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Rodney's Reflections



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A publication for and about the
Kiwaniis Clubs of:

CAMARILLO

MOORPARK

OXNARD

SANTA BARBARA

SANTA SUSANA

SIMI VALLEY

THOUSAND OAKS

VENTURA

VENTURA SUBURBAN

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If there's one central theme to the discussions I have at DCM's, it's the need for new members in your respective clubs. It's a challenge that permeates throughout all service organizations like Kiwanis. May is Kiwanis Membership Month and KI (Kiwaniis International) has once again made a readily available strategy that you can use to help grow your membership. Go to [Kiwaniis.org/twofortwo](https://www.kiwaniis.org/twofortwo) and you will find a downloadable step-by-step guide that can help you identify, attract and recruit new members.

The "Two for Two" strategy basically encourages you to identify two members each month to reach out to two new prospects. The strategy encourages you to work as a team and use the available resources provided on the website. Then, repeat the process next month with two new members. Sounds easy right?

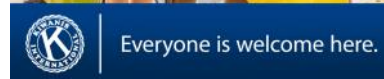
Well, recruiting and talking to new people is not an easy thing to do. It's cold-calling, it's sales, it's work and it's terrifying to some.

One of my friends who operates one of the best Ventura County business expos, Adam Casillas always says, "If you're not networking, you're not working." Albeit his advice is for business owners, but the same can be said for organizations such as ours. Adam is a member and plays a key social role in a local service group, so he knows what he's talking about.

One thing among many I've learned from Adam is to always be joyful in what you do, be an example of exuberance and motivation for making a difference in our communities. We are a select few individuals who actually take action when we see a need, and that is something to be very proud of. An advertising agency executive once told me "There's nothing wrong with tooting your own horn!" Good advice. It's not being boastful or braggadocious, it's an encouraging reminder of how a small group of people can impact so many lives.

So let's unite in joyous outreach, inviting prospective members to join Kiwanis. Let's show them how, together, we can harness our diverse talents to create positive change, enriching lives, and shape a brighter future for all.

Rodney



LOVE IT. LIVE IT

Yea! We had 9 members and 3 guests at our first meeting in April. Merrill Birge and Lauren Delatorre gave us an excellent presentation on "Save Our Skies." Although Camarillo Airport has been there for many years, having originally been an Air Force base, the major concern is the growth of jets that are projected to be using Camarillo Airport in the future. Currently there are 100 local operation jet landings and 7,582 itinerant jet landings a year – which is about 9.5% of the total operations – but the forecast shows that by 2042 there will be 180 local and 23,318 itinerant jets using the airport during the year, which will be around 22% of the total operations. For anyone living near the flight path, the increase in noise will be more than doubled. We were so impressed by their presentation that five of our members joined them at the City Council meeting to show our support for their cause. Unfortunately, the city has little control over the airport as it is run by Ventura County.



Merrill Birge and Lauren Delatorre making their presentation

We had 13 members join family and friends to celebrate Mary Grizzard-Paul's life. Lt. Governor Rodney and TinaMarie from the Oxnard Club also came along. Just over 100 people made it a special tribute to a wonderful lady and hopefully we had enough fun to meet Mary's final request to just have a party. Although she is sadly missed, I believe she has passed on a legacy of giving service while having fun. Maybe that should be a new Kiwanis slogan. Mary would have insisted that we should not miss this opportunity to give a plug for Kiwanis, so I did, and I think we may have found a new member!



Linda Thayer with Mary's eldest granddaughter, Lauren;



Kiwanis Family enjoying the party and making new friends



Moorpark has TERRIFIC Kids and TERRIFIC Kiwanians!



We had a fantastic March meeting and social at Joanne's beautiful new home!

Oxnard

Marsha Cordes Reporting



Kiwanis of Oxnard hosted the April DCM. The program was presented by Ventura County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Cesar Morales.

Ventura

Bart Blevel Reporting



Data Middle School Builders Club created cards to be inserted in deliveries of Meals On Wheels this Easter. Michelle Bleuel delivered them to the Agency for Aging.

Recent Speakers



Left: On March 20 Dr. Wagner, a long time chiropractor, spoke to our club. One story that sent shivers down our spines was that Sante Kines and her son Ken were his patients. They had a history of murder and mayhem, and both were later convicted of multiple murders. Dr. Wagner was amazed nothing ever happened to him!
Right: On April 3 we were delighted to have Nick Curran as our speaker. He was Public Relations Director of the NBA during its formative years in the 1970's and early 1980's. He did that job for 7 years. Wonderful stories and speaker.



President Richard Brown and Anita Dominocielo-Ho enjoy lunch at the Mid-Year Education Conference in Riverside.



Michele Herrera, Dan Montello, Roger Deck, and Walt Browne enjoy a beautiful day at Cleveland School with the BUGS program.



The Santa Barbara Club will sponsor 4 scholarships to the Whittier-Santa Barbara Key Leader camp on May 3 - 5.

New Members



Nick Esser and Co-President Randy Sundeen induct Greg Seymour; Nancy Quan stands between sponsors Karen Cunningham and Mary Patch with Co-President Donna Smith at the right.

Easter Breakfast for Seniors



We served our traditional free Easter Breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, and fruit at the Senior Center. This year included live entertainment – and a visit by the Easter Bunny, of course. Easter bonnets were encouraged!

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



The Thousand Oaks Club was well-represented at the recent Cal-Nev-Ha Mid-Year South Education Conference in Riverside. Members attending were (left to right in front) Steve T. Smith, Immediate Past President Mary Sepe, Gloria Dyok, Past Lieutenant Governor Katy Porter, President Paul Lopez, and Jerry Westby. The tall fellow in the back is Vice President Brian McMahon.



President Paul Lopez (left to right in photo), Service Leadership Program Chair and K-Kids Advisor Cristy Warner and Assistant Secretary Gloria Dyok accompanied the Weathersfield School K-Kids to visit the residents at Silverado Memory Care in Thousand Oaks. The Easter Bunny came along and passed out sweet treats to the residents. The residents made baskets for the kids and read to them, and the kids read to the residents.



Earlier this year, Lauren Gill, representing the National Wildlife Federation, was our program speaker on the topic of the Wallis Annenberg Wildlife Crossing, now under construction over the Ventura Freeway in Agoura Hills. She even brought along a life-size cardboard photo of famous mountain lion P-22. Many members were interested in learning more about the project, so member Arnie Rudman (pictured with the information sign) asked Ms. Gill to lead a field trip to the site, which she was happy to do. The first phase of the project (over the freeway) is expected to be complete early next year, and the second phase (over Agoura Road, to fully connect habitat on both sides of the freeway) is slated for completion in early 2026.



Division 42 THE HUB

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Cal-Nev-Ha District Mid-Year Education Conference – South Riverside, CA — March 23, 2024

Reported by Marsha Gray



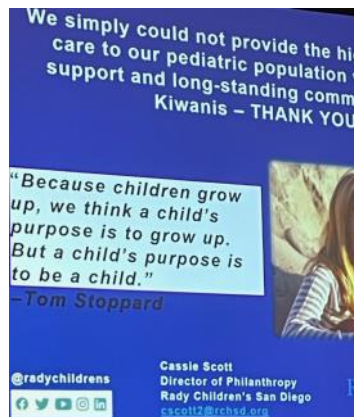
John Crawford and Armando Velazquez put on a great seminar on New Clubs. Armando is a former Key Club and Circle K member who has started many clubs. He brings a lot of tech and social media savvy to Kiwanis.



Gary Graham and Anna Wu had an excellent seminar on Membership.



L - R: District Governor Carole Farris opened the Inter-Club Luncheon; Neil Yamamoto gave the Inspirational Message; the Keynote Speaker was Cassie Scott, Director of Philanthropy at Rady Children's Hospital.



Scott described how Cal-Nev-Ha Kiwanis's support helps children's hospitals. Later, a check for \$42,000 was presented by Gary Jander, CNH Children's Fund President, and Governor Carole to Rady Children's Hospital.

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.
Tuesdays: 1st, 3rd, & 4th - 5:30 pm
2nd Tuesday via Zoom, 12:00 pm
President: Darryl Millner Email: devonven@yahoo.com
Ph: (559) 920-4242
Sec'y: Allen Grizzard-Paul Email: allengrizzard@msn.com
Ph: (805) 795-6279 Cell

Moorpark

Meeting: Contact 805-433-3306 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 Cell
Sec'y: Barbara Eisenberg Email: itsmebj@att.net
Ph: (805) 390-1770 Cell

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: Marsha Cordes Email: largouch@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 760-3138
Sec'y: Marco Valencia Email: marcovmail@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 616-2771

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: Richard Brown Email: RGB.SBC@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 896-0808
Sec'y: Josh Kane Email: josh.kane@edwardjones.com
Ph: (805) 966-9902

Santa Susana

Meeting: (Call for location)
Last Tuesday 5:30 pm
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,
4th Wednesdays 7:00 am
5th Wednesdays, Club Social - various locations
Co-Presidents: Donna Smith Email: 3smitties@sbcglobal.net
Ph: (818) 281-4372
Randy Sundeen Email: lawrandy@aol.com
Ph: (805) 304-1307
Sec'y: Mary Martin Email: fmmartin7@sbcglobal.net
Ph: (805) 587-2235 Cell

Thousand Oaks

Meeting: Los Robles Greens Golf Course, 299 S. Moorpark Rd.
Wednesdays 7:15 am HYBRID: Live + Zoom
Social Mtg. "First Friday" night each month: location varies
President: Paul Lopez Email: lopaul60@gmail.com
Ph: (805) 499-7259
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: Scott McDougall Email: spinsam@aol.com
Ph: (805) 444-2210
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

October, 2023 - April, 2024

Socks & Tops - Clothing Drive
Division 42 Signature Project

April 25, 2024

Painting with a Purpose
Camarillo Kiwanis

April 26 - 28, 2024

KIWINS DCON
Wyndham Hotel, Visalia

May 3, 2024

Scholarship Golf Tournament
Oxnard Kiwanis

May 3 - 5, 2024

Key Leader Weekend
Camp Whittier, Santa Barbara

July 3 - 6, 2024

Kiwanis International Convention
Denver, CO

July 4, 2024

Rock 'N Country Jam and Fireworks Celebration
Simi Valley Kiwanis

August 8 - 10, 2024

District Education Conference
Kona, HI

September 14, 2024 *(Note date change!)*

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



MAKE SOMEONE SMILE TODAY.

Division Council Meetings

October 12, 2023

No host club - Div. Leadership Team
Location: Cal. Lutheran U., Thousand Oaks

November 9, 2023

Hosting club: Camarillo
Location: kidSTREAM Museum, Camarillo

December 14, 2023

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

January 11, 2024

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

February 8, 2024

Dark

March 14, 2024

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

April 11, 2024

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

May 9, 2024

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

June 13, 2024

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

July, 2024

Dark

August 8, 2024

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

September, 2024

No DCM - Gov. Visit and Div. Installation

#KidsNeedKiwanis



NEWS YOU CAN USE

AWARD NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

ROY KAGAWA

2023 Bert Shoemaker Recipient

Have you heard the news? The CNH Children’s Fund is now accepting award nominations for our Bert Shoemaker, Nathan Hale, and Special Olympics Athlete of the Year awards but you must act quickly as award nominations must be submitted by May 31st. Discover the qualities that define an outstanding Kiwanian like **Roy**, extraordinary heroes like **Michael and his neighbors**, or an exceptional Special Olympics Athlete like **Scot**! Click or scan below to submit your nomination today.

SCAN ME! SCAN ME! SCAN ME!

Bert Shoemaker Award

Special Olympics Athlete Award

Nathan Hale Award

FIRST FAMILY FOCUS

Since October 1, 2023, has your club . . .

- Hosted a fundraiser or service project dedicated to preventing and/or treating child/teen mental health issues?
- Applied for and received a Pediatric Trauma Program grant for a mental health project?

If you answered “yes” to either of the above, then be sure to complete our [First Family Focus banner patch form](#) to claim your banner patch and pat yourself on the back for supporting Governor Carole's initiatives to address the mental health crises among children and teens.

YES2YOUTH - YES! INITIATIVE

When you give to the [YES! Initiative](#), you provide essential training and development opportunities to students like **Jamie**. If you dare to envision a brighter future for our Service Leadership Program students, then say YES! with a [donation](#) to our YES! Initiative.



“I would not have been where I am today without the support of countless Kiwanis clubs, as well as individual Kiwanis members who have seen my potential as a future leader.”

-Jamie Weisel, 2024 John Woodall Memorial Scholarship Recipient

TABLET OF HONOR

If your club is searching for a special way to pay tribute to an extraordinary member, consider the [Tablet of Honor](#)! Find out what makes the Tablet of Honor stand out as a distinctive recognition opportunity. Click [here](#) to order this most prestigious award.

GRANTS

Spring has arrived, making it an ideal time to explore the grant opportunities available through the CNH Children's Fund. Your club can utilize our grants to bring to life your next, new service project! Whether it's hosting a safety fair, providing care packages to an underserved population, or enhancing your community, there are various grant opportunities available. Take a deeper look at our [grant programs](#) and consider applying for one of our grants today!

FOUNDER'S DAY

For nearly 60 years, the Cal-Nev-Ha Children’s Fund has been building a better future for children. We are truly thankful for your clubs' ongoing support through your donations to our [Founder's Day program](#). Help commemorate our upcoming anniversary, but more importantly, provide critical resources to children and their families, by making your annual [Founder's Day gift](#) today.



SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD®

KIWANIS CLUB OF CAMARILLO FUNDRAISER



Thursday, April 25, 2024 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To be held at Painting with a Twist, 2298 E. Ventura Blvd., CAMARILLO, Ca 93010

You receive a 2-hour art class while you enjoy a beverage (not included) and have lots of fun. When registering there are a number of prices depending on what size and what material you would like to paint on. These range from \$40-\$52 per person.

To register for this event please go to:

<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/camarillo/event/3618449/>

There will also be a raffle with some great prizes.

You will get to take home a Masterpiece of Artwork that you can proudly hang on your wall at home or in the office.

All proceeds from this event will go towards the Kiwanis Club of Camarillo Foundation to support local events such as: Scholarships, Youth Activities, and under privileged kids in our community.

Must be 21 or over.



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2ND ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIPS AND
KIWANIS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

**FRI | STERLING HILLS
MAY 3 | GOLF CLUB**

Come join Kiwanis Oxnard and many of our family and friends at our 2nd Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament to benefit local high school students. This promises to be a Friday filled with fun, competition, food, and entertainment at one of Ventura County's premier golf courses. [Sign up today!](#)

Check-In: 6:45 a.m.

Shotgun Start: 8:00 a.m.

Scramble Format

Register Now Online:



Or call:
Temo Solorio (805) 890-4665
or Rodney Medina at (909) 489-2301

\$175 per golfer: Early Bird until 3/31/24
\$700 per foursome: Early Bird until 3/31/24
\$225 per golfer after 3/31/24
\$900 per foursome after 3/31/24

Includes:

- Round of golf
- Range balls before start of play
- Breakfast
- BBQ lunch and entertainment
- Closest to the pin and furthest drive competition for all golfers
- Prizes and giveaways



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PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIPS AND
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Please help our Kiwanis Club invest in our community's future by considering having your firm be a sponsor or donor of our golf tournament. Your participation will provide much needed financial support for this fun and rewarding event. Even if you and your company cannot participate, please consider a tax-deductible donation to support the scholarship and other community projects. Now more than ever, we need to support the education dreams of our young people. [Sign up today!](#)

Tee Sponsor
\$350

- Company Logo/Name on Tee Box - Advertise your company while showing support for youth education

Birdie
\$2000

- Provides two scholarships to graduating seniors
- Sponsorship recognition on event program
- Signage at designated tee box
- Foursome included
- Course Beverages
- Golfer Goodie Bags

Eagle
\$3000

- Provides three scholarships to graduating seniors
- Sponsorship recognition on event program
- Signage and table space at designated tee box
- Foursome included
- Course Beverages
- Golfer Goodie Bags

Par
\$1000

- Provides one scholarship to a graduating senior
- Signage at designated tee box
- Twosome included
- Sponsorship recognition on event program

Mulligans

- Buy a Mulligan or two or as many as you like at
- 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20

Hole in One
\$4000

- Provides three scholarships to graduating seniors
- Sponsorship recognition on event program
- Signage and table spaces at designated tee box
- Foursome included
- Course Beverages
- Golfer Goodie Bags



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New Key Leader Ojai Camp Site! Camp Whittier-Santa Barbara

May 3-5, 2024

REGISTER TODAY: OJAI.CNHKEYLEADER.COM

WHAT IS KEY LEADER?

Key Leader is designed for today's young leaders. This life-changing event focuses on service leadership as the first, most meaningful leadership-development experience. A Key Leader will learn the most important lesson of leadership--it comes from helping others succeed.



WHO CAN ATTEND KEY LEADER?

Key Leader is designed to open doors to all student leaders and those with leadership potential. The focus is to serve from 14 to 17 years of age.

FIVE KEYS TO EXCELLENCE

The Key Leader program is built on five essential principles. These principles reflect our mission to inspire young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership:

- Personal Integrity:** Doing the right thing
- Personal Growth:** Developing in mind, body, and spirit
- Respect:** Showing consideration for self, others, and property
- Building Community:** Developing relationships to achieve positive goals
- Pursuit of Excellence:** Expecting and achieving the best

HOW DO YOU SIGN UP?

Go to ojai.cnhkeyleader.com or scan QR code, and click on REGISTER button. Students and adults attending a Key Leader weekend complete a form with basic information. Contact roy.talley@gmail.com for additional information.



CLASSIC CALIFORNIA'S
COASTAL BIKE RIDE!

2024

COOL BREEZE CENTURY

Ride with us along the beautiful California Coast. Multiple routes for every rider level. Our cheerful volunteers make your ride day an experience to remember. Our rest stops are stocked with abundant snacks to fuel your journey. And don't forget what we're famous for - Popsicles on the Rincon!

AUGUST 17, 2024

MINI METRIC - 30 miles

A great route for new riders! A true coastal cruise along the Pacific Ocean for 75% of the ride. And our famous popsicles to get you home!

METRIC CENTURY - 60 miles

For those "not quite up for a century", this is a challenge with great scenery. Your final reward is a magnificent view and an icy treat.

Century - 100 miles

Our trademark route! If this is your first organized century, you're in for a treat. Ocean vistas, challenging climbs, and plenty of flat roads - It's what put us on the map!

Double Metric Century - 125 miles

Hard core? We'll give you the whole enchilada. A nice warm up, a challenging climb & stunning views. Head home on a flatter route with a good chance of a coastal tail wind. Stop at Rincon Park for some POPSICLE POWER to get you to the finish.



REGISTER AT
[BikeReg.com](https://www.bikereg.com)



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