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CAL-NEV-HA District, Division 42 Newsletter

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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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Happy Holidays, my fellow Kiwanians!

It's time for presence!

The greatest gift of all for many can be exactly that. If the holidays have taught me anything, it's that we all have to slow our lives down so that we can be present for family, friends, and for our community.

You have all done so much simply by being present for the many causes that you believe in. Your presence has inspired many to volunteer, to donate, to give to others that are underserved and less fortunate. Yes, you are all very special people!

It's not enough to simply join a service club, it's what you do once you're part of it. All of you reading these words right now are committed to helping and doing the work of making the world a better place, and that in and of itself is more than what most people do. I am encouraged by all of you that I am part of a family of people who have, in some cases, spent decades doing service work in Division 42 on behalf of Kiwanis.

As we roll into 2024, some are thinking about the changes they want to make in their lives. I don't see it as change as much as I see it as evolution.

Evolve by protecting your time, and leverage the power of the beautiful 'no' versus the ugly 'yes.' Evolve by investing in your most important relationships so that you can position yourself with the support to do better in your life. And finally, evolve by exploring the first dimension of your purpose as a Kiwanian so that others can see how the mastery of that purpose gives you a happier and more fulfilled life.

These evolutions can and will help bring in new manifesters, new motivators, and new doers to our respective clubs.

Continue your good works this holiday season as you all have in the past, and thank you all for being the seasoned experts in community service!

Hail Kiwanis International!

Rodney



LOVE IT. LIVE IT

In November we had an interclub with our Builders Club where we installed their officers. President Darryl, Secretary Allen, and Builders Club Advisor Linda also helped with one of their projects—making cards for teacher appreciation.



Builders Club installation of officers



Allen and Darryl trying to cut out cards.

At November's DCM, which was held at kidSTREAM, Past President Peter was honored with the Lt. Governor Award for always stepping up when asked to take a leadership role. We had an excellent speaker, Corey Branchflower, Executive Director of Shelter Care Resources, and our club followed up with Corey to help provide stocking stuffers to fill 120 stockings for homeless children.



Lt. Gov. Award presented to Peter



DCM Program by Corey



Linda delivered stocking stuffers, and Boy Scouts filled them.



In December we joined forces with GLAD, the Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, to put on a party for deaf and hard of hearing children. About 60 kids were there to eat pizza and receive presents from Santa, and of course Mary had to get her yearly hug from Santa.



Christmas party for GLAD kids



Mary and Mira taking a break



Mary getting a hug

Moorpark

Ute Van Dam Reporting



On Veterans Day, Moorpark Kiwanis members served veterans and guests at the commemoration ceremony.



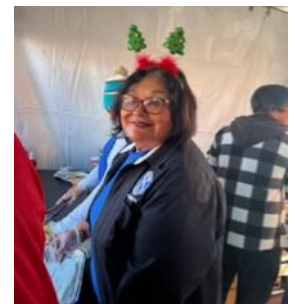
Moorpark has TERRIFIC Kids at all our schools. Our TERRIFIC members (Bryan, Emily and Barb) make the TERRIFIC Kids assemblies happen!



Deb, Kim, Joanne, Ute and Barb (the Spice Girls) celebrate the holidays! Cat (Top) is the hostess with the mostest!



For the 6th straight year, Kiwanis Oxnard donated to the Toys for Teens Drive in support of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme Teen Center. The event was held at Settebello Pizzeria Napoletana in Oxnard.



Oxnard Kiwanis participated in the Santa to the Sea run event at Oxnard Harbor by making 2000 pancakes for the participants. Proceeds of the event are used to purchase toys, bikes, and electronics for the underserved community of Nyeland Acres, an unincorporated area of Ventura County. Proceeds also benefit other non-profit organizations including Kiwanis of Oxnard. This was President Marsha Cordes's first event as President; you'll see her with the yellow "Boss" apron making pancakes at 6 am.

Santa Barbara

Marsha Gray and Lauren Loza Reporting



Every year the day before Thanksgiving we provide a full Thanksgiving meal for individuals with disabilities. All the guests had food served at their tables. It takes at least 30 volunteers for this annual luncheon, and they make it a special experience. We served over 200 individuals with disabilities this year. For some, this may be the only Thanksgiving meal they receive.



At our December 6 meeting, President Richard Brown presented a thank you check for our lunch servers to Cody's Restaurant owner Martín Rentería. Our speakers were Dr. Jeremy Alvarez and President Lauren Dulcich from the Young Professionals Club in Santa Barbara, an amazing group of professionals performing community service.

Simi Valley

Shelley Howard Reporting



Simi Valley and Santa Su Kiwanis had a great time helping to serve a "Friendsgiving Luncheon" at the Senior Center. There were definitely some moves going on to the music, and the pumpkin dump cake with whip cream was divine!



Karaoke! Our November social had members and guests enjoying a wonderful evening crooning their favorite tunes.



Happy Holidays! Simi Kiwanians caroled at Vista and Varenita Senior Living— joined there by many kids from our Builders Clubs. The following weekend, members rang bells for the Salvation Army in front of Hobby Lobby.



Our club hosted the December DCM, where Presidents Randy and Donna presented Debbie Heaslip with the Lt. Gov's Award. The program was presented by our CKI club from Moorpark College. L-R are Floyd Martin, club advisor; Diana Nguyen, faculty advisor; Raquel Kanatz, V.P.; Santa; Gavin Mayor, Secretary; Dylan Dang, President.

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



The Turkey Day Dash is back. This long-time Thanksgiving morning run fundraiser for the local YMCA returned after a three-year hiatus, sponsored by a new local business, Five07 Coffee Bar. Net proceeds will benefit three local non-profits that helped stage the event - the YMCA, the Boy Scouts, and our club. We provided more than 90 volunteers, who handled many pre-race and race day duties. More than 2,800 runners participated, and we estimate our foundation's share of the proceeds will be about \$18,750.



December 2 was a beautiful day for a trail ride, and the Thousand Oaks club was out in force to cook lunch for the participants in Ride-On Therapeutic Horsemanship's annual TrailFest Fundraiser. Ride-on clients rode their mounts to earn pledges to help support Ride-On's programs that benefit disabled individuals.



The Thousand Oaks Kiwanis Club brought in three more members on November 29th, bringing our total membership to 96. Those participating in the induction ceremony included, from left to right, President-Elect Paul Lopez, Past Lieutenant Governor Bob Engler, Past Lieutenant Governor Katy Porter, Matthew Mitnick (sponsor), Past President Larry Levine (sponsor), Immediate Past President Mary Sepe, new member Jacob Varat, new member Sean Leonard, new member Patrick Connolly, and Past President Doug Ryan.



Division 42 THE HUB

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KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH PROTECTION POLICIES AND GUIDELINES: CNH DISTRICT SUGGESTED COMPLIANCE ACTIONS

These are the suggested procedures for clubs to conduct their required Annual Youth Protection Training.

1. Have your clubs watch the video at a special meeting and provide everyone with a copy of the Policies and Procedures document.
2. Send the video link to all members who did not attend the original meeting, along with a copy of the Policies and Procedures document.
3. Be sure your Club Secretary checks the box in the monthly report, indicating that the club has provided the required training.
4. Keep a copy of the meeting minutes and/or monthly report in your club files.
5. Be sure everyone schedules this annual training for 2024 and beyond.

Current Active Links For Youth Protection Training

[Narrated Slide Presentation Video](#)

[Youth Protection Policy and Procedures Document](#)

[Slide Presentation \(PDF\)](#)

Please direct any questions or concerns to your Lieutenant Governor or to Brian Dalquist, District Youth Protection Manager (2023-24.)

UPDATES TO CALIFORNIA BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR SLP VOLUNTEERS

California law Assembly Bill 506 requires all employees, registered adult volunteers, and regular volunteers (age 18 or older who have more than 16 hours a month or 32 hours per year of contact with minors) to complete a Live Scan background check (the digital version of inked fingerprinting) and youth protection training. Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs has chosen ApplicantServices.com, a vendor with over 800 California locations, and their platform is 100% FBI CJIS Security Policy Compliant. You can rest assured your personal information is protected. The cost is \$50. Please ensure that you take a valid government-issued ID (such as a driver's license, state/government ID card or passport) to your fingerprinting session. For more information, see [Step-by-Step Instructions](#).

AB 506 also requires our volunteers who work with students to participate in youth protection training via the Praesidium abuse prevention courses. Kiwanis International recognizes the youth protection training courses completed in Praesidium Academy for two years. To check the status of your courses, log in at praesidiumacademy.com/learn (you may need to change your password.) If you need to set up an account or view the policies, learn more on the [youth protection training procedures](#) page. Thank you for your compliance. With your help, we can continue to offer premier Service Leadership Programs in California!

Background checks previously conducted by Kiwanis International through Safe Hiring Solutions no longer comply with the new mandates of AB 506. This means that all required staff and volunteers will have to complete the new Live Scan background check process.



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 & 4th Wednesdays 6:30 pm
Denny's, 5197 E. Los Angeles Avenue,
2nd 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

March 23, 2024

Mid-Year South Education Conference
Riverside, CA

April 26 - 28, 2024

KIWANIS DCON
Wyndham Hotel, Visalia

April TBD, 2024

Key Club DCON
(Location TBD)

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 7, 2024

Governor's Visit and Division Installation
(Location TBD)



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 11, 2024

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

August 8, 2024

Dark - District Education Conference

September 12, 2024

No DCM - Gov. Visit and Div. Installation

[#KidsNeedKiwanis](https://www.instagram.com/KidsNeedKiwanis)

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YOU CAN USE

2024

Warm Wishes for the New Year from the CNH Children's Fund!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year."
-- Ralph Waldo Emerson



Join us for an Unforgettable Time at the
2024 Mid-Year Education Conferences!

February 3, 2024 in Visalia | March 23, 2024 in Riverside



We're thrilled to announce registration is open for the Mid-Year North Education Conference (registration for the Mid-Year South Education Conference will open soon). Click on a link below or scan a QR code and register today!



REGISTER FOR
MID-YEAR NORTH

REGISTER FOR
MID-YEAR SOUTH



SERVICE OF OHANA
DINNER & AUCTION

That's not all! We're hosting our biggest FUN-raisers of the year at each Mid-Year Conference: Service of Ohana Dinner & Auction. When registering for your preferred conference, remember to purchase dinner tickets and get ready for a *tiki-riffic* time! Scan the QR codes below to explore more ways you can support our FUN-raisers. Mahalo!

MID-YEAR NORTH



Scan to place an ad
or become a sponsor



Scan to donate an
auction item



Scan to make an
outright gift

MID-YEAR SOUTH



LEGACY FELLOWSHIP

Join our [Legacy Fellowship](#) and make a difference. Kiwanians are renowned for their commitment to philanthropic initiatives, donating their time and resources, but did you know you can support the CNH Children's Fund by leaving a gift in your will or trust, ensuring a lasting impact. Watch our [video](#) to learn more about this important fellowship.

APPS DUE FEB 16TH

It's that time of year! Scholarship season has arrived, and our Circle K and Key Club/KIWAN'S members will be counting on your assistance. Be sure to spread the word to all Circle K members and graduating Key Club/KIWAN'S members that the CNH Children's Fund [scholarship application](#) is due Friday, February 16, 2024. Last year, more than \$120,500 was awarded to 77 outstanding students, including [Kaitlyn Wang](#) – our 2023 Loretta Barksdale-McElwain scholarship recipient. With your encouragement and support, more students can make their dreams a reality and achieve their educational goals. Consider assisting eligible members to complete their scholarship application; an act that could potentially transform their future, in more ways than one!



"My mom has more time to spend with her children– avoiding the hardships of working a third job to support my educational goals."

- Kaitlyn Wang

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CAL-NEV-HA KIWIN'S KEY CLUB

Dear Sponsor,

The Cal-Nev-Ha KIWIN'S District is hosting "DCON 2024" or our **48th Annual District Leadership Convention** (DCON) on April 26th - 28th in Visalia, California. DCON 2024 provides leadership workshops for our high school students, as well as acknowledge and reward outstanding members for their hard work throughout the year. Our mission is to raise funds in order to hold these leadership workshops, training, recognition, and to assist our students in traveling to Visalia. **We are asking for your support by being a sponsor.** Your contribution is tax deductible to the full extent permitted by law, as we are a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization, and we are happy to provide a tax receipt. Donors will be recognized in different ways to assist in promoting their business or organization.

We accept sponsorships at 7 levels, level 1 (\$2000+), level 2 (\$1000+), level 3 (\$500+), level 4 (\$250+), level 5 (\$100+) offers, level 6 (\$50+), and level 7 (\$25+).

Levels 1-4 sponsors' names will be **featured on all event publications**, different sized **ads in our event programs**, a **social media thank you** post, and their **logo featured on a backdrop**.

Our level 1 includes a **5 minute promotional video or speech**, logo feature on **main** backdrop (approximately 8ft by 20ft), as well as an **attached link** to on our social media thank you.

Levels 6 and 7 include a sponsorship name feature in our event brochure.

Our different sized ads for our event program are, levels 1 or 2 for full page, level 3 for half page, level 4 for quarter page, and level 5 for a business card sized ad.

Thank you in advance for your support in making this event happen. To donate please fill out this link: bit.ly/SponsorKIWINS23. If it's more convenient for you, you can mail a check to 2033 Montera Dr. Hacienda Heights, CA 91745, made payable to **Kiwanis Club of Gemstones**, please include your contact information. For additional information on ways to donate please contact our sponsorship advisor Anna Wu at 626-348-9705

Together, let us make a positive impact on the lives of these aspiring young leaders for a brighter future.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda Lau'.

Amanda Lau

CNH KIWIN'S District Sponsorship Chair 23-24
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