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Hello Kiwanians-

As we welcome the beginning of summer, a season often associated with warmth, growth, and renewed energy, we are also mindful of the many challenges that persist around us.

Across the globe and within our own communities, countless individuals continue to be affected by conflict, displacement, and deepening divisions. To those experiencing hardship, fear, or uncertainty, we see you. We honor your strength and hold space for your stories. Now more than ever, empathy, understanding, and solidarity are essential.

Our commitment to supporting one another remains strong. Through outreach, advocacy, mental health initiatives, and simply reaching out to one another, we strive to show up. For our communities, for those most in need, and for one another. It's in the small, consistent acts of care and connection that meaningful change begins to take root.

This month we celebrated Father's Day, a moment to recognize and appreciate the fathers and father figures who make a positive impact in our lives. Their love, guidance, and steady presence often go unspoken but are deeply felt. Let's honor not only the joy and strength they bring but also their emotional well-being, as we create space for fathers to be seen in the fullness of their experiences.

June also marks Male Mental Health Awareness month, a time to shed light on the unique mental health struggles that many men face, often silently. Societal expectations and outdated stigmas still prevent too many from speaking out or seeking help. This month, we encourage open conversations, compassionate listening, and collective efforts to ensure that no one feels they have to carry their pain alone. Vulnerability is not weakness; it's courage in action.

As summer unfolds, let's carry forward empathy, resilience, and the unwavering belief that together, we can continue to serve our CommUnitites and provide them with the opportunities that are not afforded without our actions. Thank you for doing everything that you do. You are all appreciated!

Temo Solorio



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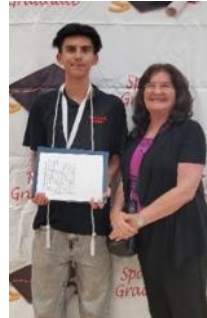
Camarillo

Allen Grizzard-Paul Reporting

It's been another busy month for our club, presenting scholarships to three of our high schools, having two great meetings with interesting speakers, while trying to keep up with all our SLP activities. Builders Club held their last meeting where they presented Kiwanis Advisor Linda Thayer and School Advisor Mrs. Ventura thank you posters. They also collected toys and food for the Animal Shelter and had a field trip to deliver them, where they got to play with some of the animals. Key Club held their first DCM of the New Year. KIWIN'S held their Turquoise Div. Banquet at the park, and the KIWIN'S District Board held their "In Person Training" at Cal Poly, Pomona—a great weekend of training and bonding.



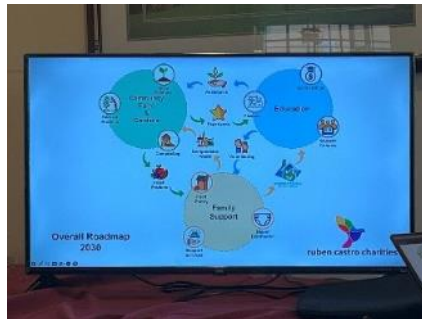
Scholarships at Rancho Campana and Adolfo Camarillo High Schools



Deputy Meeks presentation on scams in Ventura County. The T.O. club joined us.



Rubin Castro Charities presented community gardens at Moorpark.



Builders Club last meeting



Builders Club field trip to the Animal Rescue shelter, where they delivered food and toys.



Key Club DCM



KIWIN'S Banquet and Awards



Did someone say, "KIWIN'S, how do you feel?"

Moorpark

Ute Van Dam Reporting



Moorpark has TERRIFIC Kids and TERRIFIC volunteers!



L - R: Builder's Club shows off the new Bulletin Board they created; Ute, Bruce, and Mark liked the Moorpark Apricot Festival; Wendy and Debbie at the Moorpark food pantry Mother's Day event; Debbie and Denise at the food pantry.



Wendy, Bruce, Debbie, Bryan, Mark, and Ute served at the Memorial Day commemoration.



Moorpark Kiwanis runs the Military Banner program, and we just had new banners installed!



L - R: Our monthly social was hosted by Wendy and Bruce; Mark, Bryan and Steve; Danielle, Emily, Cat, and Deb



L - R: Steve, Joanne, Bryan, Janet; Traci, Cat, the Edwards-Neff's; Mark, Sharon, Steph, Tom, Barb; Ute and Stephanie



Kiwanis of Oxnard once again provided volunteers for the 2025 California Strawberry Festival held at the Ventura County Fairgrounds on May 17-18. It was a very festive weekend with local bands like Los Xiqueños and the Brandon Ragan Project performing for festival-goers. Our two days of volunteering helped raise money for our community projects. We typically receive 6% of the sales generated. All in all, we sold about 2,000 strawberry beers over the weekend event. Thank you to all who volunteered to help make this event a success.



Meet Yaretzi; she's a 2025 graduate from Rio Mesa High School. She's been participating in the Seaside Cowboys Horsemanship program for the last 10 months, and she will be assisting our program this summer. Kiwanis of Oxnard has been a supporter of this non-profit because of its continued work with our community's youth. If you know any youth interested in learning about horsemanship, please contact our group.

Santa Barbara

Marsha Gray Reporting

We had our scholarship dinner and awards event in conjunction with the Oddfellows service club. We awarded 10 scholarships in all and the Oddfellows awarded 4. In addition to the scholarship check, each awardee received a certificate of recognition from California Assemblyman Gregg Hart. Past Governor Gary Gray was the MC.



Proud Mom and Past President Angela Miller Bevan presented her son Jaxson with a \$2,500 scholarship. Michele Herrera presented Luna Ramirez Solano with a \$2,500 check. Roger Deck with recipient Ashley Barreto Flores.



Past president Walt Browne with Sagarika Manian. We gave out two memorial scholarships. One was the Brad Naegle award for \$3,500. Gary Gray presented this award to Fatima Arias-Zarate. In honor of recently passed member Anita Dominocielo-Ho, Lauren Loza presented a \$3,500 scholarship to Cenitha de Jesus Purday.



Josh Kane is our lead Kiwanian for the Hope of America Awards. This year we held the recognition of graduating middle schoolers at a luncheon on June 4. It was a full house with Kiwanians, honorees and their families. Each HOA recipient received \$100 from the Kiwanis Club of Santa Barbara.



L - R: Walt Browne presented Logan Muhr with his award; La Colina Junior High School Principal Jennifer Foster came to recognize student Xavi Sandoval; Janice Rorick had great things to say about recipient Lucca Diguilio; Brandon Lee is standing with his proud parents, the Dr's. Lee.



The Mobile Vietnam Memorial Wall was in Simi over an extended Memorial Day weekend. Our own Jeannie Liss led the project. Over 7,000 crocheted poppies were collected for the perimeter fence. Nellann and Harry Wilson were honored to carry her cousin Donny's piece and place it in the wall. Many of our members volunteered for the event.



A busy May at the Senior Center: we served lunch at the Older Americans Month celebration (left 2) and cooked and served our annual spaghetti dinner for the Senior Games Awards ceremony along with our SLPs and Scouts.



Four Simi Kiwanians were honored as Volunteers of the Year at the annual Community Council President's Breakfast. Our own honoree was Nick Esser, the American Association of University Women selected Lorraine Erickson, and the Simi Valley Historical Society chose Nellann and Harry Wilson. Fourteen of our members attended to cheer for them.



Left: Our Moorpark College Circle K International Club celebrated the end of their very successful year. Right: Five of our eleven scholarship recipients and their families were honored at a recent club meeting.

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



On Saturday May 10, Key Club Lieutenant Governor Jasleen and her team brought together Kiwanis K-Kids and Builders Club members for a short team-building session. Leadership and kindness were the focus. They worked together in teams and made Kindness Posters to display around their schools. Each group presented its poster. Teamwork makes the dream work.



The Thousand Oaks Club awarded scholarships with a total value of \$21,000 to seventeen graduating high school seniors this year, enabling them to pursue their higher education goals. Patrick Connolly (pictured at the podium) headed our Scholarship Committee, which selected the winners from among more than 93 applicants. We had a full house on May 14 and May 21, as many recipients were accompanied by family members. Many thanks also to club members who sponsored scholarships—Barbara Ashcraft, Frankcom Family, Sincok Family, Chuck Huffer, Sherril Hyink and Teta Van Ommeren.



Greceldy Hau, Aidan Light, Leslie Hernandez, Selena Tolosa, Ella Neale, Madison Geisler, Summer Reith, Van Stolper, Izsak Glasgow, and Serena Tabib received their award certificates and checks at our May 14 meeting.

Lucas Weinken, Emily Joseph, Kayla Oliver, Chris Balson, Grace Xiang, Claire Lee, and Minzy Yuan received their award certificates and checks at our May 21 meeting.



Conejo Valley Senior Concerns held its 31st annual Love Run Fundraiser June 1, and the Thousand Oaks Club was there to feed the runners and volunteers – about 2,500 in all. Kathy Smiley organized the effort and was happy when not only did all members who signed up show up, but a couple of other members just dropped in to help. And help was needed on a busy morning of cooking and serving pancakes and sausages. That's Lieutenant Governor Elect Paul Lopez in the chef's garb teaming with Lynn Burdick to cook perfect pancakes. President Robin Britt holds a tray of sausages (what's left of them – they went fast). Dave Freeman was the "batter-master."



Ventura Kiwanis attended the "year-bookend" dinner for the incoming and outgoing officers of the Ventura High Key Club.



The Ventura Kiwanis DATA Builders Club celebrated its last meeting after a very active and successful year.



Ventura Kiwanis Club enjoyed an insightful program by members of the Ventura County Civil Grand Jury.



This was a great year for Ventura scholarships. In cooperation with the now dissolved Santa Paula Kiwanis Club, we were able to give 7 scholarships at Santa Paula High. We also gave 8 to Ventura High students and one to a Buena student. The awards totaled \$46,000. Shown: Bart Bleuel with Ventura High recipients.



Division 42 THE HUB



Online Registration ends July 25th: \$300

On-site Registration: \$340

All-In Pass: SAVE \$50 by purchasing the All-In Pass for \$655!

Includes Registration, Rose Float Inter-club Breakfast, Awards Luncheon, Inter-club Luncheon, and the Installation Dinner!

100% Club Registration Form: \$1,120 (regardless of club size)

Annual Convention Golf Tournament Registration (Deadline July 25)

Angel Park Golf Club, 100 S Rampart Blvd. — Thursday, August 7, 7:00 a.m. shotgun start.
Register a foursome or individual player for \$100/player: includes golf, golf cart, and range balls.

Hotel Reservations - cut-off date is July 11, limited to our room block.

Convention Agenda

2025 Exhibitor and Sponsorship Prospectus

Certification of Delegates and Alternates (Online Form)

Division 42 Clubs & Meetings

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

Camarillo

Meeting: Contact Secretary for location.

Tuesdays: 1st, 3rd, & 4th - 5:30 pm

President: John Hayes Email: hpncopy@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 233-4601

Sec'y: Allen Grizzard-Paul Email: allengrizzard@msn.com

Ph: (805) 795-6279

Moorpark

Meeting: Contact Secretary for location.

3rd Monday: 6:00 pm Board Meeting,

6:30 pm Business Meeting, 7:00 pm Social

President: Mark Van Dam Email: vandamage@roadrunner.com

Ph: (805) 433-3305

Sec'y: Bruce Rokos Email: brucerokos@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 320-2094

Oxnard

Meeting: The 1901 Restaurant, 740 S. B St.

3rd Wednesday 6:00 pm; 2nd Thursday at DCM ;

2nd Wednesday Business Meeting via Zoom 5:30 - 6:30 pm

President: Pablo Gallegos

Email: pablo.gallegos@oxnardunion.org Ph: (805) 901-3798

Sec'y: TinaMarie Martinez Email: tinamarie.918@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 844-9145

Santa Barbara

Meeting: Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Ave.

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 12:00 pm

4th Wednesday Evening Social 5:30 pm (Location varies.)

President: Marsha Gray Email: marshagraysb@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 252-7093

Sec'y: Josh Kane Email: josh.kane@edwardjones.com

Ph: (805) 966-9902

Santa Susana

Meeting: Szechuwan Garden, 484 Los Angeles Ave., Moorpark

3rd Wednesday 11:30 am

President: Margaret Zoetowey

Email: margaret.sigurdsson@yahoo.com Ph: (805) 340-7673

Sec'y: Gary White Email: garywhiteallstar@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 660-7446

Simi Valley

Meeting: 99.1 The Ranch Studios, 1555 Simi Town Center Way,

#730, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:30 pm;

Denny's, 5197 E. Los Angeles Avenue,

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:00 am

5th Wednesdays, Club Social - various locations

President: Donna Smith Email: 3smitties@sbcglobal.net

Ph: (818) 281-4372

Sec'y: Mary Martin Email: martin.mary1226@yahoo.com

Ph: (805) 587-2235

Thousand Oaks

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

Wednesdays 7:15 am HYBRID: Live + Zoom (through Dec. only)

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

President: Robin Britt Email: rbritt@tokiwanis.org

Ph: (805) 824-9381

Sec'y: Lori Olbrich Email: tulipp78@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 428-7704

Ventura

Meeting: Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd.

1st & 3rd Fridays 12:00 pm

President: Andy Mack Email: amack@arvcv.com

Ph: (805) 539-8060

Sec'y: Bart Bleuel Email: bbleuel1@gmail.com

Ph: (805) 816-8646

Ventura Suburban

Meeting: via Zoom

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:00 pm

President: Brendan Hendrick Email: kiwinsda2000@aol.com

Ph: Home: (805) 642-8661

Sec'y: Tracey Hendrick Email: tnbhen@aol.com

Ph: (805) 642-8661



Division 42 Calendar of Events

Training & Club Events

June 25-28, 2025

Kiwanis International Convention
Circle K International Convention
Pittsburgh, PA

July 2-6, 2025

Key Club International Convention
Orlando, FL

July 3, August 7, 2025

Kiwanis Music Nights
Santa Barbara Kiwanis

July 4, 2025

Star Spangled Rock & Country Jam
Simi Valley Kiwanis

July 26, 2025

Division 42 Club Leadership Education
The ARC of Ventura, 5103 Walker St.

August 7-10, 2025

District Education Conference
Las Vegas, NV

August 16, 2025

Cool Breeze Century Bike Ride
Ventura Kiwanis

September 7, 2025

Governor's Visit and Division Installation
California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks

September 17, 2025

Kiwanis Dodgers Night (C-N-H Children's Fund)
Dodger Stadium



Division Council Meetings

October 10, 2024

No host club - Div. Leadership Team
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Oxnard Center

November 14, 2024

Hosting club: Camarillo
Location: kidSTR≈AM Museum, Camarillo

December 12, 2024

Hosting Club: Simi Valley
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Thousand Oaks

January 9, 2025

Postponed to Feb. due to power outage

February 20, 2025

Hosting Clubs: Santa Susana & Ventura Suburban
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Thousand Oaks

March 13, 2025

Hosting club: Ventura
Location: The ARC of Ventura, 5103 Walker St.

April 10, 2025

Hosting club: Oxnard
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Oxnard Center

May 8, 2025 Cancelled

Hosting club: Moorpark
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Thousand Oaks

June 12, 2025

Hosting club: Santa Barbara
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Oxnard Center

July, 2025

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August 14, 2025

Hosting club: Thousand Oaks
Location: Art Trek, Newbury Park

September, 2025

No DCM - Gov. Visit and Div. Installation

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2025 HONORS Breakfast

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8/9/25



Join us as we welcome Keynote Speaker Jade Wong, 2015-2016 KIWIN'S District Governor and past scholarship recipient.

Learn about Jade's journey as she shares how the CNH Foundation has helped transform her life.



A former KIWIN'S District Governor, Circle K Leader, and Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund scholarship recipient, Jade will share how support from the CNH Children's Fund has and continues to shape her journey—from student leader to global strategist to entrepreneur. Jade was the recipient of the 2016 Margo Dutton Scholarship and is a member of the CNH Children's Fund William A. Dunlap Fellowship.

Reminder

Remember the "All In-Pass" does **NOT** include Honors Breakfast tickets. Guests interested in attending the Honors Breakfast must [purchase Honors Breakfast tickets](#) in addition to the All In-Pass.



First Lady's Focus

Supporting pediatric cancer research & treatment programs

Did you know September is Child Cancer Awareness Month? Consider hosting a fundraiser to benefit First Lady June in her drive to raise funds for pediatric cancer research and treatment programs! [Make a gift today.](#)



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LAST CHANCE

Draw Date: August 10, 2025

\$75 per ticket

Prize value up to \$4,500!

Only 250 tickets will be sold!

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Our Dinner Anywhere for Two in CNH raffle is back! The prize includes and will be limited to, dinner at any restaurant within the Cal-Nev-Ha District, plus round trip coach airfare for two, two nights hotel accommodations, and a three-day rental car! Proceeds benefit our mission of building a better future for children and will support a select group of California-based children's hospitals. For tickets, contact any CNH Children's Fund Director or send us an email @ foundation@cnhkiwanis.org. Good luck!

ANNUAL BUDGET LETTER

Your support is what moves our mission forward! When you give to the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund you build a better future for our children. As your clubs create their 2025-2026 club budgets, we ask that you encourage them to include a gift to the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund. [Learn More](#)

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AUGUST 16, 2025

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Wednesday, September 17, 2025

7:10pm

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A Kiwanis group picture on the field (warning track) will become available to the first 75 that sign up for \$5. Ticket purchase is required! All proceeds are for the CNH Children's Fund! (Waiver & early arrival required. Player in picture is not guaranteed)



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How To Get Tickets:

Email cnhkiwanis13@gmail.com for questions and to reserve your tickets! You can purchase individual & group tickets! You must purchase a ticket to add the on field group picture option.
*Tickets will be sent through the MLB Ballpark App (Download)!

Payment

(Payment must be received to secure RSVP)

Zelle: southgatekiwanis@gmail.com

Venmo: @CAYPKiwanis2 (Last 4 digits 2018)

Check: Made out to South Gate Kiwanis

Mail Check to :

**South Gate Kiwanis
3848 Tweedy Blvd.
Suite B2 #561
South Gate, CA 90280**

(Make sure to confirm availability before submitting payment)

Who: Kiwanis Clubs, Service Leadership Programs, Friends, Guests, and Baseball Fans

What: Kiwanis Dodgers Night

When: Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Where: Dodger Stadium (1000 Vin Scully Ave., LA)

Time: 7:10 first pitch, recommend arriving at 6:00pm

Cost: \$45, Outer Reserve Level Seating
(\$12 of fee goes towards the Children's Fund)

* Parking is not included

Kiwanis Group Picture, First 75 (Optional): \$5

1st Deadline: May 30, 2025 (Prices may go up after!)