

**KIWANIS CLUB
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**Wednesdays at 7:30 am
LCIF Parish Hall or Zoom
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NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

**12/11/24 – Tom Petersmeyer
12/18/24 – N/A
12/25/24 – DARK – Merry Christmas
01/01/25 – DARK – Happy New Year**

Inspiration:

**12/11/24 – Joy Gibson
12/18/24 – Marie Hyland(Luke:2-20)@ Hill Street
12/25/24 – DARK – Merry Christmas
01/01/25 – DARK – Happy New Year**

Song Leader:

**12/11/24 – Christie Crahan
12/18/24 – Brian Hummel
12/25/24 – DARK – Merry Christmas
01/01/25 – DARK – Happy New Year**



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:

12/07/24 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Ralphs, 10am-6pm

12/08/24 - Holiday Party, 5pm, Lynne Thompson's Home

12/11/24 - LCE 5th/6th Grade Choir - Barb Drange & Visit to LCF Float Site

12/14/24 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Ralphs, 10am-6pm

12/16/24 - Monthly DCM Meeting, Monday at 5pm at Elks Club.

12/18/24 - Holiday Caroling! NO MEETING AT CHURCH, will meet at Hill Street Café at 8am for anyone who wants to enjoy a breakfast with members, & then caroling at The Oaks in Pasadena, where member Joyce Ruygrok lives.

12/21/24 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Ralphs, 10am-6pm

12/25/24 - DARK - Merry Christmas

01/01/25 - DARK - Happy New Year

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 1 member on Zoom & 6 guests in person as well as the ALFie singers and 0 guests on Zoom.

Guests: Spouse **Evie Barley**, Lt. Gov. **Trish McRae**, Choral Conductor **Nancy Abbott** and the **ALFie Singers**, new member to be, **Rose Valesquez**, prospective members **Jim Canfield & Pete Hultine**

Welcome Back: None

Birthdays: **Chris Ecker, Dec. 10.** He couldn't do his usual birthday handstand walk down the aisle, as his shoulder is out of whack. He is getting old at 59!

Anniversaries: **Barbie & Dennis Eland, Dec. 6 (49 blissful years)**

Ribbon Cuttings: None

President's Message:

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & ZOOMED on Dec. 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: The **Kiwanis International President's Visit & Rose Float Luncheon will be Sat. Dec. 28, 11:30am-2pm at the Salvation Army, 960 E. Walnut, Pasadena.** Cost is \$50. Remember **Sunday, Dec. 8 at 5pm for our annual Holiday Party at Lynne Thompson's** house-spouses & guests are welcome. Members should bring a hearty appetizer. We are going to have a surprise entertainer, who is going to sing Neil Diamond Christmas songs! Also we are collecting nice used jackets for the needy. Please bring with you to the party. Thanks in advance to Lynne for opening up her lovely home and generously taking care of all the drink expenses-wine, soda, & yummy egg nog. Our meeting **Wed. Dec 18, 7:30am** is NOT at the church parish hall! We will meet at **Hill St. Cafe at 8am** for breakfast (we each pay for our own meal), followed by caroling at member **Joyce Ruygrok's place (2956 E. Del Mar Blvd, Pasadena).** **Please dress in holiday fashion.** We can carpool over there. Put on your thinking caps as we need programs. 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: LCE 5th/6th Grade Chorus, with Director Barb Drange (the Hingst's daughter) We will follow the performance and go visit the LCF Rose Float site after the meeting.

Kiwanis Announcements: Joy Gibson announced we have the first two Saturdays filled for Glendale Salvation Army Bell Ringing at our local Ralphs. It's always fun to invite another member or friend along for your shifts. He still has some open slots: Dec 14, 4-6pm; Dec 21, noon-2pm and 2pm-4pm. Call him at **626-394-6845** if you have time to ring the bell. Bring a friend, spouse, grandchild to join you. It's fun to people-watch too, and every so often a friend or neighbor shows up. **Dec. 14-15 is the Community Center of LCF's annual Holiday Ceramic Sale** from 10am-4pm, 4469 Chevy Chase Dr.



H.A.M.S.: Martha Burns gave a very happy \$5 as she was invited by her daughter to attend the live finale last Tuesday of the TV show "Dancing with the Stars." It was spectacular with so much activity. While the TV audience sees film clips of the couples before they perform the audience sees all the behind-the-scenes actions of setting up props, cleaning confetti from the dance floor, makeup artists assisting the judges and dancers, the couples practicing their routines, cameraman finding their spots, and even an emcee who selects people in the crowd to interview. Martha was one of them and of course mentioned she was from La Canada and predicted the eventual winner, Joey! She received a T-shirt as well. She also hosted Thanksgiving lunch for 31 family members at her house-ages from 2 months to 80 years. **Marie Hyland** gave \$10 as she was thrilled when 2 of her daughters & 2 of her granddaughters decorated her entire house with all her Christmas decorations. And they promise to come back and put it all away after the holidays. She feels very lucky. She raised her kids right!! **Joy Gibson** had great Thanksgiving and attended a wedding in Vegas. He told a \$1 cute joke about a dog and his master as part of an audience in a theater watching a movie. When asked if his dog liked the movie, his answer was "Yes, but he hated the book!" LOL. **Chris Ecker** gave a generous \$59 to our coffers as he is celebrating 59 years of birthdays. Chris, you are still a "youngster" in our eyes. **Christie Crahan** started out with \$5 happy bucks as she spent Thanksgiving with her son up in Santa Cruz, however he is moving soon to Morro Bay. They went mushroom hunting in the Redwood Forest. Then they made mushroom lasagna. Yum, yum. She added another \$25 happy bucks as she feels very lucky. She went to her eye doctor for her macular degeneration and years ago one would have gone blind eventually. But in today's world there are 4 different meds that allow her vision to remain stable and not worsen. **Rosemary Hook** gave an informative \$1 as her doc gave her this special pill to swallow that had a mini camera inside and will take photos of her intestine. Hmmm... we didn't hear how the doc receives all this info.



Other Announcements: "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.



Program/Speaker: The ALFie Singers, Nancy Abbott Director

The Assistance League of Flintridge (ALF) has a choral group made up of members from the organization, including our Kiwanis club president Christie. They came dressed in their festive Christmas sweaters and sang a variety of holiday songs, which involved a lot of fun activity on their part. What an enjoyable way to start our day & it serves as a dress rehearsal for their organization's meeting later this morning. This has been such a wonderful tradition to have them perform before the holiday break. Thank you so much Nancy and singers.

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