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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Let our New Year's resolution be this:

We will be there for each other as members of Kiwanis and the communities and people we serve.

New Year is a good time to reconfirm our Goals for each other and for our clubs.

Let's continue to have a Great Year and have fun, do **SERVICE**, and Invite Guests to our club meetings and service projects

Let's make these New Year Resolutions:

For each club to be represented at Mid-Year and District convention.

For each club to have members represented at each DCM.

For each club to support our Division 42 Special Olympics Service Project.

For each club to have in place their **LEAD**ership succession plan for next year.

For each club to be represented at our Governors Visit March 29th.

Simi Online At our next DCM **Paul Campbell**, our Membership chair for the Division 42 Lead-Simi Valley South Coast reship Team will be our speaker and will highlight what we can do to **GROW** our clubs.



From CONEJO VALLEY

Roger Klausler reporting

On Saturday, December 7, at the annual Ventura County Children's Services Holiday Party, we organized the printing and distribution of professional portraits taken by Marvin Steindler. About 300 foster children and adults attended and enjoyed a lunch provided by the Oxnard Elks Lodge. The kids spoke with Santa and received gift books of their own choosing.

Two of our members went down to Anaheim to take advantage of the Scholastic Book Fair on December 17. For less than \$200 we were able to purchase 90 soft- and hard-cover books to donate to local public schools and to give as gifts to foster children through Ventura County Children's Services

On December 27, members of the Newbury Park High School Key Club went with the Past President of our club and a couple parents to Pasadena to decorate a Rose Parade float; we were assigned to the City of Alhambra's entry. Since it was only one day of decorating, there was a lot of detail work to be done, cutting flowers, gluing seeds (harder than it looks!) and running a vacuum cleaner. The most common comment was, "I never realized that so much work goes into the floats." We received T-shirts and lunch and great appreciation for our volunteer work on the floats.

At the Mid-Year South Conference in Garden Grove on February 1, our club will be named "Medium Club Runner-Up" in the 2012-1013 Inter-club Mileage Award Competition.

Nine members of our club have approved Background Checks through Cal-Nev-Ha and, at this writing, we are only 3 members short of having 100% compliance with the requirement to affirm understanding of K I's Youth Protection Guidelines.

From VENTURA

Matt Kohagen reporting

December for Ventura club was busy with parties, basketball tournaments & bell ringing. January is much quieter. We're having a white elephant gift exchange at our meeting on Friday, Jan. 03.

From SIMI VALLEY K-KIDS COUNCIL NEWSFLASH

SOLES for SIMI, K-Kids' first Grass Roots event, kicks off when school starts in January. Vice President Brice has done an outstanding job prepping and organizing this campaign for gently worn shoes that we are going to donate to those not as fortunate as us here in our own city. With SOLES for SIMI, we are hoping to help children and adults with these donations.

Our All Hands meeting on December 18th found 46 amazing kids bustling with excitement and ready for service. They again wrote Letters to our Armed Service personnel which were presented jointly with our donated See's candy to For The Troops. FYI, our Kiwanis Club ran a See's candy fundraiser recently and one of the options was called See's for Soldiers. Many of you, along with many other generous Simi Valley residents bought and donated 21 boxes of candy to be sent overseas to those serving our country.

The eliMiNaTe drive has wrapped up and we have collected a total of \$265.65 which will go towards protecting 147 women and their future offspring. We should all be very proud of this accomplishment.



Our Caroling at Vintage was greatly appreciated and we sang our hearts out to the music of the "Still In Tune" band. The house was packed and faces were filled with smiles and laughter. Santa stopped by for a visit and a great time was had by all. A heartfelt Thanks for those of you that were able to attended and I am already looking forward to next year's singing.

SIMI VALLEY Kiwanians had their usual very busy December, delivering gifts to disabled people, caroling, and providing food at the Rosemont Decorating Pavilion, along with our ongoing planning for April's big event., January sees our club in full gear lining up talent, selling tickets, gathering sponsors and making the SIMI VALLEY ROUND*UP the biggest one yet!

From MOORPARK The VanDams reporting

The 16th annual Kiwanis Breakfast With Santa event was a huge success! Multiple businesses and individuals donated toys to 300 Moorpark underprivileged children.

Moorpark McDonald's fed each child a delicious pancake breakfast. Moorpark Dental donated dental kits to all participants and Love on a Leash brought therapy dogs to provide a warm greeting everyone. The facilities from the City of Moorpark were the perfect venue for this event. Moorpark High School students from the KIWIN's club helped decorate, serve and clean-up. An enthusiastic group of students from Community High School shared their artistic talents in the facepainting station. Students from the California State University, Northridge Jazz Program provided live entertainment for all to enjoy.



We participated in a VERY successful Fall Festival Fundraiser for Los Prietos Boys Camp and Juvenile Probation Services

Santa Barbara and South Coast Kiwanis Clubs with the support of the UCSB Circle K Club were out in full force supporting the fundraiser. The silent auction, raffle, ticket sales and of course our delicious BBQ raised about \$15,000 for this first time event. The funds raised will be used to enhance educational and vocational programs for at risk youths. This is definitely a program that will be repeated next year.



From KIWINS Karina Wang reporting:

Tis the season from Turquoise Division!

KIWIN'S had a wonderful month celebrating the wonderful holiday season! The whole KIWIN'S District gathered in Pasadena on December 28, 2013 to help decorate floats for the annual Rose Float Parade. Turquoise brought about 60 members to work alongside Kiwanis in this amazing event. Other events such as the Camarillo Christmas Parade and a holiday party were also held. All in all, Turquoise plans on great things in the future and wishes all of you a wonderful new year!

From CAMARILLO Allen Grizzard-Paul reporting

Camarillo was busy in December. On December 7, we took over three locations to ring the bell for the Salvation Army raising a total of \$1,352.63.

On December 14, we entered a float in the local Christmas Parade and manned a booth at Santa's village to promote the Eliminate Project.

We are currently planning our Annual 5k/10K Race to be held on April 12. This year we are working with Brain Cancer Research. For more information visit the website <u>runtocurebraincancer.com</u>





The Kiwanis Club of Camarillo entered a float in this year's Camarillo Christmas parade. Our KIWIN'S designed and built the float and a number of their members rode in the float making sure that local community new who Kiwanis are and by the end of the parade everyone new how the KI-WIN's feel. This gave the Kiwanis Family much needed exposure in the community. At the end of the parade we had a booth to promote the Eliminate Project and Pediatric Trauma. Although we were nearly blown away by the almost hurricane winds, we gave away flyers on the Eliminate project along with our Club brochure and car seat stickers promoting child safety. To cap this we saved over 60 lives from MNT.

From THOUSAND OAKS,

Katy Porter reporting

On December 14, 2013 the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks sponsored a visit from Santa Claus to young students who are part of the local Neighborhood for Learning (NFL) pre-school, which serves many disadvantaged families.

Members of the Priority One Committee, committed to our youngest citizens up to age 5, put together a fun morning for about 40 youngsters and their parents. Snacks and activities were set up and enjoyed by all those young and old while waiting for the man from up North. Members Katy Porter and Barbara Green shopped and wrapped little gifts and books, and Margarita Assael provided child ID kits. Neighborhood for Learning Director Janet Fleming handed out healthy snacks. Activities included coloring, making colorful paper chains, reading and just being kids in the school playground.

A jolly elf, our own Irish John Gore, a former Division 42 Lieutenant Governor and Cal-Nev-Ha District Foundation Trustee, announced the arrival of Santa, in full costume (side note: this writer noticed that Kiwanian Doug Ryan and Santa were never seen together).

Kiwanians Ted Driscoll, Tori and Keith Gordon, Barbara Green, Steve Holt, Sherrill Hyink, Lenore Lewis, Brian Morgan, and Katy Porter provided guided support at the activity tables, and assisted the families to visit with Santa. Our beloved photographer Chuck Rogers took some fun pictures of the event, including a nice one with Santa that was published in our local newspaper, the Acorn.

Once Santa settled into his special golden covered chair, the children lined up to have a personal visit with the lively gentleman. Lots of friendly high-fives were exchanged, and boys and girls provided their names and ages to Santa and his helpers. Age appropriate wrapped gifts appeared for each child. The ubiquitous phone-camera captured the event for many of the young families, to be enjoyed again and again.

The NFL Director provided a comment to warm your heart. For one small girl, Saturday morning was her first time seeing Santa Claus, and she loved it. As the little ones left with pictures and selected gifts and books held close, you could almost hear, perhaps from overhead, "Merry Christmas to all, and to a good night!"





A HUGE "THANK YOU" TO ALL DIVISION 42 CLUBS FOR SUBMITTING YOUR GREAT NEWS AND PICTURES! My best wishes for a bigger and even better NEW YEAR to all,

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Meets Thursday 12:00 Noon The Tower Club, 300 E. Esplanade Dr., 22nd President: Jay Duncan Jay.duncan@ci.oxnard.ca.us Secretary: Daniel Martinez daniel.martinez@ci.oxnard.ca.us

SANTA BARBARA

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THOUSAND OAKS

Wednesday 7:15 AM Palm Garden, 495 Ventu Parkway President: Randy Senzig randysenzig@tomortgage.net Secretary: Gloria Dyok gloriadyok@verizon.net

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