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A publication for and about
the Kiwanis Club of:

- Camarillo**
- Conejo Valley**
- Moorpark**
- Oxnard**
- Santa Barbara**
- Santa Susana**
- Simi Valley**
- The South Coast**
- Thousand Oaks**
- Ventura**
- Ventura-Suburban**

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My fellow Kiwanians,

Break out the umbrellas, load up on sandbags! Suddenly, with a series of storms, our drought is over! Plants are green, ornamental apple and pear trees are blooming. Our Kiwanians are getting back to traveling and volunteering and making a difference all around our towns.

Take a pause and help yourself to some mulled cider, with a cinnamon stick, to enjoy the colder weather. Join me on the Kouch, and let's chat for a few minutes. You have a Kiwanis glow that comes from rosy cheeks and lots of helping with our youth and elderly, our hungry and our unempowered. Thank you for all you do!!

We completed our Mid-Year Conference in San Diego. I enjoyed seeing many of you there, as we had a joint training on "Closing the Back Door" – about retaining our members. We also had several breakout sessions, where you could pick an hour or pick a multi-hour track. One take-away – don't let past negative experiences prevent you from trying new things. Keep it fresh, and keep it fun.

Our membership growth in Division 42 is currently in the plus column, at plus 6 members. I'd love to see that number move into the double digits as we enter a busier time. Inviting friends and co-workers to volunteer at events is one of the best ways to give them something tangible as they are considering joining our family. Let them get their hands dirty, either cooking something yummy or improving our coastline with a pick-up day (for trash!), or joining an AKTION club event. There is no shortage of ways to help.

Coming up, we have our District Governor Rocci Barsotti joining us at River Ridge Country Club for a luncheon on March 10. I'm attaching our flier at the back of the newsletter. Please come to show Rocci our support for his messages of being active "The Power of ING" and of love with "The Heart of a Hero". Our Clubs will recognize their Heroes, with both DSA and CSA awards. Distinguished Service and Community Service Awards. Be there when members receive these honors directly from our club Presidents and from Rocci himself. In addition, the lunch at River Ridge is always delicious!

Get ready for our March DCM, or Division Council Meeting. All members are welcome to mix and mingle. We meet on the second Thursday of the month, which in March is on the 14th. We will have a presentation on Parkinson's Disease.

Now, turn (or scroll) the pages and check out what is happening in our clubs, as well as our hall of heroes. I look forward to hearing about your club activities, and the difference that you make. Remember that you are the heroes in MY life!

LIVE IT

SHARE IT

LOVE IT

District KIWIN'S Turquoise District Conclave

On Saturday, February 8, the Turquoise Div. KIWIN'S held their Conclave in Oxnard. This is where you see how the election process really works. Although there were 4 positions to be voted on this year, none of this year's candidates were challenged. However, they still had to work for their positions by formally being proposed by another member (1-minute speech), then the candidate has to introduce themselves with a 3-minute speech followed by a number of selected questions from the Lt. Governor and questions from the floor. Each candidate has to request permission to enter the room and then request permission to speak. They were very professional.

Three of the candidates are running for District Positions and they had to be approved by the members in attendance.

These were:

Sandra Ly for District Secretary; Ryan Sassower for District Treasurer; and Angela Batoon for District Bulletin Editor. All three were from Rancho Campana High School. They now have to stand for election at the KIWIN'S DCON in April.

The major event of the afternoon was to vote in a new Turquoise Division Lt. Governor for the 2019-2020 term. This was Cecilia Wong, better known as "CC" With a slogan of Vote "CC for Lt. G." her acronym had to be CCLG. Communication – Community – Leadership – Growth.

CC is currently the Rancho Campana club recording secretary and is also a member of the Communications and Member Relations District Committee. She came across as having a perfect personally and work ethic to be a great Lt. Governor.



Group photo of the KIWIN'S who attended this year's Conclave.



Sandra – Ryan - Angela



CC receiving the mascot from the outgoing Lt. Governor, Jessica Naranjo



Conejo Valley

Roger Klausler Reporting



Recently Isabelle Fox, Executive Director of Mending Kids, spoke to us about the surgeries and the care, education and training toward self-sufficiency that they have provided to over 3800 children in 64 countries since 1993. Mending Kids gathers volunteer teams of non-medical and surgeon volunteers to travel to help children who have no access to life-altering and life-saving treatment. The teams take on a 5-year commitment to do follow-up with each patient to meet their continuing needs. While in the country, the teams create self-sustainable mentorship programs in partnership with local surgeons and medical communities to build training grounds for the future so that local doctors and surgeons can do those same procedures within their expertise and the limitations of local conditions.

For more information:

isabelle@mendingkids.org

www.mendingkids.org

818-843-6363 x1007

1101 North Pacific Avenue, Suite 200, Glendale, CA 91202



On January 24 we resumed our alternate-month meal service for the needy in cooperation with Lutheran Social Services. At the Chinese Christian Church on Janss Road, we served four types of lasagna, rolls, two salads, mixed vegetables, brownies and cookies. Newbury Park High School Key Club members Jarod Narag and Carter Kawaguchi made lunch sandwiches, served the meal and gave out help bags of personal items.

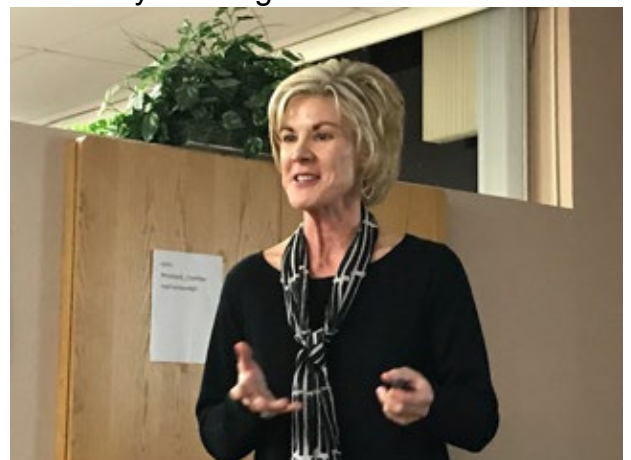
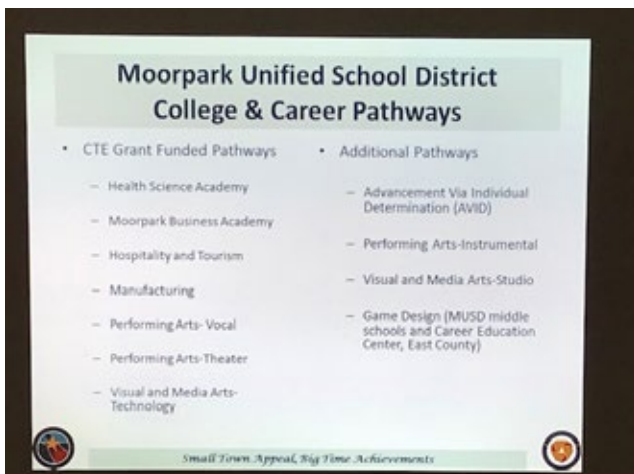


Seniors at Newbury Park and Agoura High Schools are busily completing their applications for our \$1000 college scholarships; the deadline is May 1.



Moorpark Kiwanians volunteer at the MHS Groundhog Day 5K run. We had a great time, even though we were in the pouring rain!

Superintendent and Moorpark Kiwanian, Dr. Kelli Hays, presents a state of the district presentation at our February meeting.



MUSD offers state of the art Career Pathways for our students.

Santa Barbara

Anita & Lauren Reporting



Judge Adams and Ofc Mark Corbett came to hear Jerry Siegel's presentation. Jerry had many interesting stories to tell from his years as a prosecutor with the U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District of New York. Since that office is in the heart of New York City, they prosecuted everyone from high rollers on Wall Street to mobsters.



We enjoyed and learned a lot from Jerry Siegel during his second presentation to our club. His first visit he talked about his experience during the famous Watergate period and this time he talked about "the mob lady", the Turkish assassin, etc. We are looking forward to part III next year.



Kiwanian Joan Melendez was able to visit with Judge Adams.



We were honored to have Wendy Sims-Moten as our speaker this month. She is Chair of the Santa Barbara Unified School Board and also on the Gateway Education Services board.



We are wishing Kiwanian Connie Alexander quick healing. She had knee surgery this summer and is slowly recovering, but she made it to the meeting.



Kiwanian Audrey Gamble (right) made sure Wendy was welcomed and ready for her presentation,



Kiwanis Club of Santa Susana



WE ARE A CHANGING !!

Beginning March 12th, the Santa Susana Club will be moving to a Lunch Time Meeting.

NEW Meeting Day & Time

Regular Meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the Month at the Junkyard Café from 11:45 am to 1:15 pm.



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MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN A SENIOR'S DAY

Madera K Kids get creative using bright colors and happy sayings in their designs on placements for the Meals on Wheels Program.



Friendship

At home and across the World.

K Kid members made friendship bracelets and matching kits, that will be sent to children in Refugee Camps in Syria. Others will be



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 27th

8:00am - 1:00pm



Santa Susana is hosting their Annual Spring Car Show at the Junkyard Cafe

Have a car to register ?
Contact us at margarets@armsprinting.com

SANTA SUSANA CELEBRATIONS

January

Happy Birthday



Jeff Bertoniere
Lloyd Picker

February

Happy Birthday



Margaret Zoetowey
Ray Dempsey
Sonya Cohen

Simi Valley

Shelley Howard Reporting

Big Springs KKids projects:

Gathering items needed by our local Animal Shelter!
Writing thank you you letters and baking cookies for our local firemen...showing they are appreciated for everything they do to make our Community safe!



A cold night at the Samaritan Center! Serving up "Hot" chicken noodle and beef barley soup, tri tip, rice, cornbread and rolls!



Batters Up! ...Brrrr!...Frost on the ground...
Simi Valley Kiwanis along with the YMCA's Y's Men are ready to make a Pancake Breakfast for the Simi Valley Youth Baseball families on opening day!

What a great morning, seeing happy, eager families spend time together...and a very emotional opening ceremony, honoring everyday "Heroes". Specifically, Brian from Borderline, the first responders to that tragedy... and the 12 that are forever gone, but not forgotten.



Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



Members of the California Lutheran University Circle K Club volunteered to help decorate floats for the 2018 Rose Parade. With a lot of helping hands and thousands of flowers later, the floats were ready to bring in the new year in another picture-perfect parade.

Pat Montoya, representing NotOneMore.net, was one of the Club's recent program speakers. Pat leads a non-profit dedicated to fighting drug abuse, and particularly its terrible effect on young people.



Community Conscience has selected Thousand Oaks Kiwanis Club member Sherrill Hyink as this year's Queen of the Mardi Gras Ball. Community Conscience is a prominent local non-profit that owns and operates the Human Services Center in Thousand Oaks, in which it provides rent-free office space to many other local non-profits, thereby enabling them to spend more of their revenue serving people in need. The elegant Mardi Gras Ball is Community Conscience's major annual fund-raiser. Each year, a King and Queen are chosen based on their extraordinary records of community service to reign over the gala event.



Queen Sherrill has served as an advisor in our Club's Service Leadership Program for many years, leads the Club's efforts to raise money for the Kiwanis International "Eliminate" Project, is usually the lead person organizing and directing auctions and raffles at our fund-raising event, and coordinates one of our Meals on Wheels routes. Outside Kiwanis, Sherrill is also active in the Make-a-Wish Foundation and Conejo Valley Crop Walk.

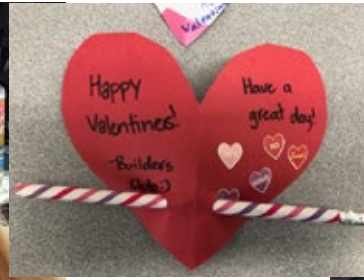
Club members Donna Orraj (second from left) and Mary Sepe (right) created a series of three dinner parties featuring New Mexico cuisine, each of which raised \$500 for the Club as an auction item in our annual BrewFest fundraiser. Sommelier (and Past President) Mike Mathews (left) and his wife Jean Duffy (second from right) provided exceptional service to the eight guests at each of the dinners.



Lou Cunningham and wife



Circle Kers attend our Valentine's Luncheon

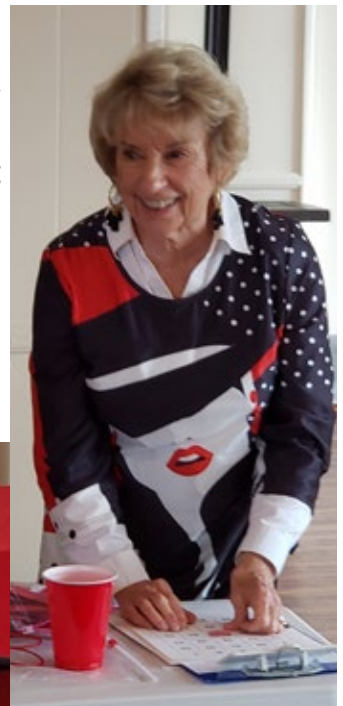


The Cookie Contest winners

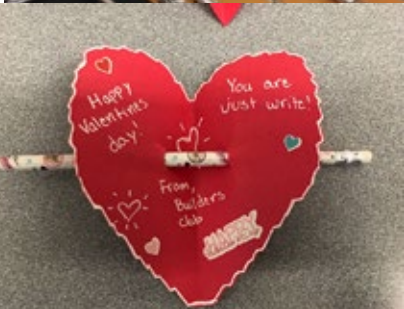
Some of the Valentines that Builders Club of DATA Elementary made for the Special Needs students at their school.



Michelle Bleuel, our Valentines Day Luncheon Hostess runs Candy Heart Bingo



Gary and Penny Palmear



Hall of Heroes

Camarillo



This month's Hero for the Kiwanis Club of Camarillo is our President Mary Grizzard-Paul who stepped up and took over the roll last year after the passing of Don Medley. She has pulled the Club back together after losing so many Key Members. We dropped down to 16 members but her goal is to bring our strength back to 20 plus. She wants to achieve this by starting a Satellite Club of working members who can make at least one evening meeting a month. She has already found 6 prospective members who hopefully will get this started later this month.

Mary is also the KIWIN'S advisor for Rancho Campana High School, works the meals to shut-in program; attends as many of the KIWIN'S and Aktion Club meetings as time allows; and initiated a new fundraiser last year which she hopes to repeat this year. Although Mary ensures that Kiwanis business is addressed at our meetings, she is also a great believer that the social side is just as important and that the meetings should fun. They are!

Conejo Valley

Our club's Hero of the Month is our own Tim Neal, for the untiring strength, care and support that he has given to members of his family during their recent medical crises; for the service and compassion that he has provided to his Farmers Insurance clients as they confront their recent horrific losses; and for his commitment to carrying out his duties as Treasurer for our Club as he addressed all those other needs.



Hall of Heroes

Moorpark



Margaret Stafford, the Moorpark Kiwanis Terrific Kids "Cookie Lady"

Margaret has been a member of the Moorpark Kiwanis club for nearly 30 years. She has also been the integral driving force behind our Terrific Kids program for over 25 years. This program allows the club to acknowledge Moorpark's 3rd, 4th and 5th graders who display positive, core characteristics such as Thoughtfulness, Inquisitiveness, Kindness, Enthusiasm, etc.; as selected by their teachers. The award ceremonies generally occur each Friday morning of the school year, and for the past 25+ years Margaret has been baking home-made, chocolate chip cookies the night before. The club estimates, and its a fun trivia question the kids try to answer, that Margaret has hand-made more than 50,000 cookies for this program. Nearly 30 years on, Margaret loves this program, puts together all the supplies and cookies, manages members' participation each week and still attends as many of the morning ceremonies that she is able to. The Moorpark Kiwanis Terrific Kids program would not be what it is today without the amazing consistency and love for this program that Margaret has displayed over the past three decades.



Thousand Oaks

Our Hero of the Month is Sherrill Hyink. "Sherriff" Sherrill aka "Queen" Sherrill has been a member of our Club since 2000. A retired teacher, Sherrill continues to work with young people as an active Builders Club Advisor at Los Cerritos Middle School and has been an SLP leader for many years. Sherrill has raised hundreds and hundreds of dollars for the Kiwanis fight against Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus through her sales and auctions of delightful gift baskets for special occasions such as Valentines Day. And Sherrill has helped to raise thousand of dollars for our Club's Foundation by leading a team of Kiwanians who organize, solicit for items, and package these items for the Silent Auction at our Club's fund raisers, most recently Brew Fest. Sherrill has been a volunteer leader throughout our community, including directing the local annual CROP Walk for a number of years. Sherrill was recently honored for her community service and leadership by Community Conscience, which selected her as Queen of their annual Mardi Gras Ball.



Division 42 Clubs & Meetings

Camarillo

Meeting: Sportsman Restaurant, 4426 Central Ave, 1st Tuesday 6:00 pm. Tuesdays x-1st 12:00 pm
President: Mary Grizzard-Paul
Email: marygrizzard@msn.com Ph: (805) 482-6279
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 11:45am
President: Amy Hastings Email: amybeuthel@yahoo.com
Ph: (805) 405-4303
Secy: Roger Klausler Email: rklausler@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 746-2584 Cell

Moorpark

Meeting: Moorpark Chamber of Commerce, 18 E. High St.
1st Monday 7:00pm
President: Steven Hoppel Email: stevenhoppel@gmail.com
Ph: (424) 750-1103
Secy: Paula Driscoll Email: pdriscoll805@outlook.com
Ph: (805) 795-4865

Oxnard

Meeting: The Tower Club, 300 E. Esplanade Dr., 22nd Floor
Thursdays 12:00 pm
President: Tina Marie Martinez Email: tinamarie918@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 890-4799
Secy: Tracy Carroll
Email: mprecc@aol.com ph: (805) 484-2107

Santa Barbara

Meeting: Mesa Cafe, 1972 Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara
Wednesdays 12:00 pm
President: Marsha Gray Email: marshagraysb@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 563-1458
Secy: Walter Browne Email: walterbrowne1@yahoo.com
Ph:

Santa Susana

Meeting: Junkyard Cafe, 2585 Cochran St., Simi Valley
2nd Tuesday 6:15pm
Monthly Dessert Socials - 4th Tuesday 7:00 pm (Call for Location)
President: Debra Heaslip Email: sskiwanisinfo@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 368-9980
Secy: Gary White
Email: garywhiteallstar@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 660-7446 Cell

Simi Valley

Meeting: Best Western Pasada Royale Hotel, 1775 Madera Rd
Wednesdays x-2nd 7am
After-hours meeting 2nd Friday 6:30pm
@ Boys & Girls Club of Simi Valley, 2850 Lemon Ave, Simi Valley
President: Marian Walluks
Email: marianwalluks@outlook.com Ph: (608) 338-8062
Secy: Mary Martin Email: fmmartin7@sbcglobal.net
Ph: (805) 527-0760

The South Coast

Meeting: High Sierra Grill, 521 Firestone Rd, Goleta
Tuesdays 6:30pm
President: Wesley Jackson Email: wesjackson050@msn.com
Ph: (805) 967-7417
Secy: William Bailey Email: bill@jwbailey.com
Ph: (805) 964-2249

Thousand Oaks

Meeting: Los Robles Greens Golf Course
299 S. Moorpark Rd.
Wednesdays 7:15am
Social Meeting: 1st Friday - Call for location
President: Chuck Huffer Email: chuffer123@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 807-2911
Secy: Gloria Dyok Email: gloriadyok@verizon.net
Ph: (805) 402-1297 Cell (Text preferred)

Ventura

Meeting: Poinsetta Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd, Ventura
Fridays 12:00 pm
President: Brad Dykes Email: braddykes@gmail.com
Ph: (310) 422-8064 Cell
Secy: Fred Zielger Email: ziegler.fairway@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 535-5218 Cell

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: (805) 642-8661
Secy: Tracy Hendrick Email: tnbhen@aol.com
Ph: (805) 642-8661





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CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT
DIVISION 42

Governor Rocci Barsotti Visits Division 42

Sunday, March 10, 2018

- ♥ Join us to meet Rocci, and hear his message to us
- ♥ Clubs celebrate their members and active community leaders

Come at **11:00** for socializing before the delicious luncheon buffet.

Presidents meet with Rocci at 11:00

Located: River Ridge, 2401 W. Vineyard, Oxnard, CA 93036

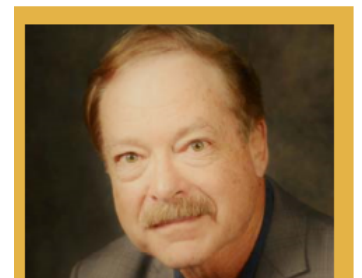
Presidents – RSVP for Club, to Anthony Antonelli, 805-390-0917 by March 2
\$37 at the door

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Our motto for 2018-2019

HEART OF A HERO



Both for our District and Division 42

Division 42 Calendar of Events

Training & Club Events

February 16, 2019

Mid-Year Conference South
San Diego Marriott, Mission Valley. Full
day, with registration at 7:30 AM

March 10, 2019

11:00am - 3:00pm
Governor's Visit
River Ridge Golf Club
2401 W. Vineyard Ave, Oxnard, CA
93036
Thousand Oaks Club hosting

March 2

Mid-Year Conference North

June 27-30 2019

KI Convention - Orlando, FL

June/July 2019 - Date TBD

CLE Training!

August 15-17, 2019

CNH Convention - Las Vegas, NV

DCM

*DCM @ The Arc - Ventura
5103 Walker Street, Ventura, CA 93003*

Thursday, November 8, 2018

Hosting club: Simi Valley

Thursday, December 13th 2018

Hosting club: Camarillo

Thursday, January 10, 2019

Hosting club: Conejo Valley

Thursday, February 14, 2019

No meeting. Go to Mid-Year Conference

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Hosting club: Santa Susana

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Hosting club: Moorpark

Thursday, May 9, 2019

Hosting club: Oxnard

Thursday, June 3, 2019

Hosting club: Thousand Oaks

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Hosting club: Santa Barbara and the
South Coast

August 2019

No DCM - DCON

September 2019

No DCM - Installations

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Mon	10/21	San Francisco, California	7:00 AM	11:00 PM
Tues	10/22	Monterey, California	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
Wed	10/23	At Sea		
Thu	10/24	San Diego	8:00 AM	10:00 PM
Fri	10/25	Ensenada, Mexico	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
Sat	10/26	Los Angeles, California	06:15 AM	

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Deluxe Ocean View Balcony	DF	\$1389.00 – Call for Additional Discounts
Ocean View Balcony	BF	\$1339.00 – Call for Additional Discounts
Ocean View Balcony	BE	\$1314.00 – Call for Additional Discounts

* Pricing shown is based on double occupancy calculated as a per person average and includes cruise fare, port charges, and taxes. All rates and amenities are subject to availability and verification at time of booking



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Ventura County Fairgrounds

Saturday, April 13, 2019

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