
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

October 23, 2024



2024-2025 Officers

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Fiscal Year Oct 1-Sep 30

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Wednesdays at 7:30 am
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1700 Foothill Boulevard
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Forest Lawn Albert Kim-Planning Advisor



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

10/30/24 – Marie Hyland

11/06/24 – Insook Park

11/13/24 – Dick Barley

11/20/24 – Chuck Johnson

Inspiration:

10/30/24 – Carol Scheck

11/06/24 – John Ryan

11/13/24 – Martha Burns

11/20/24 – Susan Johnson

Song Leader:

10/30/24 – Brian Hummel

11/06/24 – Christie Crahan

11/13/24 – Brian Hummel

11/20/24 – 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:

10/30/24 – Halloween Costume Contest-Juliet Lowe Presentation

11/06/24 – Youth Protection Training – Pat Liddell

11/13/24 – Surviving 911 – Kevin Danni

11/20/24 – Journey House – Jesse Aguilar

Hospitality: None

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 3 members on Zoom & 2 guests in person and 0 guests on Zoom.

Guests: Our speaker, **Albert Kim; Rose Velasquez**, whose daughter knows Cindy.

Welcome Back: **Chris Ecker & Cindy Bradford**-both gone for 2 weeks.

Birthdays: None.

Anniversaries: **Chuck & Harriet Hughes, Oct. 27** and 51 years of wedded bliss!

Ribbon Cuttings: None

President's Message:

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & ZOOMED on Oct. 30, 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: **Lynne Thompson** said she is happy to host our annual Holiday Party at her house this year on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 5:30 pm. We said lots of members can help out too with setup and clean up. Also the LCF Rose Float will need helpers to serve lunches to the volunteers at the site after Christmas. Thanks to **Cindy Bradford** for keeping our Facebook page filled with photos and articles and to **Martha Burns** for the weekly newsletter. We need programs, so put on your thinking caps. Reminder when you leave the meeting, put chairs under the table, any trash in the waste can, turn in your name tag.

Next week our program is: Halloween Costume Contest / Juliette Low presentation – Christie Crahan

Kiwanis Announcements: **Barbie Eland** showed us the new Turkey Badge we will give to new members to complete their requirements of membership. **Joy Gibson** told us to think ahead about what Saturday after Thanksgiving you would like to sign up for the 2-hour shift of bell-ringing for the Salvation Army at Ralphs-anytime from 10am,noon, 2pm & 4pm. He will bring a sign-up sheet next week. It's always fun to invite another member of friend along for your shifts. **Martha Burns** said because we gave the large donation to LCF Community Center, our Kiwanis name will be on all the T-shirt for the Thanksgiving Day "Run for the Hungry." We also are allowed 8 FREE entries in the race. We are thinking of asking key clubbers or perhaps members' children or grandchildren might want to enter. **Brian Hummel** spoke about the Key Clubs and Builder's Clubs. He will work with Elaine Harada on this. **Christie Crahan** is hoping to revive the "Terrific Kids" program for Builder's Clubs. Since Norie resigned due to other obligations at our meeting time, we need help with food deliveries on the 2nd Tuesday of the month-pickup at both Ralphs stores and deliver to The Bailey Center. Check with Cindy if you can help. She will give you all the information you need.



H.A.M.S.: Only had time for 1 person-**Rosemary Hook** who gave a sappy buck as USC almost won, but lost in the last 3 seconds, but UCLA finally got a win. She also gave a happy buck for the Dodgers and the World Series-go blue. The last few weeks at our meetings we have sung "Take me Out to the Ball Game." We continued again today.

Other Announcements: "HOWL AT THE MOON" LAST CALL (see flyer attached) - The deadline to sign up to go to the "Howl at the Moon" comedy night/dinner on November 9th, 6pm is next week. This benefits the Glendale Police Dept. K9 Team. Should be a fun night with a K9 demonstration as well as show. Sign up at the meeting or let Cindy know by October 30th. As an event sponsor, our club donation will cover the individual ticket cost for current club members only! Spouses or friends are welcome to join us by signing up and turning in their tax-deductible \$150 event payment by 10/30 (talk to Cindy for those details). **Chuck Hughes** announced "Wine & Roses", Sat, Nov. 2, 4-7pm at Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy sponsored by the LCF Tournament of Roses. 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.

Health News: Contact **Dani Hydar** if you know of someone who needs a card or cheering up. **Tom Petersmeyer** is in a nursing home (Montecito Heights Healthcare & Wellness Center) in Highland Park until Nov. 9. If anybody wants to visit they are welcome, or of course a phone call would be just as good. **Joyce Ruygrok** is in the hospital recouping from Covid an hopefully will be coming home tomorrow. We hope to see them both back on Zoom soon.



Program/Speaker: Forest Lawn-Albert Kim

Martha Burns discovered our speaker when she got one of those flyers in the mail with an invitation for a free lunch at Joselito's, if you watch his short slide show presentation. She and Tom were surprisingly impressed, and ended up a few weeks later actually contacting him and purchasing a niche (for ashes for up to 4 people) at "The Woodlands," Hollywood Hills, Forest Lawn. **Christie Crahan** said that is where Sean is buried and that "we will be neighbors!" They are both very happy with taking that first step in pre-planning their final wishes and peace of mind for their families.

Mr. Kim immigrated to the US from Korea in 1978 and graduated from UCLA. He also has a license as a Cemetery Salesperson & Life Insurance agent in CA. He has been a "Planning Advisor" with Forest Lawn (all cemeteries) since 2012. He enjoys golfing and hiking. He showed us a slide show, which started out with a short history of Forest Lawn. The first one, and most well-known for its statues, artwork, museum, and celebrities buried there, was built in Glendale in 1906; then Hollywood Hills followed; and now they have four other locations, including Palm Desert. He explained the importance of not waiting to make these crucial decisions. Being coherent and not placing this emotional & financial burden on your surviving family members can give you peace of mind, as well as them too.

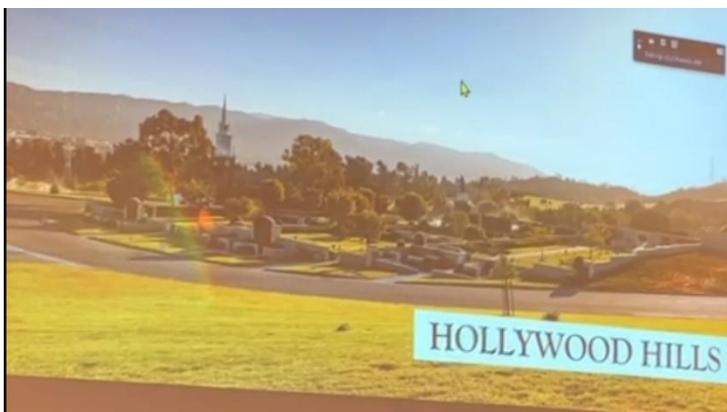
He told a short story about his own experience when his father passed away, and he and his siblings wanted to go the least expensive route, and his mother wanted to spend a lot on everything. He even said if his Dad were there, he would also pick the less costly method. But they agreed to honor their mother's wishes, despite the expense.

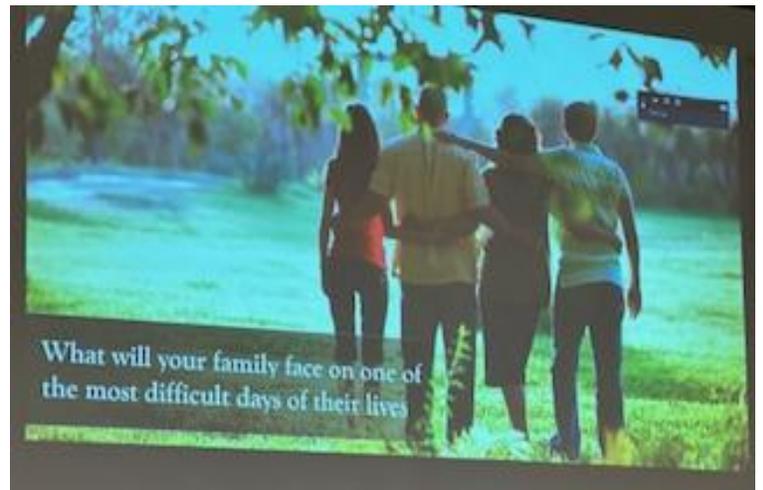
That is one of the reasons why he is so involved with "Pre-planning," so your loved ones don't have to make those difficult decisions, and they will also know and honor your wishes. Prices continue to go up (double about every 10 years) for real estate and everything else, and by making choices now, it will be a lot less expensive. Plus, there is a certain peace of mind when you make that decision. One can even transfer to another cemetery if they move or change their location.

Even though it is not exactly a topic people want to discuss, we shouldn't just put it on the back burner, so to speak, or let our relatives deal with it after we are gone. It's emotional and costly. By doing this pre-planning, when you pass away, your family can grieve together and not be involved in all the decision-making that can be divisive and expensive. They have people who can help you in any language too.

Thank you Mr. Kim for giving us such valuable information to help us pre-plan & not wait. If you wish to contact him, his email is akim@forestlawn.com or phone is 323-496-6149.

Attached is a flyer for "Peace of Mind Seminar" at Joselito's (upstairs) Wed. Nov. 13 & 20 at noon. No cost to attend, and lunch is free and you will see the slide show.





Who will put it in the paper?

Find a minister.

What kind of music should we have?

How will I call the coroner?

Does she want a burial or cremation?

Call his boss.

Notify out of town family and friends.

Who's paying for all of this?

Book the church.

What will your family face on one of the most difficult days of their lives?

Give your loved ones the gift of Preplanning

My Final Wishes Organizer

Vital Statistics
Already on file saves the family from having to compile and deliver them to the FBI within 24 hours for the death certificate.

Special Instructions
Allows us to assist your family with the many details you want in personalizing your final arrangements.

Military Record
Information allows us to serve your family by submitting the paperwork necessary for your loved one's funeral benefits.

Emergency Contacts
WFO give your family all the names and phone numbers they will need immediately during a time of emergency.

Funeral Service Requests
On file permits us to relieve loved ones from having to fabricate a complete set of instructions.

Common Reasons

Why people preplan their funerals

- No guesswork, final wishes are respected
- Decisions that would further burden a family later are addressed now
- Peace of mind for you and your family
- Addresses funeral costs
- Prepares additional steps during a time of grief

Five Key Points to a Funeral Policy

- Guarantees the Majority of Funeral Costs
- Funds Protected by Insurance Provider
- Transferable
- Measurable Payments
- Protection During & After Payment

Out of Area Protection

Travel with confidence

- Lifetime Membership
- Wallet Membership Card
- Worldwide Coverage
- No Age Limits, Health Questions or Deductibles



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