



## Nick's Notes

### It's the Second Half

It doesn't seem possible, but it's April already and the Kiwanis administrative year is half over. I've spared the sports metaphors up until now, but having watched a bit of NCAA basketball during the past month, I'm reminded that how you play your Second Half is critical to success. Now, don't get me wrong; I think that as a Division, we've had a very good performance during our first half. While we represent 3.5% of the Cal-Nev-Ha District membership, we've produced over 8% of its growth. We've opened a major Reading Oasis Room under the First KYD'S Project, with more being considered. We awarded a dozen DSA's and CSA's at our Governor's Visit and had great attendance at the Mid-Year South Conference. We've worked alongside our SLPs and added new SLP clubs, logged countless hours of service, and raised thousands of charitable dollars.

But just as in sports, we're only as good as our Second Half. How we perform in the next six months will determine whether we have a winning year overall. Not into sports? Consider a train having just made it to the top of a steep grade. Will it take it easy and coast to the bottom on the other side or use all that kinetic energy it's worked hard building up to help it accelerate to its destination? There is still lots of work to do - services to provide to our communities and their children, funds to be raised to help provide those services, new members to be invited to expand our service capabilities, awareness of our clubs and the Kiwanis brand to build (which helps all the foregoing), and fun and fellowship to enjoy together.

An important activity which comes early in our Second Half is elections. A strong club and a strong Division need strong leadership succession. Kiwanis has always been all about building leaders, so when the invitation comes, I hope each member will seize the opportunity to assume a new leadership position. For how do we grow and build our skills as leaders? We accept the challenge to take on new responsibilities and learn as we do. Here's a secret; you never have to go it alone - there's abundant, willing, and experienced help available just for the asking. You'll thank yourself sooner than you think.

Make a difference. *Be* the difference. Whatever your calling - as a member, club or division officer, board or committee member - help lead our Kiwanis team to a great Second Half, and a winning year!

LTG Nick



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# Kiwanis of Conejo Valley



On March 5, we put on a BBQ lunch at Conejo Creek North Park for the Agoura and Newbury Park High School Key Clubs and the Sequoia Middle School and Sycamore Canyon Builders Clubs to celebrate their service to their schools and their communities.



Six of our members attended the Governor's Visit at River Ridge Golf Club, at which Cal-Neve-Ha Governor Cherie Gilliam and Conejo Valley President-Elect Tom Stapleford presented a Distinguished Service Award to Sonia Agresti.



On March 24, as we do every other month, members of the Newbury Park HS Key Club joined with us to serve dinner and dessert at the Chinese Christian Church in partnership with the LSS Meal and Shelter Program.



The Distinguished Service Award from Moorpark went to Cindy and Bob Pratt, also known as "Team Pratt."

Welcome new member Trisha Samseli (center) pictured with Emily Link (Left) and President Bryan Lee (Right).



Our newest Service Leadership Program addition — Welcome Chaparral Builders Club to the Moorpark Kiwanis Family.



## Club Celebrates Social Services Month with Luncheon Honoring 27 County Social Service Workers



Kiwanian Alma Vaja, who organized the Social Service Staff Recognition Luncheon, and Brad Parks present a certificate to one of the social workers.



Kiwanian Sgt. Riley Harwood congratulates a County Social Service worker for the work she and so many others do for the community.



Jay and Deena Ferro present a check to the Kiwanis Aktion Club for \$3,268 from their family's fundraiser during the month of February at Kyle's Kitchen.



Direct Relief sent a big thank you to Kiwanian Hank Drost for collecting eyeglasses on a year-round basis to be sent to people in need around the world.



Aktion Club Secretary Debra Day and President Steve Glick hang with CNH Governor Cherice Gilliam at the Governor's Visit.



A Kiwanis International Foundation 50th Year Commemorative Medallion was presented to Marsha Gray by husband Gary at the Governor's Visit.



Free Child Safety Kits including kids' fingerprints and photo IDs were provided for parents attending the Open House at our Boys and Girls Club, where we also promoted our Round\*Up country music festival.



Our Valley View Middle School Builders Club was recognized at a recent City Council meeting for raising \$2,193.41 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society! Pictured are Principal Michael Hall, club advisor Valerie Yant, and member Ashley Gilmore.



We collected 5 TONS of food to help feed the hungry in Simi Valley from

our latest theme-branded project, the Round\*Up Against Hunger. Donations were collected at 8 markets and delivered to the Salvation Army, our local homeless shelter, and a local church's soup kitchen.



A long-standing tradition, Easter Breakfast at the Senior Center involves many of our members, our SLPs, our band, and over two hundred happy, well-fed senior members of our community.

Our first BBQ of the year was for St. Andrew's Preschool on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

We dodged the rain and fed chicken, hot dogs and hamburgers to over 180 smiling faces, many of them tiny painted smiling faces!



We were joined by 3 volunteers, Nick and Ben, above, and Nan, below. Future members??



# Ventura Kiwanis

Judy Mullins reporting



The Ventura Kiwanis Community Service Award was presented to Jenise Wagar and Brian McDonald at the Governor's Luncheon. Past Club President, Dave Schmutte proudly presents the awards.



DATA Builders Club member is creative with her t-shirt: TIE DYE lives on!



The DATA Builders Club works on quilting blankets to be donated to the Cancer Center at Ventura County Medical Center. This project is a favorite for the Ventura Kiwanis DATA Builders Club.



## Division 42 Clubs & Meetings

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



### Camarillo

**Meeting:** Round Table Restaurant, 880 Arneill Rd.,  
1st Tuesday 6:00 PM; All Other Tuesdays 12:00pm  
President: Peter Johnson  
Email: petewj@verizon.net Ph: 805) 443-0189  
Secy: Cecelia Rexford P.O. Box 533 (club address), Camarillo, 93011  
Email: aachskiwinsadvisor@gmail.com Ph: (805) 766-3534 Cell  
(Text preferred)

### Carpinteria -

**Meeting:** Memorial Bldg., 941 Walnut Avenue,  
2nd Wednesday of the month @ 7:00 pm  
President: Dorinda Macias  
Email: dorim@cox.net Ph: (805) 680-4581  
Secy: Rosana Swing  
Email: rsrdswing@gmail.com Ph: (805) 680-2670

### Conejo Valley

**Meeting:** Bandits Grill and Bar  
589 North Moorpark Road , Thousand Oaks  
Tuesdays 11:45am  
President: Dee Talley Email: detalley@pacbel.net  
Ph: (805) 660-2839 Cell (Text preferred)  
Secy: Roger Klausler Email: rklausler@gmail.com

### Moorpark

**Meeting:** Moorpark Chamber of Commerce, 18 E. High St.,  
1st Mondays 7:00 pm  
President: Bryan Lee Email: bdlnotary@gmail.com  
Ph: (805) 402-0177 Cell  
Secy: Tom Anderson Email: tqanderson@roadrunner.com  
Ph: (805) 708-6454

### Oxnard

**Meeting:** The Tower Club, 300 E. Esplanade Dr., 22nd Floor  
Thursdays @ 12:00 pm  
President: Jay Duncan Email: jay.duncan@ci.oxnard.ca.us  
Ph: (805) 794-5298 Cell (Text preferred)  
Secy: Daniel Martinez—call to schedule visit  
Email: Daniel.martinez@ci.oxnard.ca.us Ph: (805) 844-9145 Cell

### Santa Barbara

**Meeting:** Mesa Café, 1972 Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara,  
Wednesdays 12:00 pm  
President: Eduardo Cué Email: ecue@cadassb.org  
Ph: (805) 563-1594  
Secy: Anita Dominocielo  
Email: vol@volunteersb.com Ph: (805) 451-2928

### Santa Paula

**Meeting:** Zapparelli's Pizza, 598 W. Main St., Santa Paula,  
Thursdays 12:00 pm  
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Secy: Ken Stock Email: kwstock85@gmail.com  
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### Santa Susana

**Meeting:** Junkyard Café, 2585 Cochran St., Simi Valley,  
Wednesdays 12:15 pm  
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Secy: Gary White Email: bflatgary@sbcglobal.net  
Ph: (805) 660-7446 Cell

### Simi Valley

**Meeting:** Lost Canyons Golf Club, 3301 Lost Canyons Dr., Simi Valley,  
Wednesdays 7:00 am  
K-Too Meetings - 2nd Friday Night of Each Month, 6:30pm  
@ Boys & Girls Club of Simi Valley 2850 Lemon Avenue, Simi Valley  
President: Michele Bennett Email: michy7777@msn.com  
Ph: (805) 732-3103  
Secy: Mary Martin Email: fmmartin7@sbcglobal.net  
Ph: (805) 527-0760

### South Coast

**Meeting:** IHOP Restaurant, 4765 Calle Real, Santa Barbara,  
CA 93105, Tuesdays 6:30 pm  
Co-Presidents: Joe Bailey Email: joe-fisherman@hotmail.com  
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### Thousand Oaks

**Meeting:** Palm Gardens, 495 Ventu Park Rd. , Thousand Oaks  
Wednesdays 7:15 am;  
ALSO—Social Mtg. "First Friday" night each month; location varies  
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Ph: (805) 492-2133  
Secy: Gloria Dyok Email: gloriadyok@verizon.net  
Ph: (805) 402-1297 Cell (Text preferred)

### Ventura

**Meeting:** Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd., Ventura,  
Fridays 12:00 pm  
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Ph: (805) 648-1733  
Secy: Matt Kohagen Email: revmrk@aol.com  
Ph: (805) 795-1445 (cell)

### Ventura Suburban

**Meeting:** Marie Callender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave.,  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:30 pm  
President: Brendan Hendrick  
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# DIVISION 42 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## **APRIL 2016**

**Thursday, April 14th**

**DCM @The Arc—Ventura**

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003  
Santa Barbara Club hosting  
Election of 2016 - 2017 Division Officers

**April 8—10, 2016—Sacramento Convention Center: Key Club DCON**

**April 16, 2016—Simi Valley Kiwanis Club: Round\*Up: A Rockin' Country Music Extravaganza**  
**(We need volunteers)**

**April 21, 2016—Conejo Valley Kiwanis Club: Trivia Night, 5:00—8:30 pm**

**April 22—24, 2016—Circle V Ranch, Santa Barbara: Key Leader Camp**  
**(Chaperones needed)**

## **MAY 2016**

**Thursday, May 12th**

**DCM @The ARC—Ventura**

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003  
Ventura & Ventura Suburban hosting

**May 16, 2016—Oxnard Kiwanis Club: Oxnard Strawberry Festival**  
**(We need volunteers)**

**JUNE 2016 - Date TBD**  
**No DCM—CLE training!**

**June 4, 2016—Oxnard Club**  
**Tower 2 Tower Stair Climb Fundraiser**

**June 23 - 26, 2016**

**Kiwanis International Convention**  
**Toronto, Ontario**

## **JULY 2016**

**Thursday, July 14th**

**DCM @The Arc—Ventura**

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003  
Carpinteria & South Coast hosting  
Governor-Elect Candidates Visit

**AUGUST 11-13, 2016**

**Cal-Nev-Ha District Convention -**  
**Las Vegas, NV**

**SEPTEMBER 2016**

**No DCM—Installation**

