
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

September 4, 2024



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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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Glendale Police K-9 Unit



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

09/11/24 – Barbie Eland

09/18/24 – Dick Barley

09/25/24 – John Ryan

10/02/24 – Christie Crahan

Inspiration:

09/11/24 – Joyce Ruygrok

09/18/24 – Chuck Johnson

09/25/24 – Martha Burns

10/02/24 – Chris Ecker

Song Leader:

09/11/24 – Christie Crahan

09/18/24 – Brian Hummel

09/25/24 – Christie Crahan

10/02/24 – Brian Hummel



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:

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

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

09/18/24 – Tom Petersmeyer-Craft Talk

09/25/24 – Installation of 2024-2025 Officers & Board, Lt. Gov. Monica Sierra & Trish McRae

10/02/24 –

Hospitality: Courtesy of Barbie Eland & Cindy Bradford

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

THIS PAST WEEK...

Members in Attendance: 11 members in person and 2 members on Zoom & 7 guests in person and 0 guests on Zoom & 3 K-9 dogs.

Guests: Spouse **Donna Wray**, Lynne's daughter **Laurie Weller**, Carol Sheck's caretaker & the 4 Glendale K9 Police officers-Sergeant **Shawn Sholtis**, Officer **Paul Shubunka**, Officer **Austin Stapp** & Officer **Matthew Stafford** (no not UCS's quarterback) and 3 amazing K9 dogs- **Dante, Storm & Bronco**.

Welcome Back: **John Wray and his wife Donna**. What a treat to see them both today. Come back again-don't wait so long.

Birthdays: None

Anniversaries: None

Ribbon Cuttings: None



President's Message:

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & ZOOMED on Sept 11, at 7:30am PST..

Come chat at 7am. Zoom meeting ID is 81544355138 and passcode is 505812

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMZz09>

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: Board meeting will be Monday September 9 at 7:30 am. We will be voting on the budget, presenting the slate of officers, and making other decisions. We need programs in the coming months. Put your thinking caps on.

Next week our program is: LCF Orthopedic Guild – Joan Cleven & Deedee Nuances

Kiwanis Announcements: Rosemary Hook announced that LCF friend Joanne Berg passed away Aug. 28.

H.A.M.S.: N/A today

Other Announcements: Chris Erskine will be speaking at LCF City Hall on Wed., 9/11 at 5pm talking about "Living with Bears." Please let **Martha or Cindy** 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.



Program/Speaker: Glendale Police K-9 Unit

Four Glendale K9 Policemen-Sergeant **Shawn Sholtis**, Officer **Paul Shubunka**, Officer **Austin Stapp** & Officer **Matthew Stafford** and 3 amazing K9 dogs- **Dante, Storm & Bronco**. Shawn has been the supervisor for 9

The Glendale Police Foundation is a volunteer-based organization in Glendale which lists among its activities, the full support and sponsorship of the police K-9 program. Today we were thrilled to have 3 of their trained (or in-training) dogs with us, along with their handlers. The average dog will be in service for 5-6 years and then needs to be retired & replaced. Handlers have the first right to purchase them upon retirement. They feel the dogs deserve a happy retirement time too. Each dog will cost \$50,000 in training and supplies over the service lifetime of the dog.

They explained many of the police dogs come from places like Holland, Slovakia, Germany etc. because they have the best genetic makeup and temperament. Breeding standards are also very strict there. All of these dogs live at home with their handler, often with the family's other pet dog. They are very careful with the dog around the family. Most dogs will "work" as long as they are healthy and able. Most are also chomping at the bit to work, which the dog considers playtime. One female dog they had, worked 11 years, but this is unusual. Another springer spaniel worked 12 years.

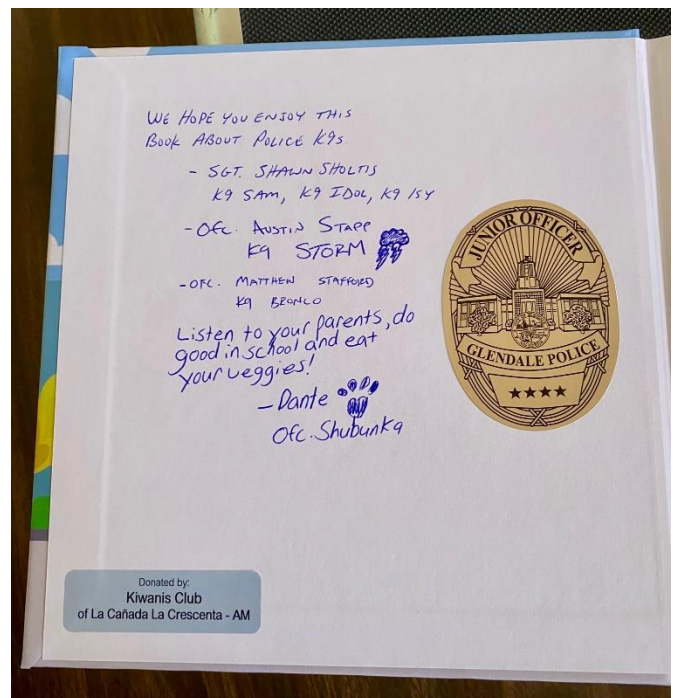
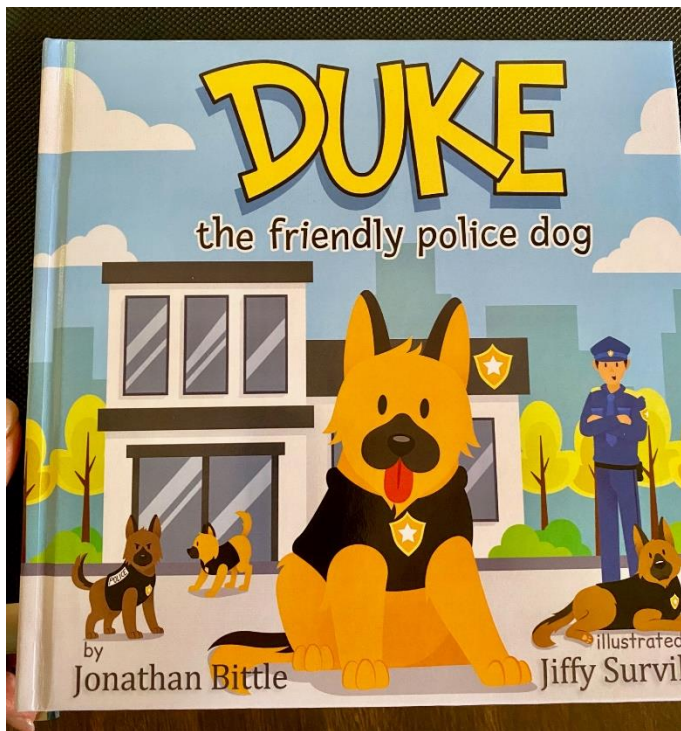
Today the officers showed how anxious and excited their dogs like to "work." They hid things with human scent on them for the dogs to locate. Tho they don't retrieve items

often, as some items are dangerous, like drugs, and should not be ingested by the dog. The dog will just locate the item by sniffing the scent and show the handler where it is located.

The officers demonstrated how well trained the dogs are with commands, oftentimes not in English, but by in the language of the country they were born. The dog will start running to retrieve an object and the officer will command them to stop halfway there, or come back to him or to go all the way to the object within inches. But once the handler gives the command to retrieve it, the dog will respond and bring it back to him, providing it is safe to do. Dogs are often inside the squad car when officers are investigating something, but cars are equipped with temperature sensors, which would alert the handler and automatically roll down the rear windows if the air conditioning failed.

The Glendale Police Department K-9 Unit is funded solely through donations from the public. All costs of the program including training, equipment, food, and veterinary care are paid for through the generosity of the citizens and local business owners of our community. The Glendale Police Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization which has been helping support the Glendale Police Department K-9 Unit since its inception in 2005. All donations made to the K-9 Unit are tax-deductible.

As you know we always have our program speaker sign a book for one of the elementary school libraries in town. Cindy bought this cute book "Duke, the Friendly Police Dog" & thought it would be appropriate. It sure was, and the officers signed it and Martha brought it to the LCE librarian today, who was thrilled. What a learning experience for us and such a memorable program. It is nice the dogs are so loved and cared for. Attached is the info about their annual fundraiser in Nov. Maybe a group of us Kiwanians will attend?







Estimated Cost of the K-9 Unit	
<i>Purchase of a Police Service Dog (untrained)</i>	<i>\$11,250.00</i>
<i>Basic K9 Patrol Training</i>	<i>\$5,500.00</i>
<i>Narcotic / Explosive Detection Training</i>	<i>\$5,500.00/\$7,500.00</i>
<i>Maintenance Training (per dog/per year)</i>	<i>\$4,500.00</i>
<i>Equipment / Supplies (per dog/per year)</i>	<i>\$2,500.00</i>
<i>Vet / Healthcare Services (per dog/per year)</i>	<i>\$1,500.00</i>
<i>The security of a K9 search team finding that hidden suspect in your backyard</i>	<i>Priceless!</i>

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