

# Y's 'em up

Serving the YMCA and the Community since 1947

Home Club of International Presidents Bill Ward (2002-2003) and Jim Mueller (1976-1977)

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### OUR PREZ SEZ

By Nancy Wood



### KOUBEK'S KORNER

By Greg Koubek



They say that time flies when you're having fun, but then again, what do they know? Truthfully, it has been a very busy year for me and one that has flown by faster than I could have imagined. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your encouragement and support this past year. I know that you will show **Suzanne** the same courtesy. It takes every one working together for the greater good and I know that you will forge ahead and do that. It's been an honor to be your president.

In just a little over a month from now we will be elbow deep in our Fireworks sales. Please encourage your family and friends to purchase their Fourth of July fireworks from the Y's Men and Chamber of Commerce.

Happy Father's Day to all the dads out there and remember that anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad.....

Take care of each other.

Y'sly,

Nancy

**CELEBRATE  
FATHER'S DAY**

JUNE 18, 2006



Hello Everyone:

Things are going really well at our YMCA! Both our staff satisfaction surveys and membership satisfaction have shown dramatic improvements from last year. Both our staff and members are telling us that they feel more welcome at our YMCA. We are always striving to make our YMCA a place where people can come together and feel like they belong and are part of a community. We will continue to add value to the family membership and look for better ways to help our members adhere to their healthy lifestyle routines.

Thank you Y's Men for the \$1,000 check for Kids To Camp! With the pancake breakfast bringing in over \$1,500, we are well on our way to providing scholarships all those who are need. We are very excited about bringing over 100 kids to Camp Whittle from July 8-15. Thank you, **Bill Ward**, for agreeing to volunteer at camp this year. We really need your expertise. Resident Camp is one of the best things we do for kids at our YMCA. It is a great opportunity to get kids away from their everyday environment and get out in the mountains where they make new friends, overcome fears, build character, and learn life skills that will help them become better people. Thank you for all you do to make sure kids have this opportunity.

I look forward to reporting back to all of you at the end of summer. I hope you all have a fun and relaxing summer.

Sincerely,



Greg Koubek

**NEXT DEADLINE**  
**JUNE 15, 2006**

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**SERVICE DATES**  
**JUNE**

George Hasegawa 1968  
Donna Ward 1985  
Anita Davis 2005

**JUNE**  
**BIRTHDAYS**

6 Ed Wood  
15 Laurel Ojeda  
17 Dick werts  
24 Ken Sutton  
24 Anne Sutton  
30 Donna Ward

**JUNE**  
**ANNIVERSARIES**

17 George & Suzanne  
Hasegawa  
21 Bert & Georgette Dulac  
23 Bob & Jose Young

**PHOTO PAGE**

A very successful  
Pancake Breakfast.  
Made \$1,500.00 for  
"KIDS TO CAMP"

APRIL 22, 2006

Y's Men manning  
the grills, James, Ed,  
Jose, Nancy, Amie &  
Laurel. Let's EAT!



Officers  
training  
BIG BEAR  
CAMP  
WHITTLE

MAY 5-7, 2006  
Some of the 21  
Y'S MEN  
attending

**CLUB INSTALLATION DINNER**

DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2006

PLACE: SOUTH BAY GRILL  
23805 Hawthorne Blvd.  
Torrance

TIME: 6:30 P. M. SOCIAL  
7:00 P. M. DINNER

COST: \$15.00 Checks payable to Gardena Valley Y's Men's Club

Please send reservations to Bob Young  
1311 W. 170<sup>th</sup> St.  
Gardena, CA 90247

Deadline for reservations June 15, 2006

Dinner choices will be Salmon Brochette, Chicken, or Steak Brochette from the table menu.

Please join us for a time of fellowship and food as we install our new officers for 2006-2007.

## TURNER CLUB REPORT



APRIL 2006

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| 1. Gardena Valley     | 5163 |
| 2. Seal Beach L W     | 5033 |
| 3. W. Valley LA       | 3612 |
| 4. W. Valley-Phoenix  | 3434 |
| 5. Whittier           | 3269 |
| 6. Torrance           | 3170 |
| 7. North Coast        | 3093 |
| 8. Lohse Tucson       | 3054 |
| 9. Golden West        | 2840 |
| 10. Fullerton Sat. AM | 2804 |



## The Omaha Nebraska Expansion

The Dulac's have been recently blessed with two granddaughters. (Grandchild's Number 20 and 21)

Their son Mike and wife Mary announced the birth of Mariam Guadalupe Dulac on April 8th. She weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. and 20 inches long.

Their daughter Patty and husband Will had their daughter on May 4th. She was named Kaida Grace Field. She weighed 5 lbs. 6.5 oz. and 18.5 inches long.

All mother's, dad's and babies are doing well. So is Grandmother Dulac who is helping out.

Congratulations to all the Dulac's. What a big wonderful family you have!!

**BUSAN KOREA  
AUGUST 3-6 2006**

## PSWR REGIONAL CONVENTION PHOENIX

SEPTEMBER 29 THRU OCTOBER 1, 2006



Have you marked your calendars yet? If not do it **now**. Mark the date of Friday September 29<sup>th</sup> through Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> for the Pacific Southwest Region Y's Men's Convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

We have a great hotel reserved in the Embassy Suites at 2577 W Greenway Road which is at the corner of Interstate 17 and Greenway road. The rates for the convention and five days before or after are \$99.00 plus tax per night.

We will start the registration process on Friday September 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:00. At approximately 6:00 we will start moving the registrants to Sahuaro Ranch Park in Glendale for an evening of fun and food. The meal which will be a BBQ prepared by Christown Y Service Organization. The cost for this event is \$25.00 per couple \$15.00 single. There will be music and dancing and a possible tour of an old west ranch house at the park.

Saturday morning will start with our opening flag ceremony reflecting all the countries that Y's Men are serving. Afterwards the first forum will open with every one in the ball room. This first form will travel you back into the late 1880's and show you what it was like to be living in Tombstone, Arizona. After a coffee break we will have two or three more forums not finalized as of this date. Lunch will follow.

After lunch there will be planned free time activities.

A reception for officers will be prior to dinner which will have excellent entertainment.

Sunday a church service followed by concluding business and a closing lunch.

As always coming to Phoenix will be a great time to relax, eat and learn about Y's Dom.

**. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE**

**Dave Craytor**

## PSWR SPRING CONFERENCE

**SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2006 SEAL BEACH**

**LEISURE WORLD Clubhouse #2**

**SOCIAL 6 P. M. DINNER 7 P. M.**

**COST: \$11.00 per person**

**Deadline for reservations MONDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> ... A MUST**

Check made out to "PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION"  
Mail to GENE KOESTER  
23300 Henry Court  
Torrance, CA 90505-3127



# Casino Nite

Gardena Valley  
Y's Men's Club  
Invites you to the  
2nd Annual  
Casino Night



|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Texas Hold'Em | Plus:       |
| Blackjack     | Good Food   |
| Craps         | Soft Drinks |
| Roulette      | Prizes      |



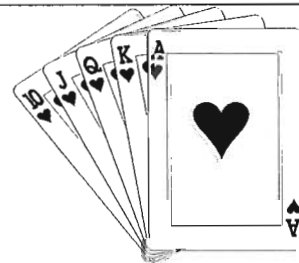
**Saturday, August 19, 2006**  
6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p. m.

Cost:  
\$35.00 per person  
or \$60.00 per couple

All you Texas Hold Em players! You want to go all in? All you Blackjack players stay at 17, all you Roulette players red or black, and of course you Crap players let it ride or play the hard eight!

No, you don't have to go all the way to Las Vegas or Temecula, come to the Gardena/Carson YMCA, 1000 West Artesia Blvd., Gardena.

Remember good Food and Soft Drinks, a lot of fun, and what happens at the YMCA stays at the YMCA!!!!



**TICKETS CAN BE BOUGHT FROM ANY Y'S MEN OR PURCHASED AT THE DOOR**

**COME ON AND JOIN IN ON THE FUN, FOOD AND PRIZES**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2006**

**CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

*By Phyllis Ginder*

**JESUS HEALS ON THE SABBATH** Luke 14

One Sabbath day Jesus was in the home of a leader of the Pharisees. The people were watching him closely, because there was a man there whose arms and legs were swollen. Jesus asked the Parisees and experts in religious law, "Well, is it permitted in the law to heal people on the Sabbath day, or not?" When they refused to answer him, Jesus touched the sick man and healed him and sent him away. Then he turned to them and asked, "Which of you doesn't work on the Sabbath? If your son or your cow falls into a pit, don't you proceed at once to get him out?" Again they had no answer.

*Proverbs 3*

*Trusting in the LORD*

My child, "never forget the things I have taught you. Store my commands in your heart, for they will give you a long and satisfying life. Never let loyalty and kindness get away from you. Wear them like a necklace; write them deep within your heart. Then you will find favor with both GOD and people, and you will gain a good reputation."

**IN MEMORIUM**

**BILL HIGBEE**

**AUGUST 5, 1936 – APRIL 17, 2006**

Bill was a member for many years, participating in our projects and events with then wife Jo. He was chairman of the Gardena/Carson YMCA Board and also served as President of the Metro Y's Board of Governors.

**FLY OUR FLAG PROUDLY**



**FLAG DAY**

**JUNE 14, 2006**



**FATHER'S DAY**

**JUNE 18, 2006**

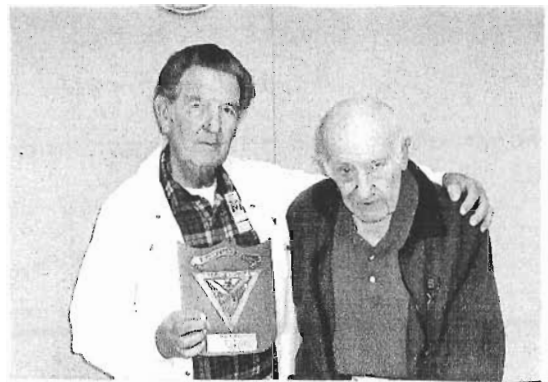
**TRAVELING ALONG WITH THE RD**

Our visitations continue with a 7 A. M. Breakfast with the Pasadena Y's Men's Club on March 29<sup>th</sup>

The program was all about Nascar racing with everyone enjoying the talk and asking questions.

On Aril 19<sup>th</sup>, at a Leisure World Breakfast meeting, **RD Dick**. Finally presented **Ray Huffaker** with the Elmer Crowe Award for Outstanding District Governor, which somehow had gotten lost last year between Geneva and the USA.

**RD Dick presenting Ray Huffaker with Elmer Crowe**



On April 24<sup>th</sup> we visited the Harbor District Conference at the **Wielenga's** in Bellflower. This is always a good food and fun meeting to go to. Riding along was **Sue Randall**, **Norm** and **Joey Haroldson** and **Bonnie**.

We traveled out to the valley on April 29<sup>th</sup> for a Valley District meeting with **J. R. Holdeman**. **Sue** and **Bonnie** were also along for this early breakfast meeting.

The evening of May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we traveled up to Santa Monica for a fun dinner meeting (lots of wine was served) with the Santa Monica P. M. club. They had a good turn out of members and much conversation about Y's Men activities. Again we met members that were only names on a list till this evening. We talked about how important it is to visit other clubs in your district and area. **Sue** and **Bonnie** were again along for the festivities.

**INTERNATIONAL EMPHASIS FOR MAY PUBLIC RELATIONS**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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|-------------|-----------|--|
| <b>JUNE</b> | <b>4</b>  | <b>Annual Gardena 5 K Run. Meet at 168<sup>th</sup> St. &amp; Normandie at 7 AM. Bring rakes &amp; brooms.</b> |
|             | <b>4</b>  | <b>PSWR Board &amp; Cabinet transitional meeting, Lakewood Y, 2 PM.</b>  |
|             | <b>10</b> | <b>PSWR Spring Conference, Leisure World, reservations needed. See article on page 3.</b>                      |
|             | <b>22</b> | <b>Our Installation Dinner. 6:30 pm , Dinner 7:00pm See article on page 2.</b>                                 |