



**Kids In Distress Auxiliary** February 2021

# The Kids Advocate

*News and information for our members and supporters.*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Thursday, February 25th

*Auxiliary Board Meeting*

*7:00pm*

*Zoom*

### Friday, February 26th

*Nominations open for*

*2021-2022 Executive Board*

### Sunday, March 14th

*KHK Meeting*

*Zoom*

*4 :00pm*

### Friday, March 26th

*Nominations close for*

*2021-2022 Executive Board*

### Saturday, April 10th

*KHK Respite/Meeting*

*Wilton Manors Campus*

*10:00am*

*(If campus is open to groups)*

### Thursday, April 15th

*Auxiliary Board Meeting*

*7:00pm*

*Zoom*



## President's Message

*"Work for a cause, not for applause. Live life to express, not to impress."*

*~Unknown*

Dear Auxiliary Members,

I am sharing this quote again from a newsletter from a few years ago. I believe this fits our members, their families and our friends of the Auxiliary. This year has been like no other and we have risen to the challenge and worked tirelessly to support the children and families of KID. I am so fortunate to stand, well ZOOM, with such caring and dedicated women.

Here is an update of all that has happened in past couple months...

**Irene Carraway** continues to organize dinner delivery (twice a week) to the Foster homes on both campuses. Thank you to **Cindy Pederson and Lisa Marcet** for organizing and delivering the gifts to Miss Denise's home for Adopt A Family. KHK adopted Miss Toy and Miss Sarah's homes in Southwest Ranches. Thank you to **Sandi Hertzbach, Lissette Wolf and KHK** members for organizing and giving the children a fun afternoon of activities.

The KID HERO Virtual 5/10K was a RECORD BREAKING event raising \$132,000.00! Thank you to **Lisa Schultz, Amanda Sheff, Kathie Methven, Sandi Hertzbach, Lissette Wolf and KHK** for countless hours spent securing sponsors, fundraising and promoting our event. See the newsletter for a recap of the event, see our devoted sponsors and read about the top team Fundraiser - Team KHK Avengers. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event a success!

**Linda Petersen, Julie Dowd and Lynn Urtel** gave us a chance to be social and "Beat the Boredom" by hosting Virtual Bingo on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Bingo committee for a great night of fun and prizes.

It is that time of year - Parliamentarians **Lynn Marchetto and Dalia Quinones** are ready to kick off the process of appointing a new Executive Board and Committee Chairs for 2021-2022. Now is the time to think about what you love to do and how you can share your talents with the Auxiliary. Nominate yourself or another member for next year's Auxiliary Board.

The Agency's signature Duck Fest has been moved from March to June and will be presented as a Virtual Event. Information to follow as it becomes available. The Let's Face It campaign is still live. If you haven't had the opportunity to purchase one of the artist created, mission inspired facemasks or would like another you can visit [letsfaceitsoflo.org](https://letsfaceitsoflo.org) to shop.

Thank you for your continued dedication to KID and the Auxiliary!

Together, we make what seems impossible, *KIDpossible*.

Sincerely,

Sandy Nori

President

[subrbnmama@aol.com](mailto:subrbnmama@aol.com)





It's that time of year! Nominations are now open for the 2021-2022 Executive Board for the KID Auxiliary.

It has been another amazing year with our Auxiliary! The 5K was "SUPER" successful, and Bingo was as well! Members donated many hours of service through our Thanksgiving Food Drive, Adopt

A Family, KHK and by providing bi-weekly meals to the KID Agency campus foster homes. Throughout the year our Board Officers and Committee Chairs met and worked to keep it all going. Thank you for all you do for Kids In Distress. Now we are excited to announce that the nominating season for our 2021-2022 Board officially begins **Friday February 26th**. It is time to begin the process of appointing a new executive board.

Each year we fill the positions with a talented group of women that we are proud to work with! Please consider taking on the challenge of a leadership role and don't worry about "knowing the job". ***Nominate yourself, nominate a friend, or consider doing the job together.*** The only qualification needed to be a board member of the KID Auxiliary is a desire to make a difference in the lives of the children that are served by the KID Agency. Remember, our organization is filled with wonderful women who will be there every step of the way to support you!

The Nominating Committee will be accepting nominations until **Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. They will submit the proposed slate of officers to the current Board for approval at the April 15th Board Meeting. After approval, the slate will be presented to the General Membership for voting and installation at the End of Year Meeting held in May.

Fill out the attached Nomination Form and email to Lynn Marchetto at marchetto425@me.com. If you have any questions about the positions or the nominating process, call Lynn Marchetto at 954-849-3701 or Dalia Quinones at 954-599-8805.

You CAN make a difference, volunteer!

Thank you,

Lynn Marchetto and Dalia Quinones

KID Auxiliary Parliamentarians

**NOMINATION FORM**  
**KIDS IN DISTRESS AUXILIARY**

2021-2022

**President**

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**1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President(s); Sponsorship**

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President(s); Membership**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President(s); Events Hero 5K**

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**4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Children Services**

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**Recording Secretary**

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**Corresponding Secretary**

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**Treasurer(s)**

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**PARLIAMENTARIAN(s)**

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Contact Lynn Marchetto with any questions at **(954) 849-3701**. Email your completed nomination form to [marchetto425@me.com](mailto:marchetto425@me.com) Not interested in one of the positions listed. Please tell us how you would like to serve the Auxiliary next year (e.g., chair a committee, volunteer with the children, share our work with the community, plan social event or suggest ideas for donors).



**The KID Hero Virtual 5/10K during January 10th-30th was a huge success. We zoomed to the finish line raising a whopping 132k!!!! Hosting this event virtual wasn't quite the same but we all came together and made it happen.**

**Thank you to those auxiliary and KHK members who shared, posted and reeled on social media. And to those who took time on their Saturday mornings to hand out flyers or help promote the event. Reaching participants through social media channels was more important this year than ever.**

**A special shout out to Chris Bomfin for exploding KHK's instagram (@kidshelpingkids\_kid) with creative posts and videos to help promote the event. Max Gonzalez, Billy Mac Clement, Shea Korman, Barbara Bomfin, Mira Levinson, and Daria Demydenko created inspiring videos to share and help promote. If you have not seen these videos you must check them out!**

**Special thanks to one of our newest auxiliary members Gloria Coursey and her family for organizing a safe and covid friendly run with some soccer and school friends at Weston Regional Park. It was a beautiful day and the 35 plus participants were thrilled to come together and run/walk for a good cause.**

**And a final HUGE THANK YOU to the countless sponsors who help to make this event truly a success. The efforts put in by Lisa Schultz along with Irene Carraway are greatly appreciated!**

**Highlights:**

- ★ **364 runners/walkers (546 in 2020)**
- ★ **\$100,000 in sponsorships (\$114,500 in 2020)**
- ★ **Kids Helping Kids (KHK) raised \$22,605, which includes an amazing 15k X-Men Sponsorship! (\$1,080 in 2020)**
- ★ **KID Auxiliary raised \$9,004 (\$1,270 in 2020)**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2022**

**IN RECOGNITION OF OUR KID AUXILIARY HERO 5/10K  
CORPORATE SPONSORS AND DONORS!  
THEY ARE HEROES FOR KID!**



**UKG**

**Corporate Partnership-Anonymous**

**Leo Goodwin Foundation**

**Lauderdale BMW Pembroke Pines**

**Saxon Business Systems**

**WalMart**

**Turner Construction**

**Cotton Images**

**Omniangle**

**Coldwell Banker**

**The George Stern & Sara Stern Foundation**

**Aetna**

**Levenson, Katzin & Ballotta**

**Buron Family Fund**

**Marathon Computer Services**

**JEM Promotions**

**Tastebuds Catering**

# **Beat the Boredom Bingo**

Our first Virtual Bingo event "Beat the Boredom Bingo" was a huge success! Julie and I were overwhelmed with the response from players, sponsors and donors who stepped up to help make it so.

We had guests from various parts of Florida, CA, GA, NC, AL, ILL, and TX. It was such fun to see you all saying hi to one another, members, friends and family alike.

The generosity shown by the different levels of sponsors was record-breaking. Also, the Raffle Prizes and Gift Cards given to the Bingo winners were provided by our KID members. We sure gave away a number of nice raffle prizes that night - it was fun addition to the Bingo games too. Needless to say we couldn't have done it without all of our very generous supporters of KID!

Thanks to **Jeremy, the Director of Christian Education at St. Paul's Lutheran Church**, who was our production manager, lighting, sound effects and studio set-up guy. We were so lucky he agreed to help us out because I know we definitely couldn't have done those extra bits without his expertise.

Thanks also to **Lynn Urtel** who organized the Sign Up Genius to get Bingo gift cards donated for the game winners. What a wonderful response to that request! .....KID has amazing donors.

Thanks also to **Mike Dowd** and **Dahlia Quinones-Zayas** for being our tech support team fielding any calls from people needing help to get into Zoom and Bingomaker. Thanks to **Irene Carraway** for being our assistant with program flow. Also to **Larry Petersen** who played our Bingo caller once again. He only said "Ladies" once but amused them as always.

Thanks to **Julie Dowd** for all of her record keeping and use of her Zoom account, When I wasn't sure I could handle a virtual Bingo fundraiser, Julie believed and said, "We can do this". Even with a few glitches that evening, Julie was calm and got us back on track. Wahoo!

Please see the lengthy list of our incredible donors below and on our website.

Thank, you, Thank you, Thank you to all who donated when asked. ♥

Gratefully,

Linda & Julie





## SPONSORS

**\$1,000**

Sandra & Peter Nori    Joanne McDonald    Mary Moreno

**\$500**

Glenda Abbate    Lisa & Bill Schultz

**\$250**

Robin Hammel    Debbie & Percy Lopez  
Kaye & Chuck LeGrow    Cindy Pederson

**\$100**

Yarilynn Burke  
Donna Douglas  
Dolores Inman  
Susan Mahan

Michelle Matzer  
Lynn Michaelides  
Amy Mihelich  
Karen Montejo  
Marcie Myerow

Beth Park  
Linda Petersen  
Dahlia Quinones-Zayas  
Sue Ray  
Jane Schmidt

**\$50**

MaryEllen Ballotta  
Elaine Boone  
Vivian Carsello  
Robin Cavallaro  
Irene Carraway  
Priscilla Clark

Julie Devlin  
Ruth Disrude  
Anne Fouch  
Jessica Fraser  
Lolly Gamma  
Amy Jones

Karen Lynch  
Lynn Marchetto  
Jenny Miller  
Mikita Orosz  
Rita Poh  
Sharon Sullivan  
Lynn Urtel



## **Bingo & Raffle Prize Donors**

**Yarilynn Burke**

**Dale Carcache**

**Irene Carraway**

**Robin Cavallaro**

**Ruby Diaz**

**Julie Dowd**

**Jessica Fraser**

**Donna Goodner**

**Leonor Hynes**

**Kathie Methven**

**Amy Mihelich**

**Sandra Nori**

**Candy Norton**

**Linda Patullo**

**Linda Petersen**

**Lisa Punsalan**

**Sue Ray**

**Lisa Schultz**

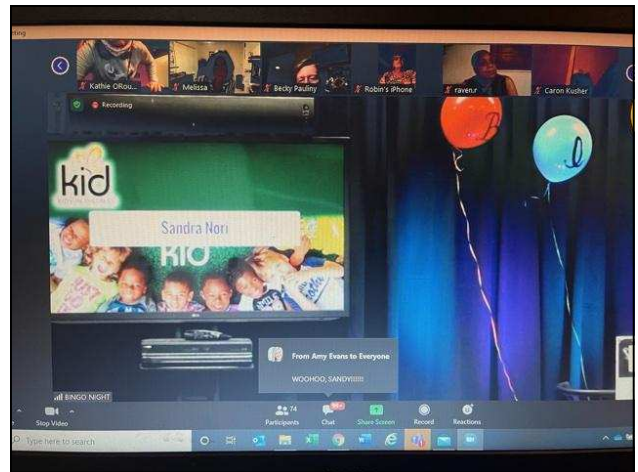
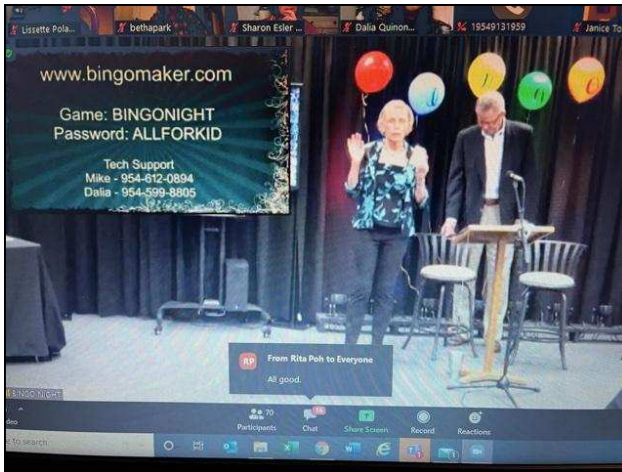
**Jan Tonyan**

**Lynn Urtel**

**Orvi Voltz**

**Lisette Wolf**





Recording

**SPONSORSHIP LEVEL:**  
Contender

Mary Ellen Ballotta	Ruth Disrude	Lynn Marchetto
Elaine Boone	Anne Fouch	Jenny Miller
Irene Carraway	Lolly Gamma	Mikita Orosz
Vivian Carsello	Jessica Fraser	Rita Poh
Robin Cavallero	Mick & Amy Jones	Sharon Sullivan
Priscilla Clark	Karen Lynch	Lynn Urtel

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Sponsorship Services

BINGO NIGHT

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Recording

**BINGO & RAFFLE PRIZE DONORS**

Yarilynn Burke	Julie Dowd	Candy Norton
Dale Carcache	Jessica Fraser	Linda Patullo
Irene Carraway	Donna Goodner	Linda Petersen
Robin Cavallero	Sandi Hertzbach	Lisa Punsalan
Ruby Diaz	Leonor Hynes	Sue Ray
	KID Agency	Lisa Schultz
	Sumitra Marciano	Jan Tonyan
	Kathie Methvan	Lynn Urtel
	Amy Mihelich	Orvi Voltz
	Sandra Nori	Lisette Wolf

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# Special Activities

At the beginning of February, Sohara and I went to the Agency to drop by "kits for the kids" for the months of February and March. We spoke with the preschool director and since there are not volunteers allowed in campus yet, we came up with the idea of putting together and dropping off the materials needed (and instructions) to do activities similar to the ones we did every month with the children before COVID. We also included a guide for the teacher with the description of the main goal of the activities, the materials provided, some You Tube video links related with the theme of the month as well as goody bag with some stickers and clay. The theme for the month of February is the identification of emotions and for the month of March it is the introduction of some basic emotional self-regulation strategies.



We simplified the self-regulation strategies to 3 and we paired them to the first 3 letter of the alphabet, so it would be easier for the kids to remember when dealing with their uncomfortable emotions:

A= for Art (paint, coloring... are great distracting techniques)

B= for Bubbles (which is a great way to show them how to practice deep breathing)

C= for Clay (stress toys, etc)

Maite Herrera and Sohara Pérez Osuna

# ***Kids Helping KID***

KHK has continued to keep up the momentum by raising awareness and fundraising for the agency.

December, the KHK members helped fulfill the wish lists of three on-site homes, which came out to 115 gifts! We even gave gifts to the foster moms this year. Grace Lancelot, Liv Yari, Matthew Wolf, Gabe, Spencer Sturman, and Zach and Lexton Hertzbach hosted a holiday get-together for the SouthWest Ranches homes with games and activities.

In January, our team worked hard to promote the auxiliary's Hero 5k event. We had Moises, Max, and Sophie Myerow volunteering at the Mayor's challenge. Zach and Lexton Hertzbach went to the Jingle Bell run in downtown Ft. Lauderdale to pass out flyers and put up posters out East. Andres Cabrero, Max, and Sophie Myerow put up flyers around town as well. Amanda Dilsen and Julia Karrer shared with their school and club. We also had Barbara, Moise, and Peyton helping with packet pick-up.

## **Here are the KHK Avengers results**

Our team raised over \$23,000.00

Top KHK fundraisers: Matthew Wolf (\$700) and Skyler Schwanewede (\$575)

Top KHK mom fundraisers: Cris Bomfim- Barbra's mom (\$750) Cristina Baldim- Julia's mom (\$15,000)

Top KHK family fundraisers: Wolf family (\$2,100) and Bomfim family (\$1,950)

Top recruiter: Andres Cabrero (35 participants)

## **Legends of the Future award for KHK members that raised over \$250. The following students received certificates for their fundraising efforts.**

- Barbra Bomfim
- Hannah Egert
- Sophie Egert
- Max Gonzalez
- Kai Hayen
- Lexton Hertzbach
- Zach Hertzbach
- Grace Lancelot- **winner of the gift card tree**
- Kate Lancelot
- Felipe Pasquatti
- Skyler Schwanewede
- Matthew Wolf
- Ryan Wolf

**VOLUNTEERS**  
Make a world of difference!



**The following KHK members who took the time to create videos for social media:**

- Barbara Bomfim
- Billy Mac Clement
- Daria Demydenko
- Max Gonzalez
- Shea Korman
- Mira Levinson
- Catalina Ruiz- created content for social media posts

KHK members Gabe Sturman, Nathaniel Heit and Max Gonzalez continue to provide online tutoring for the SouthWest Ranches homes.

Grace and Kate Lancelot, Matthew and Ryan Wolf and Zach and Lexton Hertzbach, Ryan and Tyler Van Smith, Teddy Biggs and Moises Mata's families have provided meals for the foster homes

Matthew Wolf, Zach and Lexton Hertzbach have provided respite for Ms. Jennifer and Ms. Denise's homes.

Good job KHK!

Sandi Hertzbach  
Lissette Wolf  
KHK Coordinators



# **MEMBERSHIP**



*Welcome to our newest members!*



Gloria Coursey



Laura Heit



Griselle Manzano



# Happy Birthday to our Members!



## February

- 3rd Meador, Dotti
- 3rd Lopez, Debbie
- 4th Burke, Yanilynn
- 6th Lancelot, Michele
- 6th Ochoa, Maria
- 7th Zoley, Donna
- 9th Harthausen, Donna
- 17th Patullo, Linda



## March

- 1st Methven, Kathie
- 9th Bomfin, Cristiane
- 9th Norton, Candy
- 9th Pico Aguirre, Silvina
- 10th Goldstein, Karen
- 12th Marcet, Lisa
- 15th Tulle, Maya Bensalem
- 18th Jarvis, Suzanne
- 20th Amer, Sophie
- 20th Schwanewede, Lisa
- 22nd Ballotta, Mary Ellen
- 26th Michaelides, Lynn
- 30th Osman, Lois
- 30th Ruiz, Alba Cecilia

## April

- 4th McCarty, Valerie
- 4th Gonzalez, Francess V.
- 9th Sullivan, Sharon Esler
- 10th Burson, Juanita
- 10th Nori, Sandra
- 16th Powell, Ann
- 22nd Korman, Sherri
- 28th Gleicher, Claudia
- 28th Hynes, Leonor
- 29th Azevedo, Mara Lucia
- 30th Russo, Francesca

## May

- 2nd Pasquatti, Maria
- 5th Wild, Maggie
- 6th Ocana, Lisbeth
- 8th Conrad, Tracy
- 12th Medel, Deborah
- 13th Gipps, Veronica
- 20th Thorne, Veronika
- 21st Kelley, Liz
- 21st Matzer, Michelle
- 24th LeGrow, Kaye
- 26th Chiliberti, Christina
- 26th Wolf, Lissette Polanco
- 28th Voltz, Orvilla
- 28th Coursey, Gloria

If you do not see your birthday on the list, and would like it added for next year, please email Jan Tonyan, [ptonyan@bellsouth.net](mailto:ptonyan@bellsouth.net).  
It is not in our data base yet.



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visit  
[www.kidaux.org](http://www.kidaux.org)

*pay membership dues, event calendar, newsletter and more*

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## Auxiliary Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 25th

Time: 7:00pm

Location: ZOOM

All members are Welcome!



For more information about the Kids In Distress Auxiliary and upcoming events, go to our website [www.KIDAUX.org](http://www.KIDAUX.org). New members are welcome to join at any time during the year and a membership form can be found on our website. If you have specific questions about membership, please contact Dalia Quinones at [daliaqz@gmail.com](mailto:daliaqz@gmail.com) or Jan Tonyan at [ptonyan@bellsouth.net](mailto:ptonyan@bellsouth.net).



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