
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

August 14, 2024



2023-2024 Officers

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Fiscal Year Oct 1-Sep 30

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Wednesdays at 7:30 am
LCIF Parish Hall or Zoom
1700 Foothill Boulevard
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Joy Gibson-Craft Talk



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

08/21/24 – Susan Johnson

08/28/24 – Martha Burns

09/04/24 – John Ryan

09/11/24 – Barbie Elan

Inspiration:

08/21/24 – Chuck Johnson

08/28/24 – Joyce Ruygrok

09/04/24 – Christie Crahan

09/11/24 – Joyce Ruygrok

Song Leader:

08/21/24 – Joy Gibson

08/28/24 – Christie Crahan

09/04/24 – Brian Hummel

09/11/24 – Christie Crahan



ZOOM PROBLEMS: If you get booted out **JUST** go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMz09> 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

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

KEY CLUB/BUILDERS CLUB MEETINGS (During School Year)

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. Violet 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:

08/21/24 – Our Club’s Finances-Martha Burns, Treasurer

08/28/24 – CVHS WellNest – Daniella Torrecilla

09/04/24 – Glendale PD Canine Unit

09/09/24 – Board Meeting, 7:30am, LCIF Conference Room

09/11/24 – LCF Orthopedic Guild-Joan Cleven & Deedee Neuanes

Hospitality: Courtesy of Barbie Eland & Cindy Bradford

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THIS PAST WEEK...

Members in Attendance: 7 members in person and 0 members on Zoom & 1 guest in person and 0 guests on Zoom.

Guests: Evie Barley

Welcome Back: None

Birthdays: Dani Hydar, Aug. 16 & Brian Hummel, Aug. 20

Anniversaries: John & Donna Wray, Aug. 19

Ribbon Cuttings: None



President's Message:

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & ZOOMED on August 21, at 7:30am PST. Come chat at 7am. Zoom meeting ID is 81544355138 and passcode is 505812
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMz09>

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 Cindy Bradford to finish it up & convert to PDF and then they will load on to our website.

Kiwanis Officers and Directors: If you have a program/speaker, please give name/date 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: **Barbie Eland** is standing as "president" today and **Joy Gibson** as song leader, since Chris, Brian and Christie are all out of town on trips. **Joe Thompson's** service will be Saturday, August 17 at LC Presbyterian Church at 2pm. We need programs in the coming months. Put your thinking caps on.

- **Aug 8-10 is Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha District Convention** in Kona, Hawaii
- For 2023-24 club officers who missed the district's **Kiwanis Leadership Training** sessions this year, Kiwanis International is providing a set of prerecorded webinar videos for presidents, secretaries, treasurers and membership chairs. Each video runs between 60 and 90 minutes. There are two sets for each club officer: one for first-time officers and another for those who have held the position in the past. The link for these videos is: [Kiwanis Led Training | Kiwanis International](#)

Next week our program is: Our Budget with treasurer **Martha Burns** having members understand our finances and help with budget preparation. Since Brian and Chris will be gone still, **NO ZOOM!**

Kiwanis Announcements: **Martha Burns** mentioned that she is working on next year's budget and wants input from all of you, and is emailing you in the next few days a "temporary" proposed budget for the 24-25 fiscal year that starts Oct 1. The actual data you will see are income & expenses from Oct. 1 23 to Aug 14, 24. She will be the program next week to help you understand the process & get your input for any changes. Unfortunately, KI had to raise Club annual dues owed to them by \$25pp. She is hoping we will not have to raise our dues, since your generous Happy/Sad bucks are certainly helping our Admin bank account. The total dues paid to KI, Cal-Nev-Ha District & Division 3 will

total \$182pp due in Oct. Right now our club charges each member \$180pp a year. **Cindy Bradford** reminded us to help with getting programs!! Let her know of any contacts. **Rosemary Hook** said board officers must attend the CLE (Club Leadership Education) VIRTUALLY during the month of August. She will send you an email about the directions. Also KI may be sending you an email with some interesting info on how KI operates.

Other Announcements: **Chuck Hughes** passed out flyers on the 12th annual Bingo Night that benefits veterans' programs in the Foothill area this Friday night, held at Holy Redeemer Church. \$25 entry for food and 45 chances to win. Every year our club is a \$400 sponsor. See attachment with this newsletter. 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. **Christie Crahan** is working on some interclub meetings.

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

H.A.M.S.: **John Ryan** gave a happy \$5 as his grandson is visiting and just turned 18 and they are going to Topgolf in El Segundo-a sprawling entertainment venue with a high-tech driving range & swanky lounge with drinks & games. We look forward to another happy buck next week telling us all about it. **Barbie Eland** also donated 5 happy bucks. Her granddaughter will be a senior at Cornell and has already been offered a job with Wells Fargo in Chicago after graduation. Barbie was hoping for some place closer, but still happy! **Dick Barley** matched everyone's \$5 and was happy to have his "Chicago" family here for a visit following a visit from his "Tampa" family. Lots of fun. **Marie Hyland** also gave \$5 since we have had several small earthquakes recently. She remembers as a child watching movies about earthquakes and large holes in the ground swallowed up all the people! She was so scared back then. **Martha Burns** then told a \$5 story about her friend Sue visiting quite a few years ago and they were at the Glendale Center Theater seeing/hearing an Elvis tribute artist, when the whole place started to shake. The overhead lights and equipment were really swinging, and the announcer came on and said "Elvis-you must leave the building." Then we all went outside. To this day she teases her friend that she always provides new experiences for her when she visits-including an earthquake. **Joy Gibson** told a \$1 story.



Program/Speaker: Joy Gibson Craft Talk

Joy started out by saying he “was born at an early age” in Pasadena. So he didn’t exactly give us a date but I think he’s close to 90. His dad was a pastor at different churches. He even remembers hearing on the radio on Dec. 7, 1941 that Japan had been bombed. He grew up near Bakersfield and joined the Air Force after school and moved to San Antonio. He also went to a tech school there. He met Barbara, who was a teacher and had a mix of white, Hispanic and black students. They got engaged before he went to boot camp and got married after boot camp. Then he was sent to Victorville and trained on a fighter plane. He probably would still be there, however Barbara did not like the dust storms in Victorville. His parents could not afford college, so he learned a trade and went to barber school. He could have graduated from high school early, but he didn’t have 4 years of PE, so he had to make that up. He actually enjoyed cutting hair and continued to do that on the side for 17 years. He tried engineering, but failed miserably at it. His brother suggested he try law school. So they went back to TX and attended Southwest University at night and worked as a barber at a men’s clothing store. Barbara continued to teach. They eventually moved back to Pasadena and after a couple of firms he eventually found a fit and stayed 45 years in the same office. He didn’t handle divorces, but was involved mostly with estate planning.

He and Barbara have 3 sons, 6 grandkids and 4 great-grandchildren. He has been very involved with his church in Sierra Madre since 1961 and their social life revolved around the people they met there. But recently he has decided to look for a new church as his former one has made a lot of changes. As you know, Joy is our “Salvation Army Bell-ringer” chairperson since he joined our club in 2001. He actually joined a different Kiwanis club in 1971, where he first got involved with SA. He has been on their AA advisory board for a many years. He certainly has been a long-time Kiwanian and we as members over the years have certainly enjoyed his jokes at Happy/Sad Bucks time. Thank you Joy for giving us a little peek into your life and giving all of us such joy over the years at our Kiwanis meetings!

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