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Don's Ruminations



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Governor's Visit 2020

On August 22, Division 42 hosted the 2020 visit of Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha District Governor Tim Cunning. There were 56 in attendance at the Moorpark Country Club, where a good time and a fine meal was had by all.

In addition to hearing from the Governor, we (1) de-installed the current Lieutenant Governor (that's me!), installed the new Lieutenant Governor (Debbie Heaslip of the Santa Susana Club), and installed the new Lieutenant Governor Elect, Matt Moore of the Santa Barbara Club. All of the changes take effect on October 1, 2020, for the 2020-2021 Kiwanis year.

We were honored to have as guests the newly-elected CNH District Governor, Gary Gray, and his wife Marcia, as well as the new District Governor Elect, Margot Dutton.

Our Master of Ceremonies was Tony Antonelli, former Lieutenant Governor and current Children's Fund Ambassador to Division 42.

It was explained to me years ago that Lieutenant Governors and Governors are the royalty of Kiwanis. That being the case, this was indeed a regal event.

The ancient Chinese had a mild curse which applies here: "May you live in interesting times." Classical Chinese society was very well-mannered and formal, and innovation and disorganization was to be discouraged and feared.

In some ways, Kiwanis had until recently developed the same routine – our weekly meetings, our monthly DCM's, midyears and annual conventions – were socially pleasant but not urgent or exciting or illuminating. We did what we did the way we did because we'd always done it that way.

All of that was dramatically changed by the Covid-19 crisis. So many of the things that we love about Kiwanis - the socializing, the close work with community leaders, children, and other volunteer groups - were suddenly not just unwise, but illegal!

We were suddenly living in VERY interesting times. Deprived of our mobility, we were forced to adopt electronics. We entered cautiously into new relationships through ZOOM, and most of us are now comfortable with it. Some of us love it. It was a change we would not have made without Covid – but we will reap the benefits of that change for years to come in the form of more flexible club and committee meetings and schedules, better public relations, and more widespread recruitment.

Clubs in the division have conducted virtual service projects and virtual fundraisers – I believe T.O. has scheduled an online version of its annual "Brewfest." The Simi Club is sponsoring a city-wide parade of food donations for the homeless and those affected by Covid. Other clubs are re-inventing their signature Projects to fit the post-Covid world.

We've had hundreds of Zoom regular meetings, and if they aren't quite as social as what we were used to, we were surprised at how interesting our fellow members were when we listened to them.

Clubs are trading notes and contacts regarding home-based projects, and are providing delivery services for others responding to the Covid threat.

I have been amazed and pleased with the stick-to-it-iveness demonstrated by our clubs and our SLP's.

When this is over – and it will be over some day – we'll all be delighted to meet and work in the open, without masks and without electronics. But we'll all – each and every club - know how to organize and conduct an online meeting or online workshop, how to recruit volunteers on Facebook, and how to better meet the teched-up needs of the children that are our responsibility.

Interesting – and ultimately rewarding – times indeed!

-Don

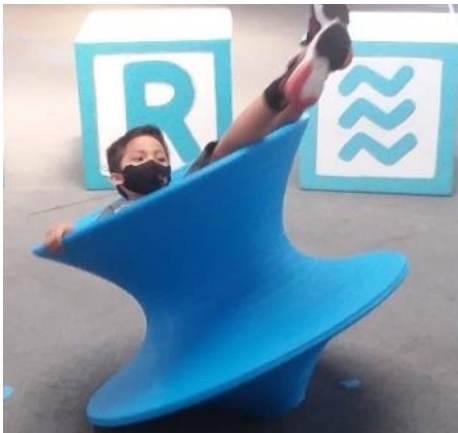
Although it has been another tough month with little activity due to the COVID restrictions, we are very blessed with three strong and active SLP Clubs. Although restaurant meetings are great, we have found that Zoom meetings can attract more guests, especially from our SLPs. Just this month we have been visited by the KIWIN's Governor, Angela Batoon and Turquoise Div. Lt. Governor, Kenneth Ramos; Key Club Div. 42W Lt. Governor, Rafael Apodaca and D42W Photographer Kaitlyn Schettler; KIWIN's Dist. Bulletin Editor, Jaylynn Cao; KIWIN'S Dist. Membership Development and Education Chair, Isabelle Orac; club Presidents and VPs, the list goes on. It has made us feel much closer to our Service Leadership Program.



Isabelle Orac, Jaylynn Cao, and Kenneth Ramos joined our last meeting. Just a word of warning: always keep smiling while on Zoom; you never know when someone will take a screen shot.



One of our members, Ryan Tape, had a bit of excitement this month, by getting his first hole in one. He attributes this not to luck, but to his dad. "Growing up with a professional-golfer-dad set the expectations for excellence quite high. I'm pretty sure I knew how to swing a golf club well by the age of 4.... thank you, Dad. Born with good genes and the best coach ever surely gave me a leg up when it came to being a decent golfer. However, after so many years, I just never expected to capture the greatest accomplishment (in my opinion) that the game of golf had to offer. After so many years... I finally got my first hole in one. It's an indescribable feeling. 141 yards... 9 iron. Thanks for all the help, Dad!"



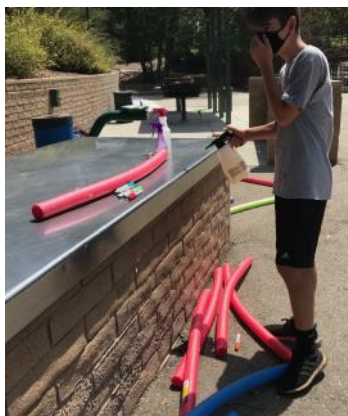
Kids take to it like "a duck takes to water."
Mary Grizzard- Paul proved that we may need a little help.



Our Signature Project had a great boost this month after receiving a grant from CAL-NEV-HA District Children's Fund. We were able to order five Magic Spun Chairs for the kidSTREAM Childrens Museum in Camarillo. They have received one so far, which was ready for the Governors Visit that, unfortunately, had to be rescheduled and relocated, and have four more on order. We are now looking forward to the next kidSTREAM Project to start working on.

Conejo Valley

Roger Klausler Reporting



Our club received approval of a \$600 Cal-Nev-Ha COVID-19 Community Assistance Grant to match \$600 from our Foundation. The Safe Passage gang-diversion program used the funds to provide scholarships for 40 kids. They were divided into six groups and rotated through recreational activities that taught 6-foot distancing and the importance of hand-washing in protecting themselves and their families from COVID-19. Just for fun, they had archery, pool noodles and a giant sling shot; everything was constantly sanitized. (The faces of the kids are re-touched to preserve confidentiality.) When we visited the program on August 5, we got to hold up the thank-you banner that the kids had made for us and had signed.



We joined the Newbury Park High School Key Club in collecting donations of milk, eggs and canned and packaged foods for distribution to needy families by Adelante Comunidad Conejo. Every Thursday, Betty and Tom Stapleford welcome the donations at their home, then take them to the United Methodist Church of Thousand Oaks on East Janss Road. The organization began with a desire to address concerns within the Valley's Spanish-speaking community regarding opportunities and services offered to their children in the local public schools.



Moorpark Kiwanis Club collected and dropped off over 60 children's books to Flory's Little Free Library!



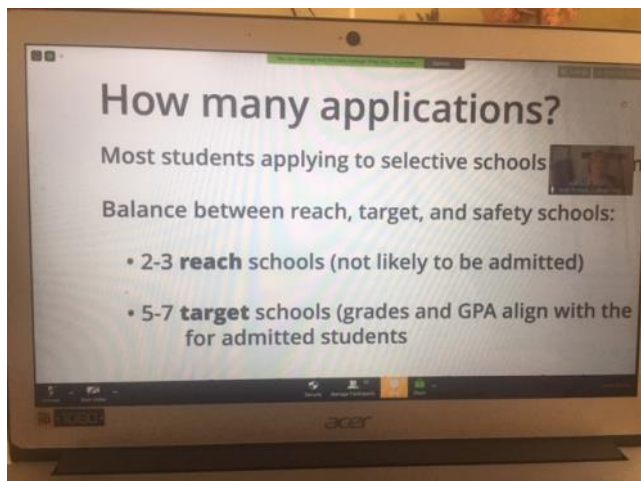
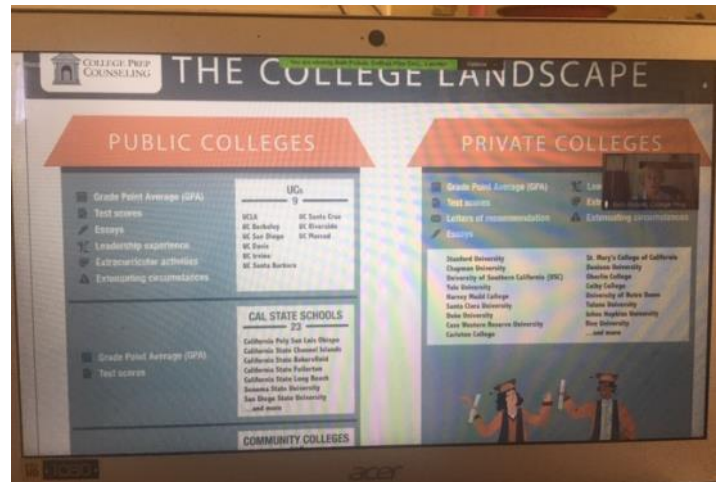
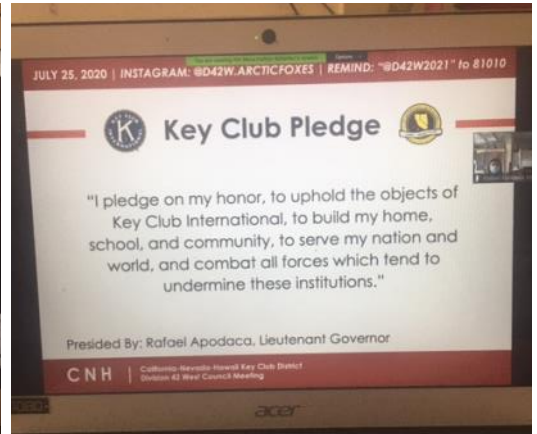
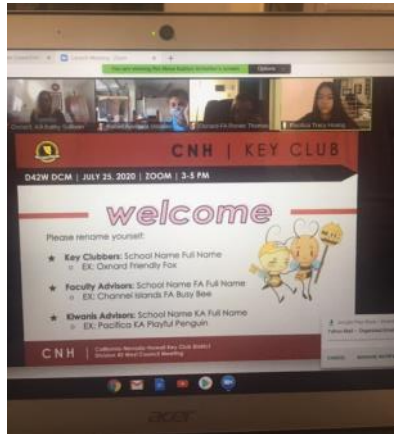
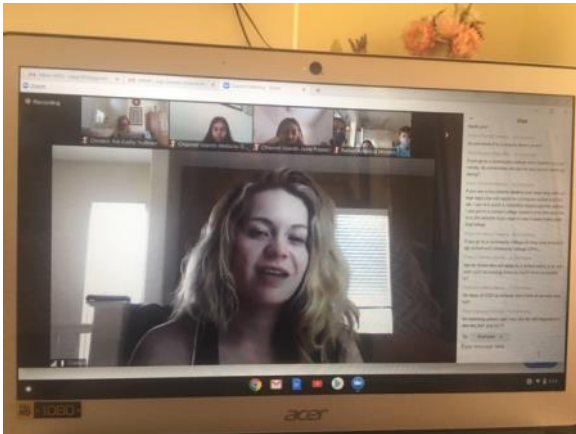
Moorpark Kiwanians organized, collected and delivered school supplies to the Moorpark Pantry Plus for students who need a helping hand.

For the month of July, Oxnard Kiwanis presented 3 scholarships to college-bound Key Club members. Each scholarship was for \$500. 00. Recipients were:

Vanessa Camareba from Oxnard High School, bound for UCSB.

Rahziel Ferrer from Pacifica High School, bound for UCLA.

Jessica Naranjo from Hueneme High School, bound for USC.



President Kathy Sullivan and President Elect Clarice Couey attended the Key Club DCM in July 25th via Zoom. Clarice arranged to Have a college prep counselor give a presentation. The presentation was from Beth Pickett of College Prep Counseling.

Santa Barbara

Anita Dominocielo-Ho Reporting

We Love Cleveland School, home of our BUG program.



Finally our club was able to do a community service project. We prepared and filled 45 backpacks with all the school supplies the kindergarteners from Cleveland School will need to begin an exciting new school year. An additional 25 sets of backpacks were also provided for any students who need one from the upper grades.



Welcome back, Ben Kirkland, Jr.

Ben was a member several years ago, but had to drop due to scheduling conflict. He now has a new job as a Realtor, and is able to start attending meetings AND doing community projects.



Governor Designate Gary!

Our own Gary Gray, busy at Zoom training meetings at the Cal-Nev-Ha Virtual Education Conference, working from Sparks, NV.



NEW BANNER

With time on our hands, we decided to update our banner, creating one for Presidents and Lt. Governors. More patches are being printed for Secretaries and Governors... which our club actually has had TWO of..., Sid Smith and currently Gary Gray!



NOSTALGIA TIME

Walking through parks and remembering our donation to build Sunflower Park in Santa Barbara in 1995.

Fun and Travel From the Couch!

Santa Susana has decided that even though we may be unable to get to places we would love to visit, we will not miss out on the joy of travel.

We are creating our very own "from the couch"

"International Travel Guide."

Each of our members has chosen a country they would love to visit, or have visited. After collecting some interesting facts, tourist info, a little of the language, photos, and a traditional recipe, they are all taking turns as our "Program" presenting their country. When we can once again be together, we are planning an amazing "Pot Luck" with these dishes. So far Australia (Gary & Karen) and Denmark (Sherry) have been highlighted. France (Katy) is on the menu for our August 30th meeting.



Good Day, Mate



Welkøm



CONGRATULATIONS TO DEBBIE

At the Virtual Learning Conference, Debbie Heaslip, our Treasurer and Division 42 Lt. Governor for 2020-2021 was surprised and overwhelmed when she was awarded a Dunlap Award from the Santa Susana club in appreciation of all her hard work and dedication.

Back to Serving those in Need

The Samaritan Center has resumed serving meals to the homeless in a "hybrid" manner. Debbie came to the rescue on short notice and prepared, packaged, and delivered 40 fried chicken To Go meals for distribution to those in need. With the motel residency program coming to an end, there is now a greater need for food service.

Buddie Blankets and Hats for Heroes Programs Still in Full Swing



Yummy, Yummy
Chicken in the
Tummy

Staying at home has given us spare time to dedicate to these wonderful activities. Members make these adorable blankets for children in Foster Care and for Operation Smile. Our hats are being saved for sending to our partner club in Chicago for their homeless shelters during the winter.





President Nellann Wilson recently surprised each member by delivering a thank-you gift bag containing Otter Pops, a bottle of water, and a custom club face mask! She sure lives up to her motto: "Giving from the Heart."



President and First Dude Nellann and Harry Wilson and Vice President Lee Hintlian helped Simi Valley Free Clinic Executive Director Fred Bauermeister with landscaping at the clinic's new facility, then a week later joined local Rotarians and Scouts to install its new flag pole, which our club was instrumental in providing.

The Kiwanis Club of Simi Valley presents the

GREAT AMERICAN FOOD DRIVE & Mini Parade!

A DRIVE-THRU FOOD DRIVE TO HELP COMMUNITY MEMBERS FACING FOOD INSECURITY AS A RESULT OF THE COVID CRISIS!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 | 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM
Simi Valley Senior Center | 3900 Avenida Simi



On Labor Day Saturday, Simi Valley Kiwanians will hold a food drive to help replenish local pantries stressed by the Covid-19 crisis. Our club received a \$500 grant from Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund to help with expenses.

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



The 2020 edition of BrewFest will be virtual. The date has been set for September 19, and the event will include a live-streamed program of information and commentary from the brewers, and entertainment. Thousand Oaks Kiwanians will deliver a sampler of featured brews the day before, for ticketholders to enjoy while they watch. Check our website, www.tobrewfest.com, for tickets and up-to-date information.



On August 12, President Steve Weiss led a contingent of Thousand Oaks Club members to Los Robles Hospital and Medical Center to present a Community Service Award to Amy Commans, Vice-President for Community, Employer and Government Relations at Los Robles. Amy has been part of the leadership team that within the past two years has guided the hospital's response to community crises, such as the Borderline mass shooting and Woolsey Fire, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic. Steve was accompanied by President-Elect Craig Burns, Secretary Gloria Dyok, and members Bob Engler, Jack Talbot, and John Prescott (with his wife Maria).



More than twenty people attended the Thousand Oaks Club's first live meeting since March on Friday evening, August 7. We gathered in an empty section of the parking lot of the Oaks Mall. Members circled the wagons and maintained social distance while enjoying each other's company. A short "business meeting" was followed by a social gathering, which attracted regular members as well as the Friday Night members. Since Friday night Zoom meetings had been underwhelming, so we decided to try a live outdoor meeting, and it was a big success.



Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin joined our Zoom meeting on July 8 to brief us on the State's budget issues and COVID-19 response and said that we will come together and get through this. She thanked our Club for what we do for the community.



Our club has held its "virtual" weekly meetings and Board of Directors meetings since the first week of April, 2020. We are very lucky to have Randy Senzig (shown with his imposing virtual background) and Larry Levine (in his home office) running the show.



Ventura Kiwanis is meeting every other week for sack lunches, meeting up with safe distancing in Arroyo Verde Park off Foothill in Ventura. Our latest meeting had 14 members attend, which for us was a record number.

Governor's Visit and Division Installation

August 22, 2020



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: Doug Hill
Email: doughillcpa@aim.com Ph: (805) 484-0496
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: Tom Stapleford Email: stapletc@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 405-3086
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
President: Steven Hoppel Email: stevehoppel@gmail.com
Ph: (424) 750-1103 Cell
Secy: Paula Driscoll Email: pdriscoll805@outlook.com
Ph: (805) 795-4865

Oxnard

Meeting: The Tower Club, 300 E. Esplanade Dr., 22nd Floor
1st Wednesday 12:15 pm ; 2nd Thursday at DCM ;
4th Thursday: Evening social with rotating location
President: Kathy Sullivan Email: katgirl826@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 405-8165
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 5:30 pm
President: Matt Moore Email: matthew@moorelawsb.com
Ph: (805) 452-4627
Secy: Walter Browne Email: walterbrowne1@yahoo.com
Ph: (916) 817-7584

Santa Susana

Meeting: Junkyard Café, 2585 Cochran St., Simi Valley,
2nd Wednesday 11:00 am
Zoom meeting - 3rd Tuesday 7:00pm
4th Sunday 12:30 pm (Call for location)
President: Ray Dempsey Email: dempsey.r@sbcglobal.net
Ph: (805) 501-5774
Secy: Gary White Email: garywhiteallstar@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 660-7446

(NOTE: During the COVID-19 pandemic, many clubs are meeting online. Contact Lt. Gov. Elect [Debbie Heaslip](#) for individual meeting details.)

Simi Valley

Meeting: First Street Family Restaurant, 2025 First St.,
Wednesdays x-2nd 7:00 am
After-Hours meeting - 2nd Friday, 6:30 pm
@ 99.1 The Ranch Studios, 1555 Simi Town Center Way, #730,
President: Nellann Wilson
Email: nanawilsn@yahoo.com
Ph: (805) 338-8062 Cell
Secy: Mary Martin Email: fmmartin7@sbcglobal.net
Ph: (805) 501-5621

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: Steve Weiss Email: steve@kirkjewelersca.com
Ph: (805) 416-4775
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
President: Kathy Kinnear Email: kkinnear@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 218-9731
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

August 14-15, 2020

Cal-Nev-Ha Convention - Online via Zoom

August 22, 2020

Governor's Visit and Division Installation - Moorpark Country Club

September 26, 2020

Key Club RTC - Location TBD

November 14, 2020

Key Club Fall Rally - Magic Mountain



Division Council Meetings

DCMs @ The Arc of Ventura
5103 Walker Street, Ventura

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Hosting club: Ventura

Thursday, November 14, 2019

Hosting club: Simi Valley

Thursday, December 12, 2019

Holiday Pot Luck

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Hosting club: Conejo Valley

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Hosting club: Santa Susana

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Hosting club: Moorpark

Thursday, April 9, 2020

Hosting club: Oxnard

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Hosting club: Camarillo

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Hosting club: Thousand Oaks –
Governor Elect Candidates

Thursday, July 9, 2020

Hosting club: Santa Barbara

August 2020

No DCM - District Convention

September 2020

Hosted by Division 42

NEWS YOU CAN USE

from the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund

SEPTEMBER 2020



With the help of a COVID-19 grant, members of the Kiwanis Club of El Monte assembled 2,000 bags to donate as part of the El Monte Unified School District Back to School Resource Fair.

SAY YES! TO COVID-19 GRANTS



Since introducing our new COVID-19 Community Assistance Grant Program in May, the CNH Children's Fund has awarded *nearly \$20,000 to 39 Kiwanis clubs!* We anticipate the interest for COVID-19 grants will continue through the calendar year, but we need your help to ensure we can continue to meet this demand. You can help by making a gift to the YES! Initiative. The **YES! Initiative** provides support for the most imperative priorities of the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund, such as the current demand for our COVID-19 Community Assistance Grant Program. From monthly contributions to outright donations, there are many ways you can make a gift to the YES! Initiative while also supporting our clubs and our shared communities. **Say YES! today!**

LAST CALL: MATCHING DUNLAPS!

Thanks to the hard work and generosity of our SLP members, you can be recognized with a new or upgraded membership to the William A. Dunlap Fellowship with a \$500 contribution! The remaining \$500 will be matched with funds raised by our SLP members for our PTP program. Funds are set to end on September 30, 2020, so [order yours today](#), before it's too late!

LEAVE A LEGACY: KPC BRICKS

Support the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund and leave your legacy at the Kiwanis District Office in Rancho Cucamonga! Your purchase of a brick, which will be placed in a pathway surrounding the Kiwanis Professional Center (KPC), 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. Bricks will be installed quarterly or semi-annually, depending on quantities. [Order yours today!](#)

AMAZONSMILE

Back-to-school season is officially here! Shop for school supplies and other essentials at smile.amazon.com/ch/94-1623498 and Amazon will donate a portion to the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund at no extra cost to you. It's that easy to shop *and* support us at the same time!

FLASHBACK WITH KIWANIS: PTP GRANTS

With the help of a PTP grant from the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund, the Kiwanis Clubs of Healdsburg and Cloverdale joined forces and partnered with 16 outside organizations to host a Community Safety Fair in September 2019. [Read about their project](#) and get inspired to [apply for your own PTP grant today!](#)

STAY IN TOUCH!

The 2019-2020 Kiwanis year may be coming to a close, but this doesn't have to be a goodbye! [Click here](#) to sign up for our weekly emails to keep up with the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund!



The Kiwanis Club of Temecula Valley used their COVID-19 Grant to provide emergency funding to the Temecula Community Mission of Hope Food Bank.



Kiwaniis
GLENDALE

Virtual **DUCK RACE**

10.24.2020

Join us for our annual Kids Incredible Duck Splash!

ADOPT DUCKS & WIN BIG BUCKS!

All in support of raising funds for the
Kiwaniis Club of Glendale community projects!

Support the Event by:

**Adopting Ducks,
Purchase a Banner.**

**Become a Duck Buddy, or
Become an Event Sponsor.**

VISIT - DUCKRACE.COM/GLENDALE
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM
[@DUCKSFORKIDS](https://www.instagram.com/ducksforkids)



Adopt ducks via the link below to benefit both the Glendale and Simi Valley clubs' foundations. (Simi gets 50%!) Or use the link above to form your club's own team as a Duck Buddy.
https://www.duckrace.com/glendale/adopt/?team_id=8366



Emergency Survival Kit

Kiwanis Club of Ventura Suburban

Contact us by:

Phone: 805.642.8661

Facebook: [Kiwanis Club of Ventura Suburban](#)

Description

For those times when we least expect it. A kit that will fit in your home, work, car, backpack, desk or any place where you spend time. A compact kit for any emergency.

The kit contains...

- Flashlight
- Gloves
- Goggles
- Mask
- Whistle

All for only \$10.00