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CAL-NEV-HA District, Division 42 Newsletter

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Fireside with Deb



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THOUSAND OAKS

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VENTURA SUBURBAN

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Hello Division 42,

This month sees us half-way through the 2020-2021 year. By the time you read this, St. Patrick's Day will have passed, but I hope you all felt a bit of the luck of the Irish. We have weathered the storm together, and despite the challenges, we have continued to do what we do—make a difference in the lives of others.

At last, there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel, and everyone is starting to look forward and beginning to think about making plans for the last half of 2020-2021. Even getting a little excited about being together again, including our DCM's. We are crossing our fingers for May. Remember to put Sept. 11th on your calendar for our Governor's Visit and the installation of our Division 42 Lt. Governor, Matt Moore. (Don't panic Matt, it is still about 195 days away, but who's counting?)

We had a wonderful DCM this month; thank you to Ventura for allowing us to host the Governor Elect Forum. I have sent out the link to the recording (l hope). I received some wonderful feedback from guests who joined us from other Divisions as well as Valerie and Russ.

Homework Assignments – Kudos to those who did their homework last month. Conejo thanked the medical staff that administered their vaccines and their Parks and Rec. Dept. for all the support they give to Kiwanis programs. Santa Susana thanked the volunteers at the Veteran's Resource Ctr. and James Storehouse for accepting and distributing our blankets, and all they do for those who have served our country and the children in Foster Care. Simi Valley thanked me for getting our One Day and Literacy Patches out, and Moorpark had several members give thanks—some for being ushers at church, some for baking, and a special thank you for being able to do a "social distancing" BBQ with friends. Thanks for letting us know.

This month's message is, "Take time for friends and family. No amount of money or success can take the place of time spent with those you care about." So your homework is to share something you have done with friends or family. This has to be the easiest one yet.

"What's Your Sign?" Info: If were born between Feb. 18th and March 20th, you are Pisces (fish). After the 20th, you are an Aries (ram). Interested in info about your sign? Here you go: https://www.astrology-zodiac-signs.com.

Truly Canadian: Did you know that each day 200,000 people travel through Toronto's underground pathways – home to the World's Largest Subterranean Shopping Complex? (It sure seemed like more during rush hour.)

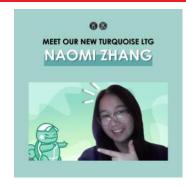
Thank you for taking the time to chat.

Take care until we meet again.

Debbie



Camarillo



KIWIN'S Turquoise Div. just held their Conclave where Naomi Zhang was elected as the new LTG for 2021/2022. Naomi is a member of the Rancho Campana High School KIWIN'S where she is their President.

On Sunday March 7, the KIWIN'S District held a very successful Virtual Wake-A-Thon where we got to stay up until 3:00 am. So how did we all manage to stay awake? It was easy as they had a jam- packed program planned for the 3 hours starting at Midnight. It started with a Guest Speaker, Eri Okuma, from UNICEF who gave an update on our Kiwanis Program to eliminate Neonatal Tetanus. She also said that UNICEF has been asked to head up the COVID vaccination in undeveloped countries. In addition to having lots of fun games they also had a Math for UNICEF Competition where they raised some money for UNICEF.





They introduced the Rose River project, then went into a Talent Show. The evening ended with a blast where, to raise more money, the male LTG's dressed like girls, and one member decided to cut her hair (or did she?)

All tolled, the KIWIN'S raised around \$2,000 from their Wake-A-Thon.

While doing inventory at our storage shed, we came across a little bit of history hidden in one of the boxes. The one on the left reads: 1st Place District Volleyball Competition awarded to Key Club of Camarillo High School, April 1983. Yes, we did have sports competitions between Key Clubs in 1983. The one on the right reads: Key Club International California-Nevada-Hawaii Distict Division Forty-Two Presents Adolfo Camarillo Key Club this award for BEST CLUB, 1995-1996.



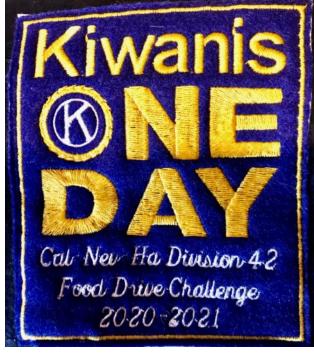






On March 11, two of our members were joined by five KIWIN'S to help kidSTREAM unload a full truck of STEM equipment donated by the Navy. This includes benches, large Lego Building Blocks, 3D Printers, and lots of other electronic equipment. All of these items will be a big asset to the Children's Museum.



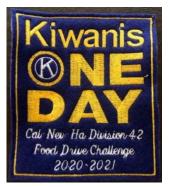




The Agoura High School Key Club collected 170 items to begin their food drive for Manna Conejo Valley Food Bank and our club added stacks of canned food. These items will complement our club's ongoing support since last July of Adelante Comunidad Conejo's pop-up food distribution sites.

We were also proud to be awarded a banner patch for our donations to Past First Lady Lorraine's kidSTREAM Book Project.

Moorpark





Moorpark is so proud to have earned the One Day Patch and First Lady's Project Patch.



Member Jackie Flame "flocking" a yard to support Moorpark High School PTA



President Ute Van Dam donating blood



Tom Anderson, Mark Van Dam, Ute Van Dam, and Natalie Barrett visiting at our monthly social



Past Presidents Bryan Lee and Steve Hoppel socialize at The Alley.





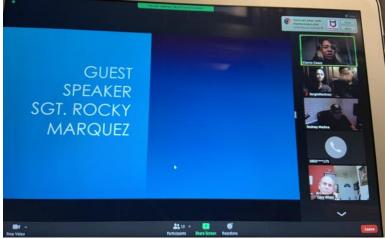
Secretary Natalie Barrett and honorary member Rosie smile for the camera. Sweet Rosie loves to spend time with Moorpark Kiwanians!

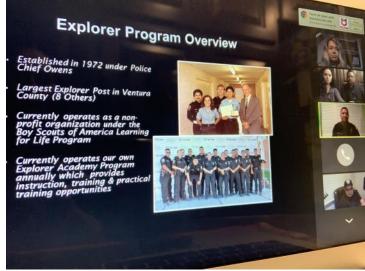
TinaMarie Martinez Reporting



Oxnard Kiwanis Treasurer Debra Cordes and Pres. Elect Rodney Medina presented \$1000 to Kevin Brannon of the Reel Guppy Outdoors towards his upcoming publications about the Channel Islands and The Kelp Forest.









Our March general meeting featured guest speaker Sergeant Rocky Marquez of the Oxnard Police Department who shared information about the Police Explorer Program.

Santa Barbara



We usually bell ring for the Salvation Army at Christmas time. We couldn't do that, so we gave them a \$1000 donation to help feed their clients. Ringing all our bells together.





The Kiwanis Club of Santa Barbara has formed a partnership with our Santa Barbara Downtown Organization.
We are helping to support two high school interns. We feel this fits into our scholarship program.
We donated \$3,000 towards the interns' \$15 an hour salary. We also donated another \$2,000, and in return the D.O. will put our information in store windows and publicize our upcoming centennial anniversary.
On the left, Gov. Gary presents the \$5,000 check. On the right are the two interns.

Santa Susana





Blanket Buddies

Staff and volunteers at the James
Storehouse were thrilled when Debbie
delivered to over 75 blankets. These
blankets were donated by Santa Susana
and fellow Division 42 clubs. They were
especially happy about the variety we
provided.

We had crochet-trimmed blankets (lovingly trimmed by our former First Lady, Lorraine) for infants and toddlers, as well as for teens, who are often overlooked.

The Storehouse provides supplies and services free of charge to children and families in the Foster Care program.

For everyone who patiently measured, cut, and tied these blankets, you can now take great pride in your hard work.

These blankets make a world of difference to the children they serve.



Madera K-Kids Way Too Much Fun!

As you can see from their faces, our K-Kids were all smiles at our last meeting. We worked on their communication skills by playing Charades.

We had several members absent at Drama Club, but that didn't dampen the enthusiasm. SANTA
SUSANA
Has a
NEW
Meeting
Date!!
Now on the
3rd Monday
of the
Month at
11:30am

Shelley Howard Reporting













prise someone with an

act of kindness.



Our new ongoing project to Pay it Forward: Lorraine brought the idea to the club, and Tammy created little packets to help Spread Kindness. Members pick these up at Tammy's home to present when they see or do an act of kindness out in the community. They also contain an invitation to check us out!













In partnership with the Simi Chamber and Adventist Hospital, we held a drive-up give-away of KN-95 masks. The packages also included a flyer promoting our Gift Card Round*Up project (see end of this newsletter.)







At our first March meeting we celebrated Dr. Seuss and Read Across America by wearing crazy hats. At our last March meeting we will play Bingo with the Liberty (MO) Kiwanis Club - an interclub and fundraiser for them!

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting











Thousand Oaks Senior Concerns conducted their annual Love Run Fundraiser with plenty of social distancing this year. Arnie Rudman tallied 50+ miles and his fellow Kiwanis Club members pledged more than \$750 to support the Meals on Wheels program. Members who pledged more than \$25 were entitled to bet on the Guys or the Gals in a "meal delivery wagon relay race." The "Guys" team was Past Presidents Mike Mathews and Larry Levine and President Craig Burns (shown delivering a meal.) The "Gals" team included Sherrill Hyink, Secretary Gloria Dyok, and Cristy Warner (shown rounding a pylon.) The Guys won, but President Craig decided to award two prizes - Treasurer Bill Steele and Vice-President Mary Sepe were the lucky winners. After the race, President Craig and other members presented a BIG check to Senior Concerns President Andrea Gallagher.







Vice-President and Program Chair Mary Sepe continues to dial up interesting presentations for our weekly Zoom meetings. Good thing that Bo Slyapich's program on wrangling rattlesnakes was virtual. He's local and been catching rattlers at the homes of Hollywood stars and ordinary folks for fifty years. He releases the captives in their habitat far away from the human intruders.









Thousand Oaks senior Kiwanis Club members helped out with food distribution to the needy at Westminster Free Clinic's event March 3. Domino's Pizza has been very generous during the pandemic, donating pizzas to many organizations helping to provide food security in these times. Our Board recently voted to give Domino's a Distinguished Service Award for their generosity.







Thousand Oaks Kiwanis Club members are committed to providing seventy sack lunches at least once a month to Harbor House, a local non-profit that helps feed the homeless. Sherrill Hyink leads the "Lunch Bunch" and members of the Los Cerritos Middle School Builders Club help prepare some of the lunches. In addition to this regular once-a-month service project, other teams led by members Kathy Smiley and Katy Porter have each added a bonus day of service (70 sack lunches) within the past month.

Ventura



We've resumed meeting in person at a park bi-monthly. We continue to volunteer at Salvation Army in East Ventura every Tuesday. We're tentatively making plans for the fall assuming a less restrictive Covid-19 environment. Looking forward to getting busy again with all of our activities.



Division 42 THE HUB



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May is traditionally Membership Month

If May is not a great month for your club to host a membership campaign, choose a month now that works for your club and begin planning.

Find us on Facebook

Search for the group "Kiwanis International Membership leaders" and request to join (or click the link below). Membership Month tips are posted every Monday and Thursday during March, April, and May. https://www.facebook.com/groups/theformulakiwanis



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2021 KIWANIS EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Kiwanis clubs face unique challenges — especially since COVID-19 changed everything. That's why we're introducing the 2021 Kiwanis Education and Leadership Conference. Kiwanis experts and partners will bring you the education, inspiration and leadership development you need to get through these tough times.

Join in person or virtually. June 24-26, 2021. Salt Lake City, Utah, USA. Visit **kiwanis.org/SLC2021** for a schedule of events, registration options and list of educational seminars being offered online and in person. Registration begins March 18. In-person attendance will be determined by capacity limits established by local and state officials.

Kiwanis is desperately needed in so many communities to ensure all kids have access to the resources they need to thrive, the education they need to prosper and the food they need to grow.

Kiwanis[®] Amplify

LEARN LEADERSHIP FROM THE EXPERTS

You've explored Kiwanis' new leadership program — Kiwanis Amplify — and now it's time to decide whether the training is right for you. Becoming a great leader takes education and training. Kiwanis Amplify provides that training. **Registration is open until April 1.**

Through Kiwanis Amplify, participants will learn skills to improve more than their Kiwanis club. They'll get the tools needed to improve communities, careers, schools — the lives of adults and children everywhere.

Participants in this program will:

- Explore the value of servant leadership.
- Discover personal strengths to lead confidently and successfully.
- Strengthen their ability to lead in a strategic manner.
- Build and manage a successful strategic plan.
- Learn from experts and peers from across the globe.
- Earn a certification of completion.

Participants will take a deep dive into eight leadership topics:

- The qualities of a good leader.
- Methods of communication.
- Planning engaging events.
- Promoting diversity, equality and inclusion throughout a team.
- Working with others.
- Sharing a message.
- Planning for the future.
- Staying focused.

The participation fee is US\$200 and gives members access to all 56 segments and related material. Individuals may pay the registration fee themselves, or a club, division, or district may sponsor participants for Kiwanis Amplify as well.

Visit kiwanis.org/amplify to learn more about the program, get answers to frequently asked questions, and register.

Division 42 Clubs & Meetings

Please confirm the meeting place and time with the Club Secretary if you are planning a visit.

Camarillo

Meeting: Sportsman Restaurant, 4426 Central Ave., 1st Tuesday 5:30 pm, Tuesdays x-1st 12:00 pm

President: Robert Kelly

Email: kelly541@live.com Ph: (805) 388-4999

Secy: Allen Grizzard-Paul Email: allengrizzard@msn.com

Ph: (805) 795-6279 Cell

Conejo Valley

Meeting: Bandits Grill and Bar

589 North Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks

Tuesdays 11:45 am

President: Sheromie Vittachi

Email: svittachi4homes@gmail.com Ph: (805) 551-2084

Secy: Roger Klausler Email: rklausler@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 746-2584 Cell

Moorpark

Meeting: Moorpark Chamber of Commerce, 18 E. High St.,

1st Monday 7:00 pm;

3rd Monday Club Social (Time & location vary.)

President: Ute Van Dam Email: utevandam@roadrunner.com

Ph: (805) 433-3306

Secy: Natalie Barrett Email: barrett.vet@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 501-1815

Oxnard

Meeting: The Tower Club, 300 E. Esplanade Dr., 22nd Floor

1st Thursday 6:00 pm; 2nd Thursday at DCM;

4th Thursday: Evening social with rotating location, 6:00 pm President: Clarice Couey Email: clarice.couey@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 444-7151

Secy: Tina Marie Martinez

Email: tinamarie918@gmail.com Ph: (805)844-9145 Cell

Santa Barbara

Meeting: Mesa Café, 1972 Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara,

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 12:00 pm

4th Wednesday Evening Social 5:30 pm

President: Jordan Robinson Email: president@kiwanissb.org

Ph: (805) 451-3222

Secy: Walter Browne Email: walterbrowne1@yahoo.com

Ph: (916) 817-7584

Santa Susana

Meeting: (Locations vary.) 3rd Monday 11:30 am NEW!

4th Sunday Club Social 12:30 pm (Call for location)

President: Margaret Zoetowey

Email: sigurdssonmargaret@gmail.com or margarets@armsprinting.com Ph: (805) 340-7673 Secy: Gary White Email: garywhiteallstar@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 660-7446

(NOTE: During the COVID-19 pandemic, most clubs are meeting

online via Zoom.)

Simi Valley

Meeting: (Location to be determined.) 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays 6:30 pm

President: Lorraine Erickson Email: leerickson521@gmail.com

Ph: (619) 729-1330 Cell

Secy: Mary Martin Email: fmmartin7@sbcglobal.net

Ph: (805) 587-2235 Cell

The South Coast

Meeting: High Sierra Grill, 521 Firestone Road, Goleta

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

President: Wesley Jackson Email: wesjackson050@msn.com

Ph: (805) 570-6311

Secy: Bill Bailey Email: bill@jwbailey.com Ph: (805) 964-2249

Thousand Oaks

Meeting: Los Robles Greens Golf Course, 299 S. Moorpark Rd.,

Wednesdays 7:15 am

ALSO-Social Mtg. "First Friday" night each month: location varies

President: Craig Burns Email: crburnsca@yahoo.com

Ph: (805) 375-2996

Secy: Gloria Dyok Email: gloriadyok@verizon.net

Ph: (805) 402-1297 Cell (Text preferred)

Meeting: Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd., Ventura, 1st Friday; 2nd & 4th Fridays at Arroyo Verde Park; Off Friday/End-of-month via Zoom; All meetings 12:00 pm President: Matthew Kohagen Email: revmrk@aol.com

Ph: (805) 795-1445

Secy: Fred Ziegler Email: ziegler.fairway@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 535-5218 Cell

Ventura Suburban

Meeting: Main Street Restaurant & Steakhouse, 3159 E. Main St.,

2nd Tuesday, 6:00 pm (4th Tuesday via internet)

President: Brendan Hendrick Email: kiwinsda2000@aol.com

Ph: Home: (805) 642-8661

Secy: Tracey Hendrick Email: tnbhen@aol.com

Ph: (805) 642-8661



Division 42 Calendar of Events

Training & Club Events

April 3, 2021

Kiwanis One Day (District observed)

May 7 - 9, 2021

Key Leader Camp

June 23-26, 2021

Kiwanis International Education and Leadership Conference, Salt Lake City, UT

August 19 - 21, 2021

Cal-Nev-Ha District Convention, San Diego, CA

September 11, 2021

Governor's Visit and Division Installation

November 6, 2021

Christmas and Cabernet Simi Valley Kiwanis



Division Council Meetings

DCMs via Zoom / @ The Arc of Ventura 5103 Walker Street, Ventura

Thursday, October 8, 2020

No host club - Div. Leadership Team

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Hosting club: Camarillo at kidSTREAM

Thursday, December 10, 2020

Hosting Clubs: Santa Susana & Ventura Suburban

Thursday, January 14, 2021

Hosting club: Conejo Valley

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Hosting club: Simi Valley

Thursday, March 11, 2021

Hosting club: Ventura – Governor Elect Candidates

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Hosting club: Oxnard

Thursday, May 13, 2021

Hosting club: Moorpark

Thursday, June 10, 2021

Hosting club: Thousand Oaks

Thursday, July 8, 2021

Hosting club: Santa Barbara

August 2021

No DCM - District Convention

September 2021

No DCM - Gov. Visit and Div. Installation

NEWS YOU CAN USE

from the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund

APRIL 2021



National Volunteer Week is April 18-24! Established in 1974, this weeklong event highlights the people and causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time, talent and voice to make a difference in their communities. In honor of National Volunteer Week, we'd like to say thank you to you all who support the CNH Children's Fund. Whether you're a CNH Children's Fund Director or Ambassador, or a Kiwanian who has been with us every step of the way, thank you for your generous and outstanding service to building a better future for our children!

Have you purchased your Dinner Anywhere raffle tickets yet? From the beautiful beaches in Hawaii, to Napa Valley in Northern California, to the exciting sights and sounds of Las Vegas, Nevada, you can enter for a chance to win dinner anywhere in our three-state district! Only 250 tickets will be sold. Contact the CNH Children's Fund office or any CNH Children's Fund Director to purchase your tickets today.



KPC BRICKS

Support the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund and leave your legacy at the Kiwanis District Office in Rancho Cucamonga by ordering a brick. Your will be placed in a pathway surrounding the Kiwanis Professional Center (KPC) and will be a lasting legacy of your generosity. Bricks are available for a \$250, \$500 or \$1,000 donation to the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund. **Order your brick today!**

HOPE OF AMERICA

The school year is soon coming to a close, and what better way to celebrate than by recognizing outstanding students? The Hope of America is an ideal award to present to Service Leadership Program members, or any student your club would like to recognize for outstanding achievement. Order your Hope of America award today.

AMAZONSMILE

Mother's Day, Father's Day, and graduations are right around the corner! Shop for moms, dads, and grads at **smile.amazon.com/ch/94-1623498** and Amazon will donate a portion to the CNH Children's Fund at no extra cost to you. You shop, Amazon gives. It's that easy to build a better future for children!

YES! INITIATIVE

When you give to the YES! Initiative, you develop leaders and provide scholarships to students like **Kristi**. If you dare to envision a brighter future for students like Kristi, then say YES! with your donation to the YES! Initiative. **Learn more** about the YES! Initiative.

SERVICE AWARDS: DSA-CSA-YSA

The Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund offers three distinctive ways your club can recognize Kiwanians and community members for their outstanding service: the <u>Distinguished Service Award (DSA)</u>; <u>Community Service Award (CSA)</u>; and <u>Youth</u> <u>Service Award (YSA)</u>. From teachers who have gone above and beyond in distance learning to Kiwanians who have tirelessly served their communities during the ongoing pandemic, consider honoring a deserving individual today.





Virtual Guided Getty Center Art Tour

Sunday, March 21, 2021 | 10:00-11:30 AM

\$50 per person







Questions? Contact Sandy Nguyen snguyen@bbsvc.org

Join us for a private, docent-led, live guided virtual tour of the Getty Center!

Grab your coffee or a mimosa and enjoy a lively, interactive tour of some of the world's greatest art masterpieces from the comfort of your home.

Cost is \$50.00/person to benefit Kiwanis of Thousand Oaks and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ventura County (split \$25 per organization w/link below.)

Space is limited! RSVP now: igfn.us/form/mOK9DA

You will receive the Zoom link closer to the day of the event.

For more info, email snguyen@bbsvc.org



The Kiwanis Club of Simi Valley is collecting gift cards to help local children who have been impacted by the covid-19 pandemic.

Some great options for consideration:

McDonald's Chick-fil-A Jack In The Box In & Out El Pollo Loco

Jersey Mike's Subway Walmart .99 Cents Store Target Aldi Vons Ralphs Smart & Final Vallarta

For information please email Linda at svkiwanislz@yahoo.com or call 805-807-5100

Don't let our kids go hungry! Thank you for your support!



Easy Ways to Donate!

- Mail GIFT CARDS (or send check payable to the Kiwanis Club of Simi Valley) to PO Box 477, Simi Valley, CA 93062
- Drop Off GIFT CARDS (or checks payable to the Kiwanis Club of Simi Valley) on Saturday, March 20th from 9AM-11AM at the Simi Valley Family YMCA-3200 Cochran St.
- ★ Make a Monetary Donation online at www.SimiValleyKiwanis.com
- Schedule a Covid SAFE Pick-Up of Your Gift Card by calling 805-807-5100

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