 17-19, 2013 - Knotts Berry Farm Resort Hotel, Anaheim, CA

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

95th Optimist International Convention - July 4-6, 2013 - Duke Energy Convention Center, Cincinnati, OH

If you wish to attend one of these Quarterlies or Convention, please contact Scott Iwamoto at (626) 336-1330.

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 President Iwamoto if you wish to lend a helping hand.

Pancake Breakfast - April 6, 2013 - Chairperson: Dan Fukushima
Youth Recognition - May 2013 - TBD - Chairperson: Bob Iwashita / Stan Enomoto
Golf Tournament - May 20, 2013 - Yorba Linda Country Club - Chairpersons: Miles Yano/ Eiji Yoshihiro
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Recognition - June 2013 - Chairperson: Stan Enomoto

If you wish to attend one of these quarterlies, please contact Scott Iwamoto at (626) 336-1330.

TRI STAR COMPETITION

SOC held our annual TRI-STAR competition on January 26, Saturday @ La Serna High School. There were 31 participants competing in the passing, dribbling, and shooting skills. We had a few kids from Norwalk come out in addition to SOC. All the kids had a great time competing and received Baskin Robbins certificates for participating. Gary Fukushima, chaired the event for the first time. Thank you to the coaches and parents who helped at the event.

The top three boys and girls from each age bracket will go on to compete at the zone level competition held in Cerritos at a date TBD. Good luck to the kids who will compete at the next level.

LAUREL HIGH SCHOOL CYCLE AWARDS #3

Acknowledges students at their Third Cycle Ending Assembly held on Feb. 8, 2013. SOC recognized Brian Chia for his Fortitude, Diligence and Drive to attain his goals. Stan Enomoto presented Brian with a Certificate and \$50 on behalf of SOC. Other Certificates presented were: Attendance, Most Units Completed this Cycle and Most Improved Student this Cycle.

VALENTINE'S DINNER 2013

Twenty Adults and Four Children helped celebrate Valentine's Day at our Annual Valentines Dinner at Mimi's Café in Garden Grove. The Flag Salute was led by Ray's Daughter, Maile Okazaki to start our evening.

After dinner, Maile made a presentation about Yonsei Basketball. Her basketball skills qualified her to join the team, and will travel to Fukuoka, Japan to play exhibition games against Japanese Girls Teams. To help offset the travel expenses, each girl must raise \$3400. Maile is selling T-Shirts and Raffle Tickets as part of her fund-raising. If anyone is interested in making a donation or purchasing a T-Shirt (\$15) or Raffle Ticket (\$1), Please contact Ray Okazaki.

This is the one "Social" Event that the Club offers where the Spouse is complementary. We also provided a Bouquet of Flowers and a Heart Shaped box of See's Chocolate (Lo-Cal, Non-Fat Type... Yeah, Right!!!). It was nice to get together with the Ladies and share a nice dinner and some fun conversations. We hope that all that attended had a good time. We're sorry that many of our members couldn't attend, but understand that they represent SOC at various meetings and functions, including those for their own children.

SOC SPORTS

On December 2, 2012, the junior SEYO Basketball season started for our 2nd through 8th grade teams. SOC has 12 teams (10 boys and two girls). We held a few BBQ fundraiser (even brought the snow cone machine to serve shaved ice) during practice and raised \$750. The \$750 allowed us to invite an additional 25 Boys and Girls club kids to the Christmas Party held on December 8, 2012 @ the Garden Grove (BGCGG) facility. (see Christmas Party article). Thank you the Agnes Konya and the 3rd-grade boys team for heading the fundraiser. And a big thank to the SOC Sports families for supporting the fundraiser.

Picture day was held on December 1, 2012. The teams received their spanky new dri-fit SOC logo shirts. Each player, coach and team representative received a shirt. Thank you to Judy Kikkawa for taking the pictures and moving the photo shoot three times during the day to accommodate La Serna's unexpected use of the cafeteria. Thank you to Darryl Kawasaki for scheduling the team.

Our Spring session Little Stars program for four, five, six and seven year old girls and boys will begin April 13 through June 8 at La Serna High in Whittier on Saturdays from 11- 12:30. In the Winter session there were 39 girls and boys. Coach Jessica Chu and Coach Stacey Crowther are busy teaching the kids how to dribble, pass and shoot. A big Thank You to the 8th grade girls and boys who come out each Saturday to help coach the Little Stars.

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