
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

October 8, 2025



2025-2026 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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LCF Orthopaedic Guild Mary Beth Perrine & Joan Cleven



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

10/15/25 – Brian Hummel

10/22/25 – Barbie Eland

10/29/25 – Marie Hyland

11/05/25 – Susan Johnson

Inspiration:

10/15/25 – Christie Crahan

10/22/25 – Brian Hummel

10/29/25 – Chuck Hughes

11/05/25 – Chuck Johnson

Song Leader:

10/15/25 – Brian Hummel

10/22/25 – Brian Hummel

10/29/25 – Brian Hummel

11/05/25 – 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, 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, 3rd Thursday, at Parish Center with advisors Patrice Fontes & Therese Louk.

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 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:

10/15/25 – Fire House Youth Center-Mary O’Keefe & Guy Leemhuis

10/20/25 – Monthly Div. 3 Meeting at 5:30pm, Elks Club.

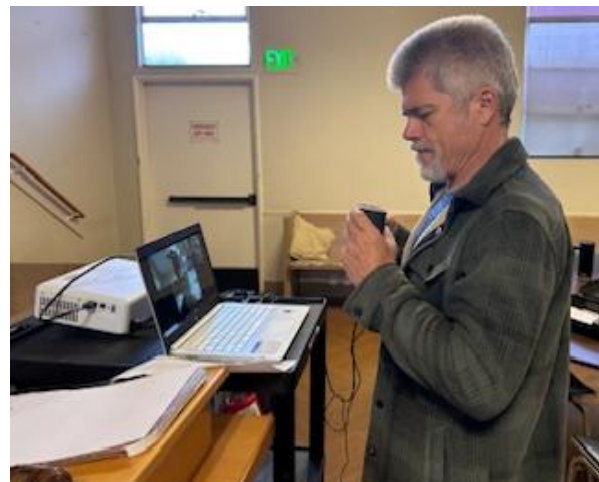
10/22/25 –

10/29/25 – Once Upon a Room-Jenny Hull & come dressed for Halloween

11/05/25 – Veterans Check Presentation

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: 10 members in person and 3 guests, and 3 members on Zoom & 0 guests.

Guests: Linda Rowland & our speakers Joan Cleven & Mary Beth Perrine

Welcome Back: Lynne Thompson

Birthdays: None

Anniversaries: None

Ribbon Cuttings: None

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & zoomed on October 15 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
Remember speakers can join us on Zoom, so anyone far or near might be good candidates.

President's Announcements:

- Celebration of Life for former 21-year Kiwanis member **Clovis Buchanan** will be **TODAY 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.
- Our board had their quarterly evening meeting last Monday at Martha's home & decided we would do Christmas caroling at Joyce Ruygrok's senior facility in December, like we did last year.
- Christie presented certificates to two of our newest members today- **Salli Dokko** and **Evie Barley**.
- Our board also made the decision to give the balance of the veterans restricted funds in Foundation (\$5200) to **American Legion Post 288** in La Crescenta. **Chuck**

Hughes came to our meeting to request this money for repairing the leaky roof of the veteran's building. It will be presented at our Nov. 5 meeting.

- **Barbie Eland & Martha Burns** will attend the next DCM meeting at the Elks Club at 5:30 pm, Monday Nov. 17 in place of Christie who will be traveling.
- Our "sister" club, **LCF noon Kiwanis**, is having a great fundraiser this Sunday at the Thursday Club, which is an art auction and a boutique.
- **Christie** thanked us for the beautiful Kiwanis pin, pen and pencil & Starbucks card-our outgoing president's gift. She also said we are participating in the "turkey project" for Bailey Center, but it is strictly optional for members to donate if they wish.
- **Christie and Cindy Bradford** will be attending the Leadership Training this Sat.
- **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, but found out they are temporarily closed while they upgrade the facilities.
- We sent a \$250 check to the **Aeron Foundation for SIDS**, which was recommended by Christie's friend Dr. Thomas
- 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: Fire House Youth Center-Mary O'Keefe & Guy Leemhuis

Kiwanis Announcements:

- **Lynne Thompson** has graciously donated her home for our annual Christmas party; 5:30 pm Sunday Dec 7.
- **Joy Gibson** will be bringing a sign-up sheet next week for our weekend (Friday & Sat.) Salvation Army bell ringing starting after Thanksgiving. We encourage ALL our members to participate if possible for a 2 hour shift. Some of us will need to have 2 shifts.
- **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 Almost There" song to Salli and Evie.
- **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 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.:

- **Christie Crahan** gave \$10 because she will be going to Cyprus to be part of a large Girl Scout function which involves meeting the Princess and President, with a gala at the palace.
- **Martha Burns** gave \$5 as she & Tom go to Vegas this weekend and will see Barry Manilow show, "The Wizard of Oz" movie at the new Sphere theater which has supposedly amazing affects, then seeing her "Texas Tenors" at the South Point Casino.
- **Joy Gibson** share a special poem to God. \$1
- **Chris Ecker** was very generous and donated \$40 on the occasion of his 40th LCHS reunion coming up. For years he kept this 9' "Beer Pyramid" in a storage place on his parent's property, however awhile back the wind destroyed the shed and about 1/3 of the beer cans making up the pyramid were damaged. A friend saved the day as she stored cans for years for no real reason. So Chris was able to repair the Beer Pyramid and show at their class reunion. It was the class of '85 senior prank.
- **Marie Hyland** gave \$10 as she was able to attend her granddaughter's marriage ceremony at Lake Arrowhead. She also talked about her close friend Mary Lou (the sister she never had) who passed away recently. Their last conversation was about past fun events they attended together, but her friend didn't remember any of them, but enjoyed Marie telling her.
- **Evie Barley** gave \$5 as she went to Dallas to attend her great-granddaughter's baptism. There were lots of shade tress and she walked 2 ½ miles at the wonderful zoo there.
- Guest **Linda Rowland** generously gave \$20 for her daughter and 3 granddaughters at Beaver Creek.



***Program/Speaker:* LCF Orthopaedic Guild-Joan Clevon & Mary Beth Perrine**

The La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Guild is a volunteer organization, founded in 1957, that raises funds and provides support for the Orthopaedic Institute for Children (OIC) in Los Angeles. Mary Ann Hillgren (wife of our city mayor long ago) was the first member of the group. Kiwanis member Jack Labrie's wife Linda was a long time member of the guild.

The OIC provides top orthopaedic medical care to any child with musculoskeletal disorders regardless of ability to pay. They will never turn any child away. Every year Santa arrives in a helicopter and gives out toys all day long. The institute sees about 50,000 patients a year. They hope to open a MRI Center and cost to build is \$2.5million. To date they have raised \$948K. LCF Guild's most recent gift was \$25K.

Members of the La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Guild (LCFOG) have been donating thousands of hours of volunteer "women"-power through its 68 years of service to the Orthopaedic Institute for Children (OIC) in downtown LA. The Guild also raises funds for the OIC. LCFOG's biggest fundraiser is its annual Book and Author Luncheon. This year's luncheon will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28.10:30am at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club; \$75.

Mary Beth is VP of the La Canada branch and became a member in 2000. She actually started going when she was 9 years old, as her mother was one of the founders in 1957. What an amazing organization and right up our alley as our Kiwanis mission is to "serve children of the world." Thank you Joan and Mary Beth for all the "goodies" you brought for our members.. It was so informative and we were happy to give you a \$300 donation.