
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM MARCH 27, 2024



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Fiscal Year Oct 1-Sep 30

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Journey to the Planets and Beyond Neil Mottinger, Navigation Engineer

Inner Planet Navigation
Navigation & Mission Design
Jet Propulsion Laboratory
Pasadena, CA



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

04/03/24 - Joe Thompson

04/10/24 - Jack Labrie

04/17/24 - Tom Petersmeyer

04/24/24 - John Ryan

Inspiration:

04/03/24 - Rosemary Hook

04/10/24 - Insook Park

04/17/24 - Joyce Ruygrok

04/24/24 - Christie Crahan

Song Leader:

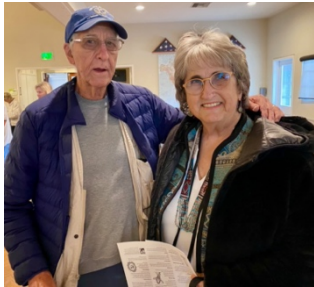
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ZOOM PROBLEMS: If you get booted out JUST go to
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGOVN0NGhMZz09>
and log back on.

Calendar of Events:

Club Board Meeting-7:30 am, 1st Monday of the month (except on holidays then 2nd Monday) at small room near Parish Hall or on Zoom.

- Our next meeting is on April 1st is on Zoom. Members are welcome to join us. The zoom link will be shared by email to all.



Division 3 (DCM) Board Meeting-5:30 pm, 3rd Monday of the month at the Elks Lodge, 120 E Colorado St, Glendale

- Chris welcomes members to help by attending the DCM meetings, sometimes his work prevents him from attending. Let him know if you will attend, your help in representing our club is important and will help us stay informed. **Our club needs to host the snacks for the meeting on April 15th.**

KEY CLUB/BUILDERS CLUB MEETINGS

- St. Bede Builders Club**-12:15pm, 2nd Wednesday, at Parish Center with Glory Williams.
- Rosemont Builders Club**-12:30 pm, 1st Wednesday in Multi-purpose Rm with Jessica Cole.
- St. Francis HS Key Club**-11:45 am, 2nd or 3rd Wednesday, Rm #104 with Patrick Davitt and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.
- Franklin Key HS Club**-12:22 pm, every Tuesday, Rm #530, with Davy Mouremann and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.
- Crescenta Valley HS Key Club**-12:17 pm, every Tuesday, Rm #7205, or North Gym with Saul Sheridan and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.
- Clark Magnet HS Key Club**-11:50 am on odd-dated Wednesday, Rm #5215 with Ms. Mardirosian and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.
- Village Christian HS Key Club**-12:30pm, twice a month on Thursday, Rm #B-2 with Ms. Lilit Vartanian and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Programs/Speakers:

- 04/03/24** – Ronald McDonald House guest speaker
- 04/10/24** – Service Project: Kids Activity Kits for Ronald McDonald House
- 04/17/24** – LCUSD Superintendent: Wendy Sinnette
- 04/24/24** – NO Morning Meeting
- St. Bede Builders Club Prayer Luncheon @ St. Bede at NOON**

Hospitality: Coffee & Tea, pastries.

Newsletter: Zoom Operators: **Chris Ecker & Brian Hummel**, Editor: **Cindy Bradford**, Photos: **Cindy Bradford**

THIS PAST WEEK...

Members in Attendance: 16 members & 3 guests in-person and 4 members on Zoom. A special appearance from Danny too, an adorable dog staying with Chuck & Susan Johnson.

Guests: Our Speaker, **Neil Mottinger**

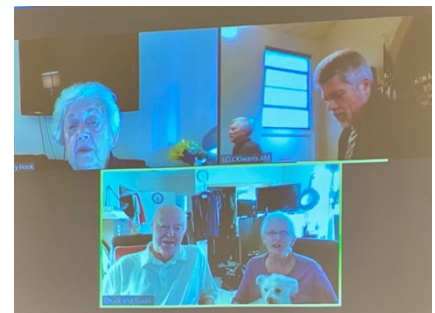
Welcome Back: **Dick & Evie Barley**

Birthdays: None

Anniversaries: None

Ribbon Cuttings: None

Opportunity Drawing: None



NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & ZOOMED on April 3, at 7:30am PST. Come chat at 7:15am. Zoom meeting ID is 81544355138 and passcode is 505812
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGOVN0NGhMZz09>



NEWSLETTER EDITORS/PHOTOGRAPHERS NEEDED Editors will no longer need to write about the program unless they wish to do so. Just include the info on HAMS & announcements. You will send the info to either Martha Burns or substitute editor to finish it up & convert to PDF and send to members.

• As guest editor this week, I came to realize that Martha's experience at our weekly meetings is VERY different than the rest of us! She cannot just sit back and enjoy, she is busy taking pictures, collecting receipts, handing out reimbursements, taking notes & pictures for newsletter, etc. Wow, we need to appreciate her a bit more ... AND ... maybe take turns handling the newsletter sometimes to give her a break. ~ Cindy

Kiwanis Officers and Directors: If you have a program/speaker, please give name/date/contact info to **Martha Burns or Cindy Bradford** as they will be the schedulers. Check out our website's calendar to schedule/view future programs. www.lcfkiwanisam.org Remember speakers can join us on Zoom, so anyone far or near might be good candidates.

President's Announcements: Chris Ecker

- **Have YOU helped us schedule a "program" for a meeting yet this year?**
- **April 8** Les Tupper Awards Presentation @ 7 pm, Flintridge Prep Norris Auditorium. **Our club is receiving an award, please come!** Our president and treasurer cannot attend, so we NEED many members to represent us by attending.
- **April 24** Builders Club Prayer Lunch @ Noon, St. Bede. NO MORNING MEETING.
- **Kiwanis Riverside Conference Report** – Rosemary shared that KI is considering realigning Divisions. The proposal is for Division 10 to be assigned into our Division 3 which means that there will be one less Trustee. The discussion will continue.
- **Nominations for Club Officers** – We need to conduct our elections at a general meeting by May 15th.

Next week our program is: Francisco Gallegos, Pasadena Ronald McDonald House

Food Run Signature Service Project:

We need more members to get involved with this project. Are you interested in helping? If so, let Cindy know and she will connect you with the person that handles the day(s) that interest you. You will do a ride along to learn the updated process, and after you can offer to be added to the rotation OR simply be trained and ready to help when the need arises.

- **Tuesday's – Norie** needs help, please call her at 818-486-7077 if you can take on 1 Tuesday per month. A special thanks to **Insook Park** for stepping in to help, she is taking on one Tuesday per month. Ideally, Norie is hoping to find one more person to help with a day per month.

Community Service Update:

We continue to support the Bailey Center food pantry. **We donated 300 boxes of spaghetti**, and Cindy delivered last weekend. She bought it at Ralphs because we appreciate all they give to our Food Run program.

Kiwanis Announcements: **Tom Petersmeyer** has the Kiwanis hats/caps for anyone who would like to purchase them for \$31.21. **Chris Ecker** has about 20 3'x5' flags still from the Veterans project that the club will sell for \$10.

Other Announcements: Please let **Martha or Rosemary** know if there are any changes in your personal info we have on file-like phone #, email or address change etc.

Upcoming InterClubs: Always check our newsletter calendar and the calendar on the website lcfkiwanisam.org to see what is going on.

Upcoming Key Clubs: TBA

Health News: Please contact **Dani Hydar** if you know of someone who needs a card or cheering up.

H.A.M.S.:

- **Martha (\$5)** – She had lots of fun and enjoyed a great meal at brunch at the Magic Castle. She went to see the Bachelor Final Rose taping, always fun drama on the show. At the Pantages theater she saw Dancing with the Stars Pros show, and even sat near a previous contestant. She is so excited about her trip to Japan!
- **Brian (\$10)** – He thanked Dick & Evie Barley for doing his food run recently when he was out of town. Our recent field trip to the San Gabriel Mission turned into something special. 40 years ago, he and Moira got married in the Mission Church, and during this visit there was nobody in there when they arrived. They were able to sit together and say prayers and renew their vows with each other! How lovely.
- **Insook (\$10)** – She is Grateful Every day! She enjoyed the tour outing too. Her son traveled to NY with his kids, and she enjoys all the pictures he is sharing, she is thrilled that they are having a fun trip.
- **Jack (\$10)** – He has been very busy clearing out his house that will be for sale very soon. He is heading to visit a living facility in Encinitas to finalize his move there. He has a Boston Emerson piano that he would like to give away.
- **Christie (\$100)** – In loving memory of her husband, Sean. Although the wrongful death lawsuit against Chandler Convalescent Hospital did not shut the facility down, she is pleased that the settlement includes required training for all staff to learn practices to better care for patients with Diabetes and Parkinsons. She is proud of her children that kept records that certainly helped the family win the case.
- **Joyce Ruygrok (\$10)** – She enjoys watching the USC Women's Basketball team!
- **Joe Thompson (\$5)** – He was thrilled to introduce his friend, Neil Mottinger, our guest speaker today.

Program/Speaker: Neil Mottinger – JPL

It all began when his mom had him use a neighbor's telescope. He slept outside in a tent, and he miraculously saw the Galileo Satellite. He clearly loves his work; he has worked at JPL as a Navigation Engineer since 1967. He delighted us with a very interesting presentation!

MARS - In 1965, the Mariner 4 spacecraft made history when it completed the first flyby reconnaissance of Mars after a 228-day journey from Earth. In 1971, the Mariner 9 was the first spacecraft to orbit Mars. The spacecraft entered Martian orbit and began photographing the surface and analyzing the atmosphere with its infrared and ultraviolet instruments. At the time of Mariner 9's arrival, Mars was almost totally obscured by dust storms.

JUPITER - NASA launched the two Voyager spacecraft to Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune in the late summer of 1977. Voyager 1's closest approach to Jupiter occurred March 5, 1979. Voyager 2's closest approach was July 9, 1979. Photography of Jupiter began in January 1979, when images of the brightly banded planet already exceeded the best taken from Earth. Voyager 1 completed its Jupiter encounter in early April, after taking almost 19,000 pictures and many other scientific measurements. Voyager 2 picked up the

baton in late April and its encounter continued into August. They took more than 33,000 pictures of Jupiter and its five major satellites.



Ingenuity Mars Helicopter

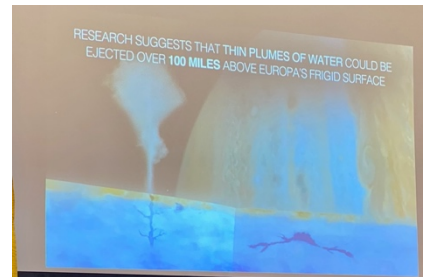
Designed for up to 5 flights over 30 days. It eventually completed 72 flights in just under 3 years. It operated on Mars from 2021-2024 as part of the Mars 2020 mission. Cost: 80 million dollars.



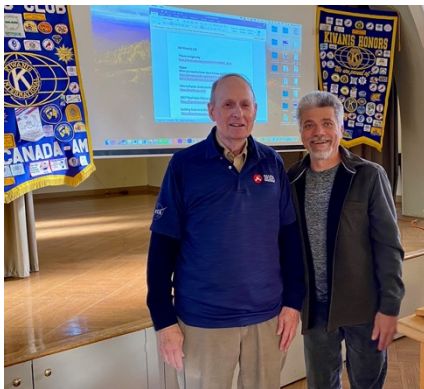
NASA'S EUROPA CLIPPER MISSION

Will visit the mysterious MOON to determine if it has conditions favorable for life. Europa Clipper will fly as close as 16 miles above the surface providing an unprecedented science investigation helping us answer one of the most fundamental questions ever ... Are We Alone?

Scientists are almost certain a vast ocean lies beneath Europa's icy shell. In 2024, the journey begins! Why Europa? Europa has the ingredients essential for life ... water, chemistry & energy.



Understanding the composition of these potential plumes could shed light on the makeup of its alien ocean.



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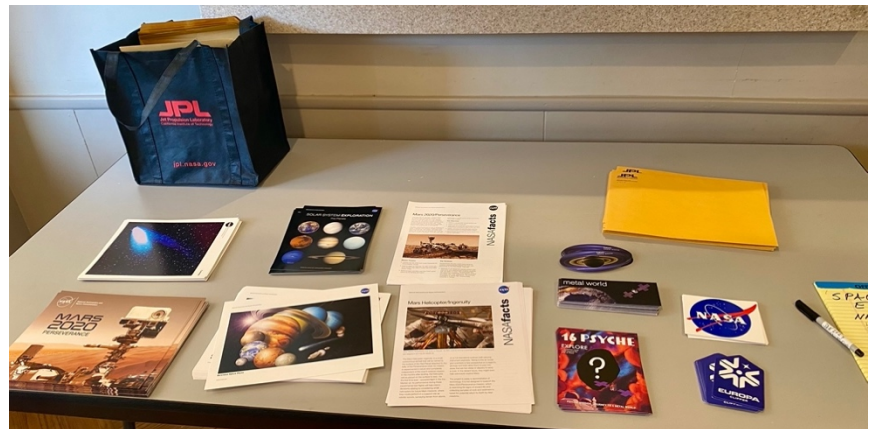
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Psyche.asu.edu

Here are a few of the links that Neil shared with us so you can take a closer look.

Intro to Psyche. Good scientists
<https://psyche.asu.edu>

2017 Total Solar Eclipse in Real Time
<https://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap240303.html>

Looking Back at an Eclipsed Earth August 11, 1999
<https://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap240324.html>



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