

History of Kiwanis Told in Series on Service Clubs

'We Build' Motto of Kiwanians

(This is the third in a series of articles telling of the work of local service, fraternal and veteran organizations in community affairs and, in particular, the varied routes the dollar you give to charity follows in reaching the point of doing the most good, today—KIWANIS).

By JOSEPH PIATT

Early in its history, the Kiwanis adopted as its motto a phrase expressive of constructive action . . . "We Build." These words thoroughly cover the high idealism to which the members of the organization have themselves given expression in unselfish and practical service to their respective communities and nations.

Kiwanis came into being on Jan. 21, 1915 in Detroit, Mich. From that date on which the Kiwanis Club of Detroit held its first permanent organization meeting, the Kiwanis International has grown to in excess of 3700 clubs in the United States and Canada, including Newfoundland, Alaska, Yukon, and Hawaii, with approximately 220,000 members.

The achievements of the clubs in all forms of service and activities for community betterment have been most outstanding. During the year 1953, citing just one example of group activity, Kiwanians throughout the United States raised \$13,843,917.44 for Community Chest, Infantile Paralysis, Cancer, Heart, and other campaigns, hospitals, hospital facilities, and local citizenship service work. The dollar you may have contributed to the Torrance Kiwanis Club work is included in that tremendous amount.

Programs

Medical science has had little success in finding a cure for the spastic child, but thanks to the generosity of Kiwanians, a solution may be found through the establishment of the world's first spastic research foundation. "No one knows, of course," said Harry S. Himmel, chairman of the Kiwanis Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation Committee, "what will result from the five-year investigations carried on by the foundation. Those who have contributed know one thing for sure—their gifts are enabling science to fight a dreaded enemy of mankind."

Another example of Kiwanis work among children is the sponsorship of one of the world's most unusual Boy Scout troops, Youngsters confined to iron lungs at Rancho Los Amigos, victims of the dreaded polio, have been sponsored as Troop 869 of the Boy Scouts of America. Alive with enthusiasm, even though they could not pass tests like ordinary lads, these boys have been given the opportunity, by a Kiwanis club, to advance up the ladder of Scouting achievement, in spite of terrible handicaps imposed by infantile paralysis.

Local

The Torrance Kiwanis, under the able direction of their new president, John B. Scotton, last Monday voted to renew their support of Little League baseball. The club has donated a \$175 recording unit to the Chaplain's Corps in Korea, enabling servicemen to send "spoken letters" to the folks back home.

The Shoemaker School for Crippled Children in San Pedro is actively supported by the local club, while during the summer months the program of providing transportation for children to the Alondra Park pool will once more be continued. Another phase of the Torrance program is the sponsorship of a Boy Scout troop.

Objectives

The objectives of the Kiwanis have been more than carried out as exemplified by the foregoing paragraphs. Those objectives include the "creation of better communities by strengthening our homes, churches and schools." Four thousand students were given scholarship aid in 1953. Fifty-eight thousand children were provided religious education in schools, camps, etc. "Initiating and supporting activities that strengthen the physical, spiritual and moral resources of our youth" is another objective of the Kiwanis. Two hundred and thirty-four thousand Kiwanis sponsored children examined or treated in clinics, club sponsored "National Kidney Day" activities . . . 41,000 children sent to summer camps . . . more than 8,000 juvenile delinquents assisted . . . 3,526 Boy Scout, Cub Pack, Sea Scout, and Air Scout troops sponsored. I have written solid figures above, but they do tell a great



"LEARN TO SWIM" . . . is one of the advice-to-youth slogans of the local Kiwanis Club. Each year during the summer months the group provides transportation for children, typified by the above, to the Alondra Park Pool, giving hundreds the opportunity for swimming instruction.



SUMMER CAMP . . . Among service-to-club activities, one of the primary objectives of the Kiwanis clubs, are provision of funds for summer camping. Here a group of boys, among 41,000 in the nation, its territories, and Canada, sent to camps by the service groups, enjoying a day of fishing.

Hint Ruling Tomorrow on Phone Hikes

Indications yesterday pointed to a ruling tomorrow by the State Utilities Commission in the pending application for increased rates by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company. Application for the rate increase was made some time ago by the local utility on the basis that company earnings are some two percent below allowable returns set by the commission. According to company spokesmen, the company is paying dividends but not enough and continuity of the dividends is story. Was your charity dollar well spent? What, do you think? (to be continued)

Jeopardized by inadequate earnings and surplus protection. They maintain also that while the stock is selling over par it is out of line with the general market and continuously losing ground in comparison with other stocks. Credit Damaged They maintain the company has raised large amounts of new capital but not enough for all service demands, and for sound, long-range engineering and construction. In raising this new capital, they say, the financial credit and security standing of the company has been damaged. Officials also have stated in their arguments to the commission, that the company has been giving good service but at the same time express fear that they might not always be able to continue to do so with restricted income. Ever higher costs of labor, equipment and taxes and general inflationary trends are at "the root of the company's trouble," spokesmen conclude.

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15 Boys Sign For Caravan

A total of 15 boys from the Torrance YMCA area have signed for the caravan trip to the High Sierra and Yosemite National Park from July 29 to August 5, Stan Roberts, camp director, has announced.

There is room for 10 more boys between the ages of 12 and 16 to go on this wonderful trip. Fishing, hiking, outdoor cooking, swimming and a host of other activities are in store for these campers, Roberts said.

In the weeks before departing on this trip, boys will receive instructions in fishing and type of basic equipment they need for a caravan.

This is the first time the Torrance YMCA has sponsored such a trip, but Roberts stated that it is the type of camping specially arranged for the older boys of the area.

The representatives of eight free countries took part in ceremonies on the Normandy beaches commemorating the landing ten years ago that led to the liberation of France.

Analysis Charts Used In Several Schools

Analysis charts of pupils were prepared in several Torrance schools this year to realize the ability of each student and accept his level of achievement, it was reported to the Board of Education Tuesday under the heading "Promising Projects of 1953-54."

Sharing successful activities among schools was noted as a possible way of improving programs for the future.

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