



## **BOB'S BACKDRAFT**

CAL-NEV-HA District Division 42 Newsletter

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A monthly publication for  
and about the Kiwanis Clubs  
of:

**Camarillo**  
**Carpinteria**  
**Conejo Valley**  
**Moorpark**  
**Oxnard**  
**Santa Barbara**  
**Santa Paula**  
**Santa Susana**  
**Simi Valley**  
**South Coast**  
**Thousand Oaks**  
**Ventura**  
**Ventura East**  
**Ventura Suburban**

I hope that the Holidays were a joyous and fulfilling time for you all. As we turn the page on the calendar remember the successes, forget the times we fell short, and put ourselves on the path to a happy new year!

December is always a busy time for Kiwanis. There are Santa visits. There are breakfasts to prepare and serve. There are toys to collect and distribute. December is the time to brighten the smiles of the kids in our communities.

December is also the time of the International President's visit and the gathering of clubs in preparation for float building and the Rose Parade. Several of us attended President Button's luncheon in the last week in December and enjoyed his speech dotted with the sound of his Canadian twist on words.

President Button is a straight-forward person and he drew a picture of Kiwanis at the crossroads. He recounted the founding of Kiwanis. There were two opposing camps in the Detroit #1 club. Should we be a business networking organization or do we choose to be one dedicated to good works and improving the world. He spoke of the time when Kiwanis as an organization nearly folded in its first year due to that very rift.

It is no secret, I'm not speaking out of school, when I say that President Button pointed out that we as an organization are again at a crossroads. He said that we can no longer pretend that our declining membership is not without consequence. We simple cannot serve the children of the world in the ways that we have done in the past. He identified that we need to recognize where we are going and to meet it head on. Complacency is the enemy that we all must defeat! Change is difficult but to not change is fatal.

He summed up his speech with a call to reignite the three flames that burn in any successful organization, the foundation on which we build our clubs. Fun. Fellowship. Service. If you don't like how your club is, do not look to others to do the work of making it better. It is up to YOU to step up and fix it in the same way the founders of Kiwanis change their fledgling club to be the service based organization to which we were all attracted. He challenged us all to follow in the footsteps of those who came before and, then, to lead those who are to come. We must not let either group down. I wish you all could have been there!

I look forward to seeing you all at the DCM and to deciding on our division project in the coming month. Don't forget that we meet at the Camarillo Airport museum hosted by the Camarillo and Oxnard clubs. It promises to be an interesting location!

Bob Engler

**LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.**

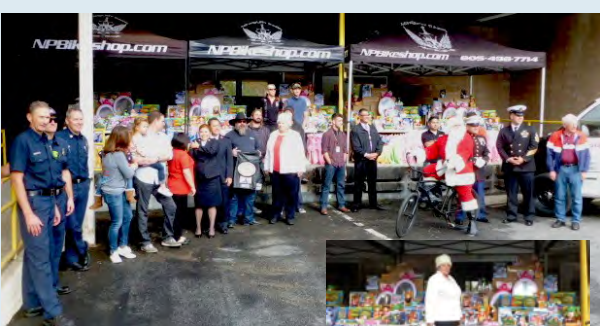
# Conejo Valley Kiwanis

Roger Klausler reporting

The past two months have been busy ones for our club and our three SLP's.

On November 8, 28, and 29, we supported AYSO Region 42 (a fortuitous confluence of numbers) at Pepper Tree Park on November 8, 28 and 29 by distributing mister bottles to the team parents, doing face painting for the kids and providing field monitors.

December 6 saw our annual participation in the Ventura County Children's Services Auxiliary holiday party in Oxnard for foster families. Our regular photographer was not available so HUGE THANKS go to Rosana Swing of the Carpinteria club who stepped in to make the event possible. We placed her professional-grade photos in frames and gave them to the families at no cost.



increase from the previous year. It has already won the very first Pediatric Trauma Program through a summer potluck, and it has also raised money for The Eliminate Project through the Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF program.

Members of our club and the Newbury Park High School Key Club again journeyed to Pasadena on December 28 to help decorate the Rose Parade floats.

The Sycamore Canyon Builders Club collected food for Manna Conejo Valley Food Bank. Also, working through allittakes.org, the club selected seven families—28 people—to treat during the holidays. They read the story behind the families' struggles and got to know their names, ages, sizes, wants and needs so that they could really buy them special presents. AND they got to deliver to the families and meet them. At a Make-A-Wish event, the club donated 1,128 letters, which translated to a donation by Macy's of \$1,128 to the Foundation.



On December 12 Conejo Valley Kiwanis picked up 370 toys collected by former member Dorothy Sullivan and her Newbury Park Bike Shop. We gave the toys to members of the Live Ride Church in Simi Valley to distribute to kids whose parents are incarcerated. The Naval Base Toys For Tots, Ventura County Fire Department, Salvation Army, and Ventura County Sheriff Department also received 370 toys each.

The Agoura High School Key Club experienced a huge membership increase from the previous year and is on its way toward becoming the biggest club on campus again. The club held a fundraiser for the

first "Club of the Week" award. The club held a fundraiser for the

Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF program.



On December 16, we were pleased to welcome Lt. Governor Bob Engler, who said, "When prospective members ask, 'What does Kiwanis offer?' the answer is 'An engaged membership that appreciates the opportunity to provide service.'" One of his favorite quotations is, "If we try to bring happiness to others, we can't help but bring happiness to ourselves." He congratulated our club for being one of only two in the Division to make the pledge to become a Model Club for The Eliminate Project.

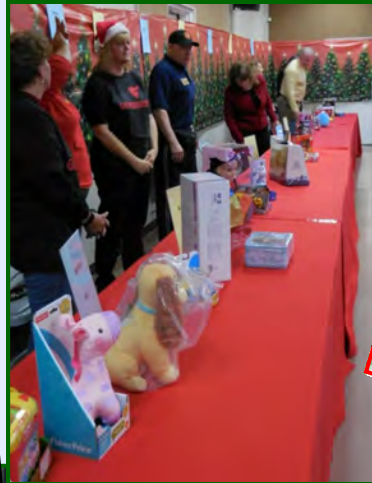
We invite you to go to <http://conejokiwanis.org> for full details about Conejo Valley Kiwanis and our SLP's.

As we determine the best new meeting location, please contact Roger Klausler ([rklausler@gmail.com](mailto:rklausler@gmail.com)) for location information if you are planning a club visit!

# Moorpark Kiwanis

Ute Van Dam reporting

Moorpark Kiwanis Club held their 17th annual Breakfast with Santa event. Over 300 children enjoyed the morning with breakfast, live entertainment, a gift, and a visit with Santa. The Moorpark community collaborated to make this event a huge success. McDonald's donates a pancake breakfast to each child; gifts are donated by community members and local businesses; the Moorpark High School Jazz Ensemble plays Christmas songs; students from the MHS Key Club and Campus Canyon Builders Club helped decorate, serve and clean; students from Community High School lent their talents at the face painting station; other student volunteers provided magic tricks; Love on a Leash brought therapy dogs for all to enjoy; the City of Moorpark donated the facility; Moorpark Presbyterian Church provided tables; and the Moorpark Morning Rotary Club also chipped in with gifts and volunteers



# Oxnard Kiwanis

## *Breakfast with Santa*

Dawn Boldrin reporting



**A message from Lt. Governor Bob Engler.**

For those who are not already aware... It is with sadness that I tell you of the death of one of our Division 42 members and a vital part of our Oxnard club.

Debra Dettenmayer passed away this last weekend unexpectedly and has left a hole in the hearts of her family, friends, and the Club that will be difficult to fill. She was an active Kiwanian for the Oxnard club and served on the board of directors as Treasurer. She was a leader in the community and the face of Kiwanis in many events held in that town.

Join with me in sending our thoughts and prayers to her family and to her many Kiwanis friends throughout the Division. She will be missed.

Please visit this link for more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/pudqmms>

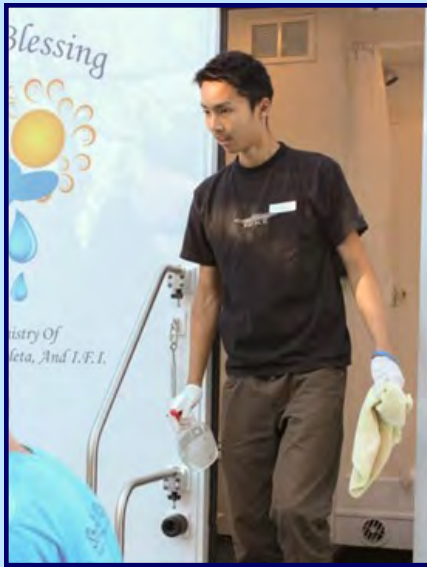


# Santa Barbara Kiwanis

Anita Dominocielo-Ho reporting

## LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

### Santa Barbara Kiwanis UCSB Circle K Club



CKI Club came out in force to assist with the portable showers for the homeless in Goleta.

After **Mun Chan** cleans and scrubs the showers, he caringly works with one of the participants in select clean clothes before he enters the shower.

The showers have been operating for only a few weeks and we have already heard an abundance of **positive feedback from the 32 people they've served, including comments such as "What a blessing!" and "I felt human for the first time in months."**

This reminds us how we take a daily shower for granted every single day!



Here is one of many week day shifts of UCSB CKI Club members who came out to help.



# Santa Susana Kiwanis

Angela Jones reporting

Dec 14 Santa Susana & Key Club members rang the Salvation Army's Bell.



Twenty members from Santa Susana Key Club and five members from Santa Susana Kiwanis, waiting their turn to decorate floats for the Rose Parade, December 27, 2014.

# Simi Valley Kiwanis

Chris Keuther Reporting



It was another busy month for the Simi Valley Club. Every Saturday in December and from the 26<sup>th</sup> through the 31<sup>st</sup> we were at the Rosemont Pavilion in Pasadena with our ChuckWagon helping to feed the volunteers and float builders.

On December 15<sup>th</sup> members arrived at Berylwood Elementary to begin flipping flapjacks for the school's annual Santa Pancake Breakfast, we served about

LUNCHTIME AT THE ROSEMONT PAVILION



Service with style at the Rosemont Pavilion

500 students and their families.



The students had a chance to visit with Santa after they had their breakfast. Our club also participated in two rounds of caroling on Friday December 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup> at our local assisted living facilities. We had a nice turn out from our K-Kids, Builders Clubs

THE FINISHED FLOAT!



# South Coast Kiwanis

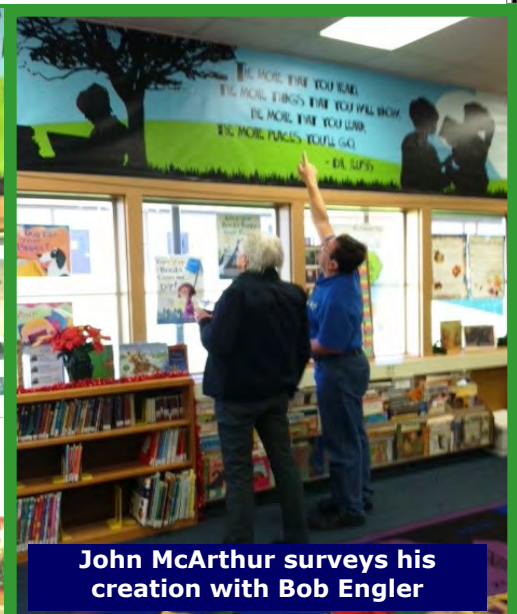
Judy Bischoff reporting

*The Kiwanis Club of the South Coast held their Christmas Party on December 9<sup>th</sup> with members, prospective members and Lt. Governor Bob Engler. Our Lt. Governor Bob Engler showed his intellect and knowledge by winning the quiz on our National Parks!*



# Thousand Oaks Kiwanis

Lenore Lewis reporting



John McArthur surveys his creation with Bob Engler

Proving that the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks takes its reading projects to heart, members spent time at Title 1 school, Conejo Elementary in Thousand Oaks over Holiday Break to install the crowning touch on their ongoing Library project there.



From left: Lenore Lewis, Past Lt. Gov. Brad Lewis, Lt. Gov. Bob Engler, Katy Porter and Past TO President David Biedebach admire all the hard work going on at the Rosemont Pavilion



Lt. Gov. Bob Engler with International President John Button at the Luncheon in Pasadena

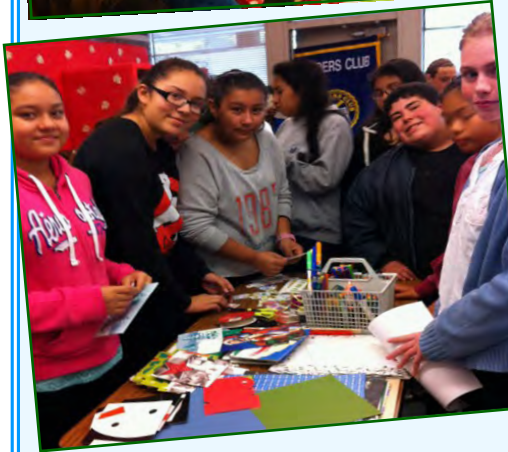
In addition to reading to students each week, Kiwanians have been assisting the librarian in shelving, checking in and out books and whatever is needed by the very grateful librarian! Kiwanian John McArthur, a professional artist, designed the banner which contains the Dr. Seuss quote, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

# Ventura Kiwanis

Judy Mullins reporting



Ventura Kiwanis with the help of Ventura High School Key Club officers kicked off the holidays with an Annual Kids Holiday Party. A total of 71 developmentally challenged Ventura School District students enjoyed lunch, gifts and a surprised visit from Santa Claus funded by the Ventura Kiwanis Club.



In addition, DATA Middle School students decorate a box to hold their "pasta" donation to Food Share. DATA Middle School students also wrote letters to Military Soldiers serving our country



The annual cookie baking contest was a success at Ventura Kiwanis weekly lunch meeting, congratulations to the winner: Kathy Kinnear.



The Annual Kiwanis of Ventura Basketball Tournament host teams at their weekly lunch meetings. Congratulations to Buena High Girls BB team for taking first place.



# 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: Allen Grizzard-Paul  
Email: allengrizzard@msn.com Ph: (805)-782-6279  
Secy: Cecelia Rexford P.O. Box 533 (club address), Camarillo, 93011  
Email: aachskiwinsadvisor@gmail.com Ph: (805) 647-1081

## Carpinteria

**Meeting:** Memorial Bldg., 941 Walnut Avenue, Wednesdays 7:00 pm  
President: Dorinda Macias  
Email: dorinda@islandviewnursery.com Ph: (805) 680-4581  
Secy: Rosana Swing  
Email: rsrdswing@gmail.com Ph: (805) 680-2670

## Conejo Valley **\*\* updated location info**

**Meeting:** **EMAIL Roger Klausler for latest information!!**  
Tuesdays 11:45am  
President: Laura Fair  
Email: lfairdmv61@gmail.com Ph: (805) 796-1039  
**Secy: Roger Klausler Email: rklausler@gmail.com**

## East Ventura **\*\* New Location & info**

**Meeting:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday @ 5pm speaker 1st Wed; Bd. Mtg. 3rd Wed.  
**Main Street Restaurant & Steak House**  
3159 E. Main Street—Ventura  
President: Mike Ewens Email: Taosmike@aol.com  
Ph: Home: (805) 644-1941; Cell: (805) 258-9668  
**Secy: Connie Poulsen Email: cpoulsen@att.net \*\* updated info**  
**Ph: (805) 642-2900 (Cell) 805-216-8105**

## Moorpark

**Meeting:** Moorpark Chamber of Commerce, 18 E. High St.,  
1st Mondays 7:00 pm  
President: Ute Van Dam Email: vandamage@roadrunner.com  
**Ph: (805) 433-3306 \*\* corrected phone #**  
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: Dawn Boldrin  
Email: DNoordaBoldrin@itt-tech.edu Ph: ?????  
Secy: Daniel Martinez  
Email: Daniel.martinez@ci.oxnard.ca.us Ph: Cell (805) 844-9145

## Santa Barbara

**Meeting:** Mesa Café, 1972 Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara,  
Wednesdays 12:00 pm  
President: Peter Gorgi  
Email: peter@santabarbarainsuring.com  
Ph: (805) 962-0794  
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  
President: Dan Robles Email: conan0421@hotmail.com Ph: (805) 525-1460  
Secy: Jerry Burns Email: volleyballjerry@aol.com  
Ph: (805) 499-7067

## Santa Susana

**Meeting:** Junkyard Café, 2585 Cochran St., Simi Valley,  
Wednesdays 12:15 pm  
President: Jeff Bertoniere Email: jeffsreteam@gmail.com  
Ph: (805) 377-0130  
Secy: Sonja Cohen Email: sonja\_cohen@yahoo.com  
Ph: (805) 522-6246

## Simi Valley

**Meeting:** Junkyard Café, 2585 Cochran St., Simi Valley,  
Wednesdays 6:45 am  
K-Too Meetings - 2nd Friday Night of Each Month, 6:30pm  
(Location Varies) Call (805) 377-4329 for information  
President: Gwen Major Email: gwenmajor@gmail.com  
Ph: (805) 581-4890  
Secy: Chris Kuether Email: svkiwanissecretary@gmail.com  
Ph: (515) 277-8955

## South Coast

**Meeting:** IHOP Restaurant, 4765 Calle Real, Santa Barbara,  
CA 93105, Tuesdays 6:00 pm  
President: Julie Bischoff  
Email: jbb@jwbailey.com Ph: (805) 729-2644  
Secy: J R Gardner Email: gardn8j@cox.net Ph: (805) 967-5801

## Thousand Oaks

**Meeting:** Palm Gardens, 495 Ventu Park Rd., Thousand Oaks  
Wednesdays 7:15 am;  
**Social Mtg. "First Friday" night each month; location varies**  
President: Sandra Lee  
Email: sanlee123@sbcglobal.net Ph: (805) 907-9010  
Secy: Gloria Dyok Email: gloriadyok@roadrunner.com  
Ph: (805) 492-8679

## Ventura **\*\*Corrected info**

**Meeting:** Poinsettia Pavillion, 3451 Foothill Rd., Ventura, Fridays  
12:00 pm  
President: Kris Etzler  
Email: bapkke@aol.com Ph: **(805)-558-1262.**  
Secy: Matt Kohagen Email: EPTCB64@gmail.com  
Ph: Home: (805) 795-1445 Cell: (805) 795-1445

## Ventura Suburban

**Meeting:** Marie Callender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave.,  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:30 pm  
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

## JANUARY 2015\*\*\*\* DCM

Thursday, January 8th—

Special location...

*The Commemorative Air Force Museum in  
Camarillo*

**455 Aviation Drive, Camarillo, California  
93010**

*Thanks to Camarillo & Oxnard Kiwanis for providing  
dinner this month!*

## FEBRUARY 2015

No DCM this month—see you at MID-YEAR  
at the gorgeous Mission Inn in Riverside!

**Saturday, February 21st—**

*Mid-Year @ The Mission Inn—Riverside, CA*

## MARCH 2015

Thursday, March 12th—DCM @The ARC—Ventura

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003

Thanks to Thousand Oaks Kiwanis for providing dinner this month!

## **Save the Date!**

**Sunday, March 29th**

**Governor Alan Guire's visit—**

River Ridge Golf Course, Oxnard

## APRIL 2015

Thursday, April 9th

DCM @The ARC—Ventura

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003

Thanks to Santa Barbara Kiwanis for providing dinner this month!

**SATURDAY APRIL 18TH**

**ROUND UP: A**

Rockin' Country Music Extravaganza!

[www.roundupsimi.com](http://www.roundupsimi.com)

## MAY 2015

Thursday, May 14th

DCM @The ARC—Ventura

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003

Thanks to Ventura, East Ventura & Suburban for providing dinner this month!

## JUNE 2015

No DCM this month... see you all at CLE training!

## JULY 2015

Thursday, July 9th

DCM @The ARC—Ventura

5103 Walker Street—Ventura, CA 93003

Thanks to Carpenteria & Conejo Valley for providing dinner this month!

## AUGUST 2015

No DCM this month... see at DCON!

## SEPTEMBER 2015

No DCM this month... See you at Lt. Gov. Elect Lou's Installation!!

