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# **KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM**

**October 1, 2025**

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## **2025-2026 Officers**

### **President**

Christie Crahan

### **President-Elect**

### **Vice-President**

### **Treasurer**

Martha Burns

### **Secretary**

Rosemary Hook (assistant)

### **Immediate Past President**

Chris Ecker

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**Fiscal Year Oct 1-Sep 30**

**PO Box 1255**

**La Cañada, CA 91012**

**Wednesdays at 7:30 am  
LCIF Parish Hall or Zoom  
1700 Foothill Boulevard  
La Cañada, CA 91011**

## **Club Installation of Officers & Directors Lt. Gov. Mauricio Lopez**



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## **NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...**

### **ZOOM or IN-PERSON**

### **Pledge/Flag Salutes:**

**10/08/25 – Rosemary Hook**

**10/15/25 – Brian Hummel**

**10/22/25 – Barbie Eland**

**10/29/25 – Marie Hyland**

### **Inspiration:**

**10/08/25 – Carol Scheck**

**10/15/25 – Christie Crahan**

**10/22/25 – Brian Hummel**

**10/29/25 – Chuck Hughes**

### **Song Leader:**

**10/08/25 – Brian Hummel**

**10/15/25 – Brian Hummel**

**10/22/25 – Brian Hummel**

**10/29/25 – Brian Hummel**



**ZOOM PROBLEMS:** If you get booted out **JUST** go to

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMZZ09>  
and log back on.

**Calendar of Events:**

**Club Board Meeting**-7:30 am, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month (except on holidays then 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday) at small room near Parish Hall

**Division 3 (DCM) Board Meeting**-5:30 pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, at Parish Center with advisors Patrice Fontes & Therese Louk.

**Rosemont Builders Club**-12:30 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in Multi-purpose Rm with Jessica Cole.

**St. Francis HS Key Club**-11:45 am, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 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 Lilit Vartanian and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

**Programs/Speakers:**

**10/08/25** – Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Martha Burns' home.

**10/08/25** – LCF Orthopedic Guild-Joan Clevon

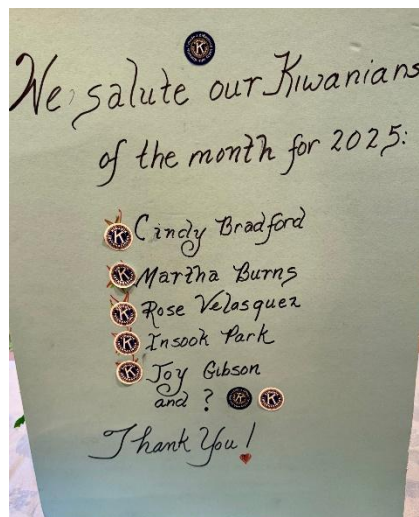
**10/15/25** –

**10/22/25** –

**10/29/25** –

**Hospitality:** Cindy Bradford & Barbie Eland-thanks for taking care of the coffee, tea, & pastries.

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



### ***THIS PAST WEEK...***

***Members in Attendance:*** 16 members in person and 3 guests, and 2 members on Zoom & 0 guests.

***Guests:*** Lt. Gov. Mauricio Lopez, Linda Rowland and Susan Heinz

***Welcome Back:*** Insook Park, Christie Crahan, Cindy Bradford, Pete Hultine, and Susan & Chuck Johnson, in person!

***Birthdays:*** Elaine Harada, October 6.

***Anniversaries:*** None

***Ribbon Cuttings:*** None

**NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & zoomed on October 8 at 7:30 am.**

**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](http://www.lcfkiwanisam.org)  
Remember speakers can join us on Zoom, so anyone far or near might be good candidates.

### ***President's Announcements:***

- **Christie's** friend, Chef **Maureen Craig**, was the caterer for our breakfast this morning and it was absolutely fabulous and so delicious. 3 types of quiches, potatoes, yummy fruit salad, banana bread etc., as well as coffee and orange juice. We gave her a round of applause. And thank you Christie for providing all the table centerpieces, tablecloths, utensils, plates etc. It was a perfect morning.
- Celebration of Life for former 21-year Kiwanis member **Clovis Buchanan** will be Wed. **Oct. 8 at 1pm at Descanso Gardens**, meeting Room A. RSVP by text or call to her neighbor Ann 818-269-9764. Chris remembers Clovis went skydiving in her 80's.
- **Christie** attended the installation luncheon for the new Lt.Gov. of our Division 3, who will be the installer today. The noon club is having an art sale & boutique at the Thursday Club on Oct. 10.
- **Christie** is looking into another project for our members to participate in-"Seniors for Seniors Adoption." We would possibly visit seniors who don't have families or even friends nearby. We decided on "12 Oaks" to visit.
- **Christie** contacted the Aaron Foundation, which supports families who have lost a child through SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) Both parents of Aaron are pediatricians who lost 2 children to SIDS and raise money for research and support people who can't afford a funeral for their lost child. For years now, our club has about \$250 of restricted funds to help with KI "Pediatric Trauma Prevention." So we will send the money to that organization.
- Once a quarter, our monthly board meetings will be an evening potluck at a board member's home.
- We need officers for Programs and Interclubs & a director for Community Service.





**Next week our program is: LCF Orthopedic Guild-Joan Clevon**

#### ***Kiwanis Announcements:***

- **Barbie Eland**, our membership chair will be giving pins and "turkey" badges to our newest members: **Salli Dokko, Peter Hultine & Evie Barley**. We sang our "You're in Kiwanis Now" song.
- **Martha Burns** mentioned we got about \$85 from the Ralphs Rewards program this past quarter. This is such an easy fundraiser for our Foundation.
- **Christie Crahan** would like to revive the Kiwanis "Terrific Kids" program.
- SOS! We need ALL members to help get weekly program speakers. Everyone probably has friends or family who might have a "story" or "experience" to share with us. Put on your thinking cap and let Cindy or Martha know. We are grateful for anyone who wishes to share their knowledge with us.

#### ***Other Announcements:***

- **Martha Burns** suggested that we might like to have another outing to the San Antonio Winery, which has a great free tour, a cafeteria type lunch and a huge gift shop. It has a wonderful story of the founders over 100+ years ago and still family owned. She recommended any Friday around 10:30 am, as she really likes this special guide Bruce who is there then and on weekends & tour would start at 11am. But Sat. & Sun are very crowded. Does anyone one want to recommend a date?
- 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](http://lcfkiwanisam.org) to see what is going on.

***Health News:*** Contact **Insook Park** if you know of someone who needs a card or cheering up.

#### ***H.A.M.S.:***

- **Brian Hummel** gave a very happy \$5 as his alma mater Illinois beat USC in football. He said he will be out of town Oct 18, so he wondered if someone could do his food run that day????
- **Marie Hyland** pledged \$10 as her granddaughter is going to take her to Disneyland! She hopes to get there early so she can enjoy a full day. And then Martha Burns invited her to see the "Nutcracker" at the Alex Theater, a performance that Marie has never seen before.
- **Joy Gibson** told a story about his wife and buying 10 dresses.
- **Martha Burns** gave a \$5 for our wonderful LCF School Superintendent, as she was awarded "Superintendent of the Year" for LA County, which includes over 80 districts. Martha happened to be sitting on a bench in Pasadena and Wendy's picture

on the entire front page of the "Pasadena Weekly" paper. Wendy Sinnette was instrumental in helping the 28 teachers in our district, who lost homes in the Eaton fire and helping families there who had no school to attend and were welcomed into our school district providing space was available.

- **Insook Park** gave \$50 for her 20 days in Korea. She left her home country when she was 18. She joined a tour to see the area and was amazed how many small islands are there. She was able to meet up with 12 of her high school friends. Sounds like a great trip.
- **Christie Crahan** first gave \$50 because she was able to present Cindy Bradford with her special award. She then gave \$25 for her fabulous trip to France. She road vintage motorcycles, visited vineyards, but her highlight was visiting the restored Notre Dame Cathedral and lighting a candle for Sean. The church still is working on the roof.
- **Evie Barley** gave \$5, as she is leaving for Dallas to see a great-granddaughter graduate from school.





**Kiwanian of the Year for our Club:** Christie decided to give a special award this year she is calling **"Kiwanian of the Year 2024-25."** She presented **Cindy Bradford** with the honor and was given a framed certificate. We all toasted Cindy with a little champagne in our orange juice and then sang "She's a Jolly Kiwanian!" Congrats Cindy-well deserved. Christie also mentioned the **"Kiwanian of the Month"** – **Cindy-March, Martha-April, Rose-May, Insook-July, Joy-August.**

**Recap of our Year: President Christie Crahan**

2024-25 has been a dynamic year. Food Distribution 365 days a year! If the average time is 2 hours to do a "Food Run", that's 730 volunteer hours this past year alone. We have donated nearly \$35,000 to a variety of non-profit organizations in the area. Our club made hundreds of snack packs, bought 100 turkeys for Bailey Center for Thanksgiving, distributed 14 scholarships at a magnificent dinner celebration with the students and their parents, as well as decorating & recognizing our scholars on Jim's truck for the Fiesta Days Parade. We served over 400 guests at our community French Toast breakfast, sand for assisted living homes and the bell for the Salvation Army at Christmas time outside of Ralphs. We donated about \$25K to philanthropic organizations and shopped every other month to feed the homeless who come to the Bailey Center. We are amazing and have a lot to be proud of. Our members are so dedicated to service and we also said goodbye to some amazing people who left a deep mark on this club and will be remembered for a very long time-Dick Barley and Clovis Buchanan. **Brian Hummel** sang "Edelweiss" accompanied by **Marie Hyland** on the piano. What a year we had!

**Gift to Christie:** **Martha Burns** presented a thank you card (signed by members) to Christie and thanked her on all our behalf for the amazing job she did as president. Really encouraged us to become involved and participate in so many things. She also went way beyond and started some new traditions and encouraged us to recruit new members. The Club gave her a Starbucks gift card and a Kiwanis pen & pencil set and the Kiwanis President pin. We are so happy she agreed to stay on another year. A million thanks Christie for leading the troops. We look forward to another successful year.





***Program/Speaker:* Club Installation of Officers & Directors-Lt. Gov. Mauricio Lopez**

Before the new members get installed, we say goodbye to the past officers and directors. Christie did the honors and gave flowering plants to all with a huge thank you. She felt everyone did a great job, with joy and enthusiasm.

Then Lt. Gov. Mauricio Lopez took over the honors of installing the new officers & directors-most of who are returning. He shared a little about each job. We welcomed back Rosemary who will join us on the phone.



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Brian singing Edelweiss accompanied by Marie on the piano.