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Rodney's Reflections



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A publication for and about the Kiwanis Clubs of:

Camarillo

MOORPARK

OXNARD

SANTA BARBARA

SANTA SUSANA

SIMI VALLEY

THOUSAND OAKS

VENTURA

VENTURA SUBURBAN

Editor Nick Esser nichorus@pacbell.net 1976

The fireworks were brighter, the monuments were more glorious, and the spirit of America was alive with pride and celebration.

I was only 12 years old when our country celebrated its Bicentennial. It was an incredible year. At that impressionable age I was very proud of my place in this world because of the pride I felt for my country. Everything was so extraordinarily red, white, and blue in 1976. A great sense of pride filled my heart about who we were as a country because we were all here together, demonstrating to the world that this great experiment was working.

My parents taught me the importance of our civic duty to vote. More importantly, they taught me that our vote was our own private voice that was to be respected. Of all the adults I knew through my parents, whether it was family or friends, I never really knew what party affiliation they were. It wasn't important because we were all still members of this great American family.

We all know that the spirit and feeling of togetherness we had at that time has waned. Will we ever get that sense of togetherness back again? I don't know.

What I do know is that as a Kiwanian, with as many of you that I have come to meet and get to know, we have never had a discussion about politics, and that is beautiful. It doesn't matter, because our mission is much greater than politics. We are now the great experiment.

The work we do together in our communities benefits everyone. The projects we volunteer for, the money we raise, the scholarships we grant, the socks we give, the jackets we deliver, all of it is for the good of humanity.

We, along with other service groups, are the greatest examples of unity, of purpose and togetherness. It is our time to shine. Our smiles are brighter, and our hugs and handshakes truly mean something. We have so much to be thankful for as Kiwanians, but I am most thankful for all of you who have shown this love within your communities.

Let us continue to be the beacon of hope.

Hail Kiwanis International!

Rodney





This month started with Div. 42W Key Clubbers holding a beach cleanup and DCM in Oxnard.







This was followed by Turquoise Div. KIWIN'S holding their end-of-year banquet and DCM.







Both involved a sad farewell to all the retiring officers and a warm welcome to the incoming officers.

We manned an information booth at a fundraiser for the Camarillo House Foundation food truck and music night.







L: President Elect John Hayes with newest member Pat Corwin. R: The music was so good we couldn't resist dancing.

In July we held our first annual BINGO ALLEY during the Heritage Days Midsummer Festival put on by Camarillo's Old Town Association. Along with our KIWIN'S, we also volunteered our time to help the Association in exchange for a free booth on Ventura Blvd. for Saturday and Sunday. Giving away small toys to kids while talking to parents resulted in a number of potential membership leads to follow up on!













Our monthly social/meeting was held at the beautiful home of Bryan and Debbie.



Bruce and Wendy



Tom and Bryan



Janet, Troy, Debbie, and Stephanie



Joanne, Denise, Barbara, and Curt



Troy, Emily, Ute, and President Mark



The Spice Girls



Part of the gang



Mark gives the "Kiwanis Questionnaire" to hosts Deb and Bryan.

Moorpark Kiwanians sold snacks at the annual 3rd of July Celebration.







Tom, Bryan, and Mark set up; Tom, Debbie, and Bryan wait for the first customer; Tom and Emily are ready to serve!

TinaMarie Martinez Reporting







TinaMarie and her nephew joined Reel Guppies on Hueneme Pier in June to learn about currents and fishing, along with around 40 other youth and families.







Oxnard Kiwanis continues to work together with Seaside Cowboys Youth Horsemanship Program, sharing the knowledge of horsemanship from the ground up.







On Wednesday June 19th, our Club presented our annual Hope of America awards (HOA). We hosted graduating Middle School Students who were recommended by their school as outstanding scholars and citizens. Our club recognized each student at their school, awarded them \$100, and also hosted the students and their parents for lunch at Cody's. There Nancy Butterfield presented to Esther Hernandez, Santa Barbara Middle School, Dan Montello presented to Lillian Joiner, Santa Barbara Junior High School, and Janice Rorick presented to Jackson Kerr, Riviera Ridge School. Member Josh Kane is our lead organizer on this event and always does a superior job.





Kiwanis Santa Barbara club members volunteered in support of Safety Town of Santa Barbara County, which provides a quality comprehensive safety education program for pre- and post-kindergarten children—regardless of a family's ability to pay for services—to teach them vital skills to last a lifetime.

Simi Valley

Shelley Howard Reporting

July 4: The Star Spangled Rock & Country Jam & Fireworks Celebration!























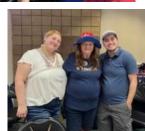




























What a wonderful afternoon and evening of celebrating America's independence! Fun for all ages, food and drink, shopping and spending time with friends and family. And the fireworks at the end were amazing! Thanks to our club members, Aktion Club and Circle K Club members, Scouts, and many hard working volunteers from the area.

Another successful event for our Simi Valley community!

Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting









The Weathersfield School K-Kids Club, with their Advisor Cristy Warner, visited City Hall on June 4 to tell the City Council about their third book about Kindness. The book is called "What is Your Superpower?" Six K-Kids shared their wishes for superpowers, all of which involved helping others. They told the City Council, "When we are kind, we can truly change the world, one act at a time." After the presentation, Cristy and the K-Kids posed for a picture with the City Council, one of whom is our own member, Past Lieutenant Governor Bob Engler (in the striped shirt.)















Ride-On's Therapeutic Horsemanship's TrailFest fundraiser moved from December to June 8 this year, seeking better weather. That didn't happen so much, but it was still a beautiful day for a Trail Ride, and the Thousand Oaks Club was there to cook lunch for the participants. Ride-on clients rode their mounts to earn pledges to help support Ride-On's programs that benefit disabled individuals. Tom Skinner headed up the project. Attendees also enjoyed a hayride around the Rancho Potrero Open Space.







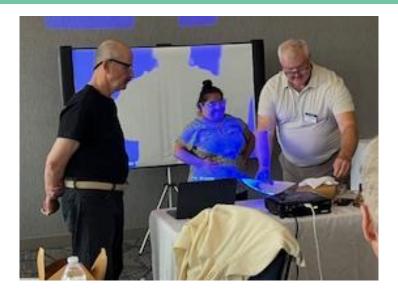


On June 15, Kiwanians helped the Conejo Recreation and Park District put on its popular "Touch A Truck" Event, with Past President Chuck Huffer leading the troops. We ran one of the game booths for the kids to enjoy in between climbing on every kind of truck imaginable. K-Kids and Key Clubbers were there to help.

Thousand Oaks Kiwanis welcomed another member on June 19: Dr. Kim Carnazzola, the wife of member Tom Skinner. They met at The Reserve, an assisted living residence in Thousand Oaks, where Tom worked and Kim's Mom lives—and she played matchmaker. Kim had volunteered at many of our service projects, so she was a natural fit for the club. Participating in the induction ceremony were, L - R, Past Pres. Larry Levine, Past Lt. Gov. Katy Porter, Immediate Past Pres. Mary Sepe, Dr. Carnazzola, her sponsor Tom Skinner, Past Lt. Gov. Bob Engler, and Past Pres. John Prescott.



Ventura







Ventura Kiwanis installed the Ventura Aktion Club officers for 2024-25.



Ventura Kiwanis managed parking in a lot near the X Games. Proceeds went to the Ventura Downtown Organization's Family Relocation program, which pays for those tired of the homeless life to relocate to their families.



Division 42 THE HUB



YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

As the premier provider of youth service clubs and programs, Kiwanis International holds itself and its members to the highest standards of conduct and awareness. Each year, more than 300,000 youth take part in Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs (SLPs) such as K-Kids, Builders Club, and Key Club. Kiwanis reaches millions more youth around the world through club and district service projects. When we work with and mentor youth during projects and activities, their care and welfare are entrusted to us.

Kiwanis members must know how to protect the youth with whom we interact. When we all share this commitment, we also protect ourselves and the organization we value.

Annual mandatory club training: Kiwanis clubs can host in-person or virtual training for all members of the club by using the "Youth Protection Policy training for Kiwanis clubs" PowerPoint presentation PDF—or by viewing the "Youth Protection Policy training for Kiwanis clubs" video recording.

Background checks: Any individual 18 years of age or older in California who volunteers their time and has direct contact with, or supervision of, minors for more than 16 hours per month or 32 hours per year is required to obtain a Live Scan and FBI background check. This would include district administrators, SLP advisors and chaperones. The cost for this is \$50. Go to applicantservices.com/kiwanis to initiate your background check. (Beware LOUD announcement!)

Praesidium online training: Remember that we must also complete the Praesidium online youth protection trainings in addition to the background check. The courses cover topics ranging from sexual abuse prevention to a volunteer's duty to report abuse. The volunteer positions referenced above require you to complete three to seven courses, depending on your role. (DA = District Administrator)

Course	SLP Youth Protection & Risk Managers	SLP DAs & Advisors (CKI, Builders and Key Clubs)	SLP DAs & Advisors (K-Kids and Aktion Clubs)	Non-advisor Members (Gov, LTG, Club Officers) & Non-member Chaperones (Faculty, Parent, Spouse)
Abuse Risk Management for Volunteers	×	×	X	X
Social Media Safety	×	X	x	X
Preventing Sexual Activity Among Adolescents	×	X		x
Duty to Report	×	X	x	
Meet Sam	×	X	x	
It Happened to Me	x	X	x	
Safety Equation: Monitoring & Supervision	x		X	

To access the Kiwanis Praesidium courses (at no cost to you):

- 1. Go to praesidiumacademy.com/learn.
- 2. Click on "Forgot your password?" (to create a new or reset password)
- 3. Enter the email address Kiwanis International has on file.
- 4. Click the blue Reset Password button.
- 5. Check your email.
- 6. Click the link inside of your email to set a new password for your Academy account.
- 7. There will be a three-question survey to fill out.
- 8. Access courses in the learning path presented for your role.

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 Thousand Oaks

Ph: (805) 433-3305 Cell

Sec'y: Barbara Eisenberg Email: itsmebje@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

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

August 4, 2024

Clothing Drive: Final Drop-Off Moorpark Kiwanis

August 4, 2024

Brewfest

Thousand Oaks Kiwanis

August 8 - 10, 2024

District Education Conference Kona, HI

August 17, 2024

Cool Breeze Century Bike Ride Ventura Kiwanis

September 14, 2024

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

October 10, 2024

Conejo Uncorked Thousand Oaks Kiwanis



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









JOIN US FOR OUR

HONORS BREAKFAST

on Saturday, August 10, 2024

<u>Register</u> for our Honors Breakfast where we will honor YOU, our generous donors, and hear from the Yee Family who will share the impact your generosity makes in the area of pediatric trauma.

Tickets are \$54.00 each, but if you were awarded the Dunlap Fellowship (or upgraded) after August 1, 2023, or if you have made a contribution to the YES! Initiative of \$500 or more, you are entitled to a complimentary ticket (limit 2 complimentary tickets per household).

Registration closes July 19th - Register Today!







Don't miss your chance to win dinner for two <u>anywhere</u> in the CNH District or the opportunity to win a unique, hand-crafted quilt, designed and quilted by Past Governor Margo Dutton!!





Both drawings will take place on September 21, 2024

For tickets, contact any Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund Director or contact our office @ 909.736.1707; foundation@cnhkiwanis.org

THE COUNTDOWN HAS BEGUN!

ICYMI! Our <u>William A. Dunlap Fellowship</u> awards are on sale, but only until September 30th! For a \$750 donation, you can receive a new Dunlap Fellowship award, or be upgraded to the next level. The remaining \$250 will be matched with PTP funds raised by our hardworking and generous Service Leadership Program members. <u>Recognize a deserving individual today!</u> Remember, Dunlap awards return to their full price of \$1,000 on October 1st.

DISTINCTIVE RECOGNITION

Looking for a distinctive way to recognize your outgoing club president? The Tablet of Honor - one of the highest honors one can receive from the CNH Children's Fund - is unique in that an individual may not recognize themselves with this award; the Tablet of Honor can only be given as a gift. **Learn more**.

LEGACY FELLOWSHIP

August is national Make-A-Will Month, a great time to consider your forever legacy. As a <u>Legacy Fellowship</u> member you can continue to help people in need or to promote a favorite cause long after you are gone by making a gift in your will or trust. <u>Learn more</u>.

MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS

Looking for a way to support the mental health needs of your community? Consider hosting a mental health awareness campaign at your local high school or renovate the lobby of your local mental health clinic. And remember, the CNH Children's Fund offers FREE grant funds to bring these projects to fruition. Apply for a **Pediatric Trauma Program grant** today!

WELCOME HOME!

Looking to address the traumatic impact homelessness has on children and teens, Division 3 pooled its resources to provide "Welcome Home Baskets" to formerly homeless families who are

Baskets" to formerly homeless families who are moving into permanent housing. Using a grant from the CNH Children's Fund, each club purchased necessities for a new home, as well as age-appropriate items for children and teens. **Learn more**.



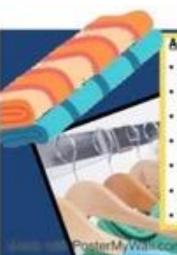
Let's stuff the truck! Please
help us raise money for our
community and the Kiwanis
Club of Moorpark.
Toss your gently used,
unwanted textiles in white
kitchen trash bags. The more
bags we collect,
the more money we earn!

Let's stuff the truck! Our goal is 300 bags or more!

Gently used, dry and rewearable textiles please. No wet or damaged items.

For questions or to drop off or have bags picked up, contact Debbie Lee - 805.402.0176 or debbielee4reverse@gmail.com

Final Bag Drop Off: AUG. 4th



Acceptable Items:

- Wearable clothing Infant, kids, male, female
- Paired, wearable shoes
- Accessories Hats, belts, scarves
- Gently used linens and towels
- Purses, totes, wallets and backpacks
- Small household & handheld electronics
- · Small, hard toys

Items NOT Accepted:

- · Wet, damaged, stained clothing
- · Bulk clothing or tarps
- Mattresses, pillows, pet beds, carpet, rugs
- · Bulk uniforms, race day t-shirts
- · Books, CDs or cassettes
- · Heavy work boots or slippers
- Fabric scraps

LET'S STUFF THE TRUCKS





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.



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