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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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### Sweet Service

It was Strawberry Festival weekend, and it was a pleasure to be out in the mix of all the berry revelers that came from near and far. At a regional event like this, one realizes how much of an ambassador for Kiwanis you can be.

As the credit card processed for about 30-seconds with each strawberry beer transaction, it gave me an opportunity to ask our guest where they were from. As most were from out of town, I would take the opportunity to welcome them to Ventura and wish them a good time at the festival.

It wasn't until I walked the festival that I was able to truly engage with people about Kiwanis. My Kiwanis shirt would elicit greetings, comments, and conversation from former KIWIN'S, Key Club members and Kiwanians from other parts of California and even out of state.

Best of all though were those who asked, "What does Kiwanis do?"

I talked about all of you in Division 42. I shared a little bit of everything YOU do with your clubs in your respective communities. I spoke like a glowing LTG about the wonders of change we make every day, week, month, and year in our communities. Collectively we are making an impact that affects many lives at so many different levels.

I received many compliments and thanks for our work, but it was one young man who said, "Thank you for your service club!"

That kind of "thank you" is usually reserved for our soldiers, veterans, and first responders, but when he added "club" at the end, it just felt right and it made me smile. I hadn't heard that before, but I hope you have. If not, you will hear it from me.

Thank you for your service club!

*Rodney*



LOVE IT

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It has been a busy time for Camarillo Kiwanis. We started with our annual Painting with a Purpose fundraiser where we raised just over \$1,000 and had a lot of fun doing it.



We joined forces with Thousand Oaks Club to supply pancakes to 2,700 runners and volunteers at the annual Autism Race. This is now the largest Aut2Run race in the US.



The pancake production line was busy at the at the end of each race.

Syrup and butter station

On the same weekend, Allen Grizzard-Paul and Karen Kikuchi chaperoned the Turquoise Division KIWIN'S at their District Convention in Visalia. With over 300 KIWIN'S in attendance, it was a noisy but fun weekend.



(Left) Turquoise Div. winning first cheer of the weekend. (Center) Karen Kikuchi receives certificate of appreciation from Cal-Nev-Ha Gov. Carole Farris and District Administrator for KIWIN'S Anna Wu. (Right) Changing of the guard: past KIWIN'S Gov. Lucia Wong, pinning the new KIWIN'S Gov. Madison Nguyen.

We had another very successful event when we joined Oxnard Club for their Golf Tournament. This is something we tried to do ourselves but had to cancel. Working with Oxnard Club made it possible, and we both came out winners. It also made it a lot more fun.



Oxnard President, Marsha, and the two Treasurers



The winning team



Another winning team

# Moorpark

Ute Van Dam Reporting



Almost all our members joined us at our April social/meeting at the beautiful home of Steve and J.J., where President Mark welcomed and inducted our newest members, Traci and Sheri Belle .



We had many Kiwanis volunteers at the 1st Annual Moorpark Apricot Festival. Sharon checked in the vendors; Bruce, Wendy, Joanne and Barbara helped provide security. Along with Mark and Ute, we all love to volunteer!



Winner, winner, Chicken Dinner! Moorpark hosted the May DCM. Secretary Tom was recognized as our superstar Treasurer, and Supervisor Janice Parvin was our guest speaker.



Moorpark has TERRIFIC Kids! Bryan, Sheri Belle, Emily, and Barbara led the Terrific Kids ceremony.



On Friday, May 3rd, Kiwanis of Oxnard, with the help of Camarillo Kiwanis, held their 2nd Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Sterling Hills Golf Club in Camarillo. Close to 40 golfers took part in the competition. Thank you to all of our sponsors who donated to make this event a success. A special thank you to Mission Avocados for their contribution of \$2000. Many local businesses donated gift certificates, gift cards, services, and other products to fill out our raffle prize table. Congratulations to Kiwanis Oxnard President-Elect Pablo Gallegos and his team for their back-to-back championship win!



On May 11, Kiwanis Oxnard hosted their annual Youth Track Meet for the three school districts that serve Oxnard. Elementary and middle school students from the Rio, Oxnard, and Hueneme school districts convened at Hueneme High School for a Saturday morning collection of track and field competitions. For many of the students, it was the first time they had competed in a track and field event. We appreciate all of the families and educators who came out to support and coach all of the wonderful youth.



Kiwanis Oxnard and friends of the club donated their time over the May 18-19 weekend at the California Strawberry Festival at the Ventura County Fairgrounds. The club sold Fruli strawberry beer to festival-goers. Kiwanis Oxnard received a portion of the proceeds for the two days of sales. The California Strawberry Festival raises money for scholarships and donates to many of the non-profit organizations in the area. Our Lieutenant Governor Rodney had the pleasure of meeting "Gio" the creator and winner of the festival poster art contest.

# Santa Barbara

Marsha Gray & Janice Korick Reporting



On April 17, Debbie Heaslip organized an interclub to Santa Barbara. Ten Kiwanians from Division 42 in the South made the trek to visit us. Past President Jordan Robinson introduced our guest speaker, Lt. Elena DeMarah of the CHP. I bet everyone drove safely back home after the Interclub!



Santa Barbara Kiwanis held its annual scholarship dinner on Tuesday, May 14. Eleven high school seniors were honored with \$2500 scholarships each for their academic achievements and community service. This is made possible by our Santa Barbara Kiwanis Foundation funded by long time member Brad Naegel.



Ship captain Christine Healy spoke with us about Central Coast Adventures, an amazing floating classroom where local school children come and learn about the sea.



On Saturday May 18, the Santa Barbara Rotarians invited Santa Barbara Kiwanians to join in the fun cleaning up Camp Whittier.



Left: Our Moorpark College Circle K Club members were recognized by the park district for their clean-up projects. Right: We had fun at Royal High School providing food to visitors at their Car Show fundraiser.



Simi Kiwanis volunteered at "For the Troops" writing letters and packing boxes full of essentials and goodies to send to our troops abroad!



"May the 4th be with you!" Simi Kiwanis supported Glendale Kiwanis at their "Incredible Duck Splash" fundraiser.



Fun, fun, fun at the Senior Center! Simi Kiwanians served with friends at the Older Americans Luau luncheon.

# Thousand Oaks

John Prescott Reporting



The Thousand Oaks club's BBQ wagon has served us well for many, many years. Pancakes are our specialty, but we've also cooked tri-tip, burgers, hot dogs, and our infamous "Chernobyl Chicken" (pictured). The wagon was tired, and bruised, and battered, and rusty, and greasy. It was time for a new wagon it seemed. But member Aaron Podell came to the rescue. He even enlisted two Girl Scouts, Kendall Goosen and Mckenna Morris, to help with a complete rebuild and refurbishment of the wagon. It took four months and lots of new parts, and it's brand new again!



The Thousand Oaks club was out in force on April 28, cooking a pancake breakfast for participants in the Autism Society of Ventura County's annual Aut2Run fundraiser at Cal State Channel Islands. We had a long line of customers. Mike Mathews stirred the batter. Aaron Podell and the two Girl Scouts who helped him refurbish our barbecue wagon pose behind their prize. Jerry Westby dispenses batter on the griddle, and Gloria Dyok, Community Services Chair and event boss, happily displays a plaque of appreciation from the Autism Society. Sixteen Club members, a spouse, and three youth helpers participated.



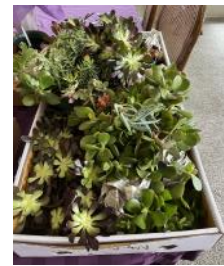
At its annual meeting on May 1, the Thousand Oaks club elected Officers and Board members for the coming Kiwanis Year. Our 2024-25 leadership team is comprised of (left to right) Brian McMahon, incoming President-Elect, Jerry Westby, incoming Vice President, and Robin Britt, who will lead the Club as President. Jim Stephenson and Lori Olbrich were re-elected as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. Chuck Huffer and Gloria Dyok were re-elected as Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary, respectively. The following members were elected to at-large positions on the Board of Directors – Sharon McMahon, Cristy Warner, Lynn Burdick, and Mike Mathews. Our club installation dinner will be held September 29th.



Ventura Kiwanis held its very successful Guest Day on April 19th, shown on the left. 23 guests attended, most of whom were recruited from the Ventura Chamber of Commerce after well over a year of networking. Andy Mack wonderfully showed the crowd a power point of what we are about. This resulted in 5 guests submitting their applications on the spot. At the right, 4 new members are inducted at our May 17 meeting. (2 more next meeting!)



Ventura Kiwanis and the DATA Builders Club for the past several years have joined together to make quilts to be delivered to the Ventura County Medical Center for Chemo patients, to help them through their treatment. Nurses from the center come to the school to accept the quilts and are always super grateful.



The DATA Builders Club planted succulents in small pots to be given to all the teachers on Teacher Appreciation Day.



The Aktion Club of Ventura teamed up with the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy to help replant seeds in their Ojai Meadows Preserve. Located next to Nordhoff High School in Meiners Oaks, several trails run through this restored wetland area. A hot spot for birding and easy trails make the Ojai Meadows Preserve a community favorite.



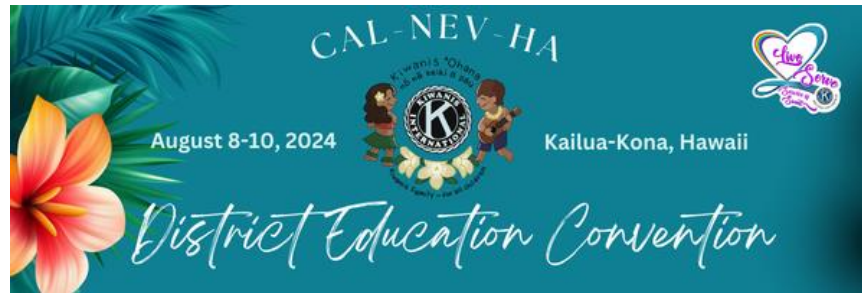


# Division 42 THE HUB

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### Registration Options

Early Registration Fee: \$240 (Register by June 7) Regular: \$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](mailto: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



## Camp Whittier-Santa Barbara

May 3-5, 2024



# 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 *(Note date change!)*

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

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in Pediatric Trauma Prevention programs

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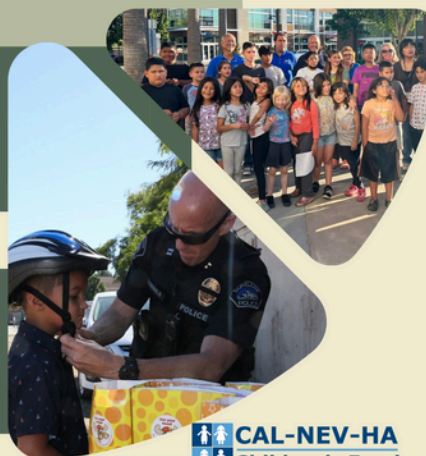
in grants to our Kiwanis clubs to support their service projects

\$128,928

in youth development to prepare our students to become leaders

\$145,137

in scholarships to help make college a reality for our students



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