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Rodney's Reflections



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Summer Swag

"If you want the world to change, you must be the change you want in the world It's good to have swag, but better to have substance." - Briana Barner

It's natural to don our favorite sports team's gear, like the Dodgers, and cheer them on.

However, wearing a Dodgers cap or jersey, while showing support, doesn't make us part of the team; we remain cheerleaders on the sidelines. In contrast, when we wear Kiwanis swag, we're showcasing our active membership in a team dedicated to community service. We are showing our substance.

This is our team, and our shirts, hats, and pins represent our commitment and pride in being part of Kiwanis.

Wearing Kiwanis swag is the best way to promote our organization, especially during community service activities. It transforms us into walking ambassadors for Kiwanis, sparking curiosity and conversation. Summer is here and as we engage in local events, clean parks, or support youth programs, our visible Kiwanis gear draws attention and opens the door for meaningful interactions.

When someone asks about Kiwanis, it's a chance to share our story. Explain that Kiwanis International is a global service organization focused on improving the world one child and one community at a time. Highlight the diverse range of projects we undertake, from building playgrounds and supporting educational initiatives to providing scholarships and organizing community events. Emphasize the hands-on nature of our work, illustrating how Kiwanis members are directly involved in making a tangible difference.

You can also personalize the conversation with stories from your own experiences. Talk about a recent project your local club completed, such as a community garden or a fundraising event that had a significant impact. Share how these efforts have brought joy and support to those in need, and how being part of Kiwanis has enriched your life.

Ultimately, wearing Kiwanis swag during summer activities is more than just a fashion statement; it's a powerful strategy for community engagement and growth. It turns everyday moments into opportunities to educate others about our mission, foster connections, and inspire new members to join us in our service endeavors. So, as we step into summer, let's wear our Kiwanis gear with pride and show everyone what it means to be part of this incredible team.

Rodney



LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT

Another busy month working with our SLP's and awarding scholarships at our three high schools:



Left: Linda and John presenting at Rio Mesa H.S. Center: Allen presented the Mary Grizzard-Paul Memorial Scholarship to KIWIN's Past Pres. Lauren Mitra. Right: Karen Kikuchi presented Cal-Nev-Ha scholarships to Lauren Mitra and Past Gov. Lucia Wong.

Our Builders Club was very busy. They raised \$427 for the Key Club Zambia project with a "Battle of Coins." They collected old towels, blankets, and other items for the Animal Shelter, where they were invited for a tour of the facility. They had a visit from the KIWIN'S Governor, Lt. Governor, and Club Presidents, who explained their next step in the Kiwanis Family: how to join Key Club or KIWIN'S.



Builders Club visit to the Animal Shelter

KIWIN'S Presenting to Builders Club

The Key Club and KIWIN'S leaders attended their May Board Meeting at Rancho Cucamonga. Although they have separate meetings, they do get time to bond at the District Office dinner parties. It was a very productive weekend.



Left: Members of the KIWIN'S board working on plans for the year Right: Key Club and KIWIN's teaming up to spell Key Club



Div. 42W Key Club held their end of year banquet and awards night under the leadership of Lt. Gov. Bella.



Left: Moorpark Kiwanians attend the State of the City address. Member and City Manager, Troy (right), keeps our beautiful city running smoothly. Right: Our club leads for the Military Banner Program in Moorpark. New banners were recently installed on Tierra Rejada Blvd.



TERRIFIC Kids 2023-2024 is in the books!



Our monthly meeting/social had a huge Interclub with our Kiwanis friends from Thousand Oaks, Simi, and Santa Susana. Our wonderful hosts, Tom and Stephanie (top left), had fun with the "Kiwanis Questionnaire" interview.



Moorpark Kiwanians served refreshments at the annual Memorial Day commemoration ceremony.

Oxnard Kiwanis sponsored the 2024 California Lutheran University TRIO Pre-University Program's graduation ceremony. The TRIO Programs are Federal outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. Over 100 first generation high school students from Ventura and Los Angeles Counties took part.



Left: Folkloric Dancers performed, including graduate and student of the year Alina Aguilar. Right: Keynote speaker Rubén Cañedo from University of California Berkeley, serves as the Director of Equity Initiatives. His work and research in food insecurity amongst students has prioritized the UC systems to assure food sustainability as well as to address and prevent student homelessness.



Key Club Div. 42W Lt. Gov. Isabella Wedemeyer (immediate right of Div. 42 LTG Rodney Medina at center) introduced herself and her leadership team at our June DCM at California Lutheran University in Oxnard. With leaders like her, our local communities are in good hands.

Santa Barbara

Marsha Gray & Lauren Loza Reporting

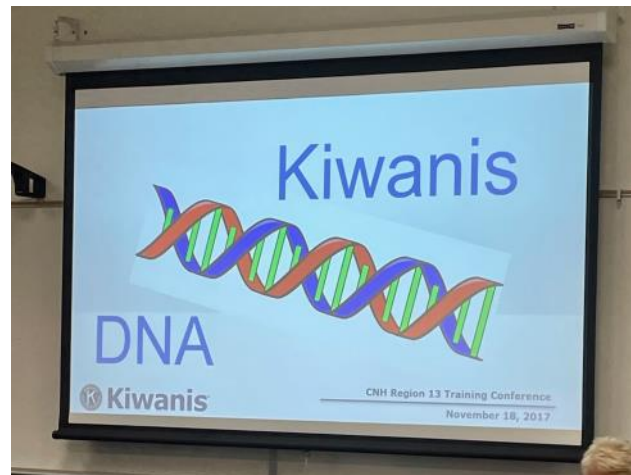


Our club was proud to present the Santa Barbara Symphony with a check for \$1000 in support of their youth musical programs. Past Governor Gary Gray congratulated Marie Hébert, Educational Programs Manager, showing the back of the program's youth T-shirt, and Symphony Development Director and Kiwanis Club member Juli Askew, who holds the check and shows the front of the T-shirt.

The Kiwanis Club of Santa Barbara Hosts June's DCM



We had a great crowd. The Aktion Club of Santa Barbara attended. They helped serve dinner and enjoyed the comeradery.



Past Governor Gary Gray presented the program on succession. Leadership development is in the Kiwanis DNA!



Pam Smith (R) tends the drink ticket table at the Rotary Club's Happy Face Music Festival on May 25.



HONORED—Local volunteers are recognized June 1 by Simi's Community Council. MICHELE WILLER-ALLRED/Coron Newspapers

Ron Smith (Top, R) was honored as our club's Volunteer of the Year by the Community Council.



At our June 5 meeting, we received a check for \$310 from the Glendale Kiwanis Club for our share of ducks we sold for their annual Duck Splash Fundraiser. We also sold food at the event; volunteers showed off their duck hats!



At our two evening meetings in June, we welcomed some of our scholarship recipients and their families. With members of our Scholarship Committee are left: Maegan Ponce and Sydney Biscoe from Royal H. S., right: Trevor Connor and Antara Majumder from Simi Valley H. S. and Rita Gerges from Royal. Each received awards of \$1,000.



Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting

The Thousand Oaks Club awarded scholarships with a total value of \$25,000 to fourteen graduating high school seniors this year, enabling them to pursue their higher education goals. Jerry Westby headed our Scholarship Committee, which selected the winners from among 93 applicants. Many thanks also to club members who sponsored scholarships - Barbara Ashcraft, Frankcom Family, Sincok Family, Chuck Huffer, Sherril Hyink and Teta Van Ommeren. The Club awarded these scholarships to the students in ceremonies at our May 8 and May 15 breakfast meetings.

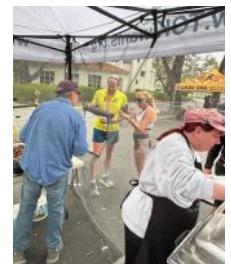


Receiving their award certificates and checks at our May 8 meeting were (left to right) Ryan Kazmirchuk, Alexander Valtchev, Adrien Lyon, Nicki-Jean Henderson, and Zoe Thompson.

Receiving their award certificates and checks at our May 15 meeting were (left to right) Annika Ekenstram, Kylie Martin, Marina West, Marvel Roth, Emmalyn Tsai, Laina Husch, Quinn Henderson, and Addison Copas. Not pictured is Keelah Cooper, who was unable to attend the Awards Breakfast.



The Thousand Oaks Kiwanis Club was on hand to continue our tradition of cooking breakfast for the participants in Conejo Valley Senior Concerns' annual Love Run Fundraiser, which drew about 2,000 participants. Community Service Committee Chair Gloria Dyok and Event "Honcho" Kathy Smiley corralled about twenty Kiwanians who worked in two shifts to cook and serve yummy pancake and sausage breakfasts to the runners and volunteers. Our Club also drives a Meals on Wheels route every week, helping Senior Concerns serve local seniors in one of their many ways.



The DATA Builders Club celebrates a very successful year.



Celebration cake



Principal Cohen gives his congratulations .



Left: Key Club officers invite eight graders to join next year. Right: Well-earned club t-shirts.



Four students at Ventura High School each received \$5,000 scholarships at Awards Night from Bart Bleuel.



Ventura Kiwanis participated in the Ventura Chamber of Commerce Connection Breakfast.

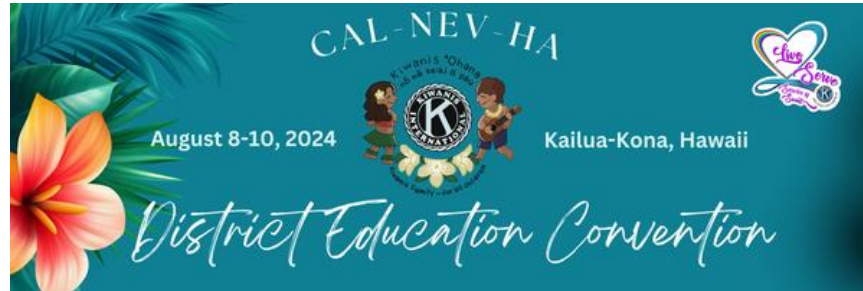


Division 42 THE HUB

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Registration Options



Registration Fee: \$260 until July 19 On-Site: \$280

BIG KAHUNA PASS: \$540 Includes Registration, Rose Float Inter-club Breakfast, Awards Luncheon, Inter-club Luncheon, Installation Dinner

100% Club Registration Form

All cancellations must be received in WRITING. You may email convention@cnhkiwanis.org or mail to Cal-Nev-Ha Kiwanis, P.O. Box 1327, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729. Phone cancellations will not be accepted. Full refunds, less a \$25.00 per person processing fee, will be processed after the convention for requests received by 5:00 p.m., July 19, 2024.

Club Delegates Form Convention Agenda

Each Kiwanis Club in good standing is entitled to seat up to three (3) certified delegates and three (3) alternates. To be a certified delegate, the club secretary or president must complete and submit the online Delegate Form by July 28, 2024.

Hotel Reservations

Outrigger Kona Resort and Spa, 78-128 Ehukai St., Kailua-Kona, HI 96740
Rates vary, depending on view and occupancy. \$229 - \$429



Honor your club's best recruiters

For the strongest clubs, membership growth is more than a onetime event – it's a part of club culture. Build and maintain that culture by rewarding those who serve it well. When a club member invites five or more people who become new members, you can honor those results with a Ruby K Award pin, free of charge. And the award is cumulative, so you can keep honoring members when they invite *additional* members.

Further Ruby K awards are given for multiples of 5 up to 20, then multiples of 10 up to 100, and for multiples of 25 beyond that.

It's a great way to recognize your best recruiters and encourage others to make it a part of their membership – and again, it's all free of charge.

Submit an application.

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

July 3 - 6, 2024

Kiwanis International Convention
Denver, CO

July 4, 2024

Rock 'N Country Jam and Fireworks Celebration
Simi Valley 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

THE MORE
YOU VOLUNTEER,
THE HAPPIER
YOU BECOME.



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

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PC: Elyse Butler



The Yee Family

2024 Honors Breakfast
Keynote Speakers
Saturday, August 10, 2024

Join us as the Yee Family shares their amazing journey of care from Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children and the role YOU play in making miracles like Kelsey-Mae's possible.

Reminder

REGISTER NOW

2023 Children's Miracle Network Champion Kalley-Mae with her parents Cherilyn and Kevin Yee

FIRST FAMILY FOCUS

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

- Organized a fundraiser or service project focused on preventing and/or treating mental health issues in children and teens?
- Submitted an application for and secured a [Pediatric Trauma Program grant](#) for a mental health initiative?

If you answered "yes" to either question, be sure to complete our [First Family Focus](#) banner patch form to receive your patch. Give yourself a pat on the back for supporting Governor Carole's efforts to tackle mental health challenges in young people.

YES2YOUTH - YES! INITIATIVE

By contributing to the [YES! Initiative](#), you offer vital training and development opportunities to students such as [Jason](#). Envisioning a brighter future for our [Service Leadership Program](#) students starts with your support. [Say YES! with a gift](#) today.

FOUNDERS DAY

For nearly 60 years, the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund has been committed to building a better future for children. We are sincerely grateful for your club's ongoing support through donations to our [Founder's Day program](#). As we approach our anniversary, consider helping us continue this crucial work by making your annual [Founder's Day gift](#) today, providing crucial resources to children and their families.

DUNLAP SALE

A HUGE thank you to the amazing members of our Service Leadership Programs (SLP)! Thanks to their unwavering dedication and support, you can save \$250 when you order a [William A. Dunlap Fellowship award](#) or upgrade to the next level. Just submit an application with your \$750 donation to the CNH Children's Fund. [Order your Dunlap](#) today and have it presented by the Governor during her Official Visit! Remember, the Dunlap returns to its regular pricing on October 1st, so act now!

"I am truly grateful for the scholarship support that will allow me to work less hours and focus on my studies and additional educational opportunities. Thank you so much for your support of Cal-Nev-Ha Circle K students."

JASON LIU

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AUGUST 17, 2024

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