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This Week: Saving Senior Services from the Budget Axe

A broad, bi-partisan coalition has been working hard over the past year to save California’s Adult Day Healthcare (ADHC) from falling victim to the state’s budget woes. At this week’s meeting we will have a dual purpose presentation which will both identify the benefits, from both health and cost perspectives, of ADHC as well as showing us how the coalition went about saving the program.



Our speaker will be Joel Torrez. Joel is a Policy Analyst in the Government Relations and Community Research Initiatives Department for AltaMed Health Services Corporation, a non-profit health care agency. Joel serves as an advocate on health care issues for medically underserved communities. Born in Huntington Park and raised in East Los Angeles, Joel is a graduate of Cal State Fullerton and prior to his current position worked as a mental health social worker and later as a field representative for Senator Gloria Romero.

BACKTALK

Team leader Ralph Pan, ably assisted by PP David Snyder organized the meeting. Dr. McFadden seemed a little off his game with the fines as PP Bill Kinman had to up his own birthday fine from \$77 to \$100. Lorraine Simpson was hit with a \$50 Hawaii fine after presenting gifts to President Sharon but Lee Lieberg seemed to get a pass on his Canadian/Northwest adventure. Dennis recovered nicely though with a \$50 donation for a new grandchild.

Our program was presented by Jill Mitchell who currently works with Youth With A Mission / Mexico Adventures. Jill was invited by PE Raymond Poon and the International services committee because she is involved with so many projects that they felt may be worthy of our club's support.

One of her initiatives is to help supply prosthetics components to a clinic/fabrication shop in Mexico that fits the prosthetics and also custom makes wheel chairs and other mobility devices for the disabled there. Her presentation included many pictures of people both before and after their lives were changed with prosthetic components that were basically scrap in our country's health system.



Ms. Mitchell is also involved with an organization in Cambodia called Reverse the Curse, which operates factory producing exotic dried fruits. The factory is special in that every single production worker has lost a limb or endured other major injury from one of the hundreds of thousands of mines left over from the wars in Southeast Asia. These workers were chronically underemployed before this factory was established as a result of the stigma that comes with having a disability.

Team Assignments
Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2010 – Team 5
Team Captain: Laura Tellez

Task:	Member:
Room Set-Up	Rachel and Dante
Room Tear-Down	Mike M. and Steven
Cash Box	Carmen Hernandez
50/50 Raffle	Mark Paulson
Backtalk	Luis Ayala
Photos	TBA
Flag Salute	Donna Perez
Invocation	Luis Carlos
Introductions	Stephen Sham
Greeter	Jeff H. and Laura T.
Chair of the Day	Dave Daley

!!!!!!!Happy Birthday!!!!!!!

9/9 – Lee Hamby

!!!!!!Marital Bliss!!!!!!

9/7 – David Vasquez

.....Mark Your Calendars.....



11/12 – \$10,000 Raffle
Almanson Court

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