Kiwanis
LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

November 4, 2026

Pledge/Flag Salute:
11/11/26 – n/a
11/18/26 – Lynne Thompson
11/25/26 – DARK
12/02/26 – Tom Petersmeyer
12/09/26 – Susan Johnson
12/16/26 – Insook Park
12/23/26 – DARK
12/30/26 – DARK

Inspiration:
11/11/26 – n/a
11/18/26 – Rosemary Hook
11/25/26 – DARK
12/02/26 – Christie Crahan
12/09/26 – Chuck Johnson
12/16/26 – Brian Hummel
12/23/26 – DARK
12/30/26 – DARK

Song Leader: Christie Crahan
Pianist: Marie Hyland

Programs/Guest Speakers:
11/11/26 – Veterans Day Ceremony @ Two Strike Park

11/18/26 – Lt. Governor: Miryam Finkelberg

11/25/26 – DARK

12/02/26 – Service Project: Snack Packs for Ascencia

12/09/26 – ?
12/16/26 - ?
12/23/26 – DARK
12/30/26 - DARK

An **Interclub** is a visit by another club to build fellowship, share ideas and support. Depending on the size of the club, a certain number of members must attend to officially earn the Interclub. The **Verdugos Kiwanis Club** almost had enough members (3 of 4) to earn the official visit, but we enjoyed having them AND look forward to them coming again! *We enjoyed seeing Lou & Miryam Finkelberg, and Liz Gallagher.*



Guest Speaker:
LCF Community Center - Michael Powers / Executive Director
Unfortunately, he woke up this morning with the flu and could not visit us today. We all know how quickly that can happen and do appreciate his decision NOT to share his germs with us. He will reschedule a visit.

Alice Kim, his assistant, stopped by to make sure we got the last-minute email that Michael was ill. Very sweet of her. Interestingly, we found out today that her son is **Max Kim** (Key Club Lt. Governor – Division North) and he recently visited our club and did a great job presenting his plan to try to increase membership & participation at the Key Clubs we sponsor at Clark Magnet, Crescenta Valley, and Village Christian High Schools.

November 26, 2026
The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge's Thanksgiving Run – a 5K and Kids' Mile – has been a local tradition and a community favorite for more than three decades. It is the Community Center's biggest fundraiser of the year, and proceeds will directly support development of inclusive programs that serve the needs of all members of our surrounding communities. Both the 5K and Kids' Mile are professionally timed races that begin at Olberz Park in La Cañada Flintridge. The 5K will begin at 8:15am and the Kids' Mile will begin at 9:30am. Awards will be given to the top finishers in both races, and all Kids' Mile participants will receive a medal.



Their goal is to raise $50,000. Tax-deductible donations help them to provide amazing programs and services that LCF has enjoyed for over 75 years. **Our club is an annual supporter and gave a $500 sponsorship donation today!**

Our sponsorship level includes **4 complimentary race entries**. If you or a family member is interested, please contact Cindy. 818-421-2177, cindyb4@me.com

https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/LaCaadaFlintridge/CCLCFThanksgivingRun

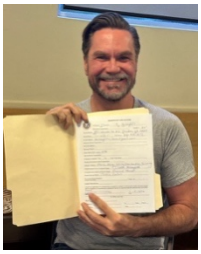


Presidents Announcements:
Century Club – a totally optional opportunity for our club members to acknowledge or celebrate an anniversary, birthday, someone special, etc. by telling us about it and giving a donation to our club that can be given to our Foundation or Administrative Account (your choice). Anytime!



H.A.M.S. – Our weekly Happy/Sad Bucks is also an optional opportunity for club members/guests to briefly share about something and give a donation of any amount to our club. These donations go into our Administrative Account, which helps us afford our room rental among other things.





New Member Alert - Derek McLaughlin
Officially joined our club TODAY! We are thrilled!

He has jumped right in to being a weekly Food Run VOLUNTEER! Thank You.

Veterans Day – Wednesday, November 11th

We will not be meeting at the church for a meeting next week. We will be attending the Veterans Day Ceremony at Two Strike Park. It is a very nice ceremony worth attending. There will be plenty of chairs on the grass, wear comfy shoes. The ceremony lasts for about an hour. Hope to see you there!





Bell Ringing – Our annual tradition of ringing the bell and greeting customers at Ralphs La Cañada in hopes that people are in the giving spirit and give generously to the Salvation Army.

Please call Joy ASAP at 626-394-6845 to sign up.

You can sign up with another member, invite family & friends, or do alone … whatever you prefer. Bring a chair and water.

Saturday, November 28th

10:00-12:00	Rosemary Hook, Cindy Bradford
12:00-2:00	
2:00-4:00	Lynne Thompson
4:00-6:00	Chris Ecker

Saturday, December 5th

10:00-12:00	Barbie Eland, Martha Burns
12:00-2:00	Evie Barley, Salli Dokko
2:00-4:00	Rose Velasquez
4:00-6:00	Chris Ecker

Saturday, December 12th

10:00-12:00	Brian Hummel, Rosemary Hook
12:00-2:00	Brian Hummel
2:00-4:00	Barbie Eland, Martha Burns
4:00-6:00	Chuck Hughes

Saturday, December 19th

10:00-12:00	Evie Barley, Salli Dokko
12:00-2:00	Rose Velasquez, Cindy Bradford
2:00-4:00	Derek McLaughlin
4:00-6:00	Chuck Hughes

Today's Meeting:

Attendance: 12 members & 5 guests in-person, and 3 members on Zoom.
Guests: Lou & Miryam Finkelberg and Liz Gallagher (Verdugos Club), Grace Kim (LCF Community Center), Derek McLaughlin.
Welcome Back: Lynne Thompson, Chuck & Susan Johnson
Birthdays: Evie Barley – Nov. 4th, Carol Scheck – Nov. 7th, Chuck Johnson – Nov. 10th
Anniversaries: none
Hospitality: Coffee & Donuts, thank you Barbie Eland.
Zoom Operators: Chris Ecker & Brian Hummel
Newsletter Editor/Photos/Website: Martha Burns, Cindy Bradford

H.A.M.S.:

Chris Ecker ($100) – He excitedly joined our Century Club and donated our Foundation. Long ago, when he was a member of the afternoon club … he only watched others because he could not afford to join their Century Club.

Evie Barley ($90) – She happily joined our Century Club and donated to our Foundation, to celebrate her 90th Birthday today! Happy Birthday … we hope you have a wonderful day filled with blessings.

Chuck Johnson ($100) – He joyfully joined our Century Club and donated to our Foundation, to celebrate his birthday next week! Happy Birthday … we hope you have a happy day filled with blessings.

Joy Gibson ($1) – His cute humor was about a girl looking for a witch costume & broom to wear at a school parade … after finding the broom, the girl asked her mom if she could still get a ride in the car to school instead of flying!

Miryam Finkelberg ($5) – She invites everyone to attend the BINGO fundraiser that the Verdugos Club is hosting on Saturday, November 14th. See flyer attached to email. Chuck Hughes operates the electronic BINGO system, so our club only needs 2 more members to attend to officially earn OUR Interclub with their club!

Lynne Thompson ($5) – She always enjoys seeing kids in costume on Halloween. This year she was busy; she handed out 185 pieces of candy to trick-or-treaters! Lots of kids come by because she is close to Indianola Way, which blocks off the street to cars and goes all out for the community. How fun!

Brian Hummel ($10) – He put a bowl of candy on his porch while he went to his daughter's Halloween party nearby, then came home looking forward to opening his door to many kids in costume … unfortunately the doorbell only rang once with 2 adorable girls trick-or-treating. He brought a bag of leftover candy to us to enjoy, yum! He also mentioned how thrilled he is that Derek has become a regular, we are SO lucky to have him and appreciate how he jumped in to being a regular Food Run volunteer!







Our guest speaker, Terry Manning (retired LAFD Division Chief), on October 28th was INCREDIBLE. We feel so honored that he shared with us a mix of sadness, reflection and pride about his deployment with the Los Angeles Fire Department/California Urban Search & Rescue Task Force of around 70 members to New York on September 11, 2001. His brother, **Tim Manning** (also a retired LAFD Division Chief) served as well. Their mission included search and rescue, body extrication, and assistance in the use of canine search teams, and more. He also shared information about the differences between infrastructure of high-rise buildings in New York and Los Angeles, and the efforts to safeguard Los Angeles … that continue to this day. It was VERY interesting, and we could have listened to him all day … so we welcomed him to return just to say hello OR to speak to us about anything he is willing to share.

https://www.lafra.org/lafd-history-never-forget-the-world-trade-center-attack-september-11-2001/

Donald Manning, his dad, was a dedicated member of our club and served as President.



Chief Donald Manning

The Los Angeles Fire Department recently lost one of its longtime leaders with the passing of Chief Donald Manning, a man whose career spanned four decades and some of the most significant chapters in the history of LAFD. He led the LAFD through a period of major fires, earthquakes, civil unrest and tremendous change throughout the City of LA.

A very meaningful part of Chief Manning's legacy can be found within his own family. Two of his sons, Terry and Tim Manning followed their father into the Los Angeles Fire Department. Each completed a 33-year career and ultimately rose to the rank of Assistant Chief. Between Don, Terry and Tim Manning, the family gave more than a century of combined service to the LAFD.

Chief Manning's watch has ended, but his legacy of leadership, family and service will remain. He passed away on August 5, 2026, at the age of 94. https://www.lafra.org/in-memoriam-remembering-chief-donald-o-manning/

WIDOWS, ORPHANS & DISABLED FIREFIGHTER'S FUND
The official charity of the Los Angeles Firemen's Relief Association

In Memory of Donald Manning – our club has donated $100
In Honor of Terry Manning – our club has donated $100
In Honor of Tim Manning – our club has donated $100

Founded more than a century ago, the Widows, Orphans & Disabled Firefighter's Fund is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charity dedicated to helping the families of firefighters injured or killed in the line of duty or facing crisis.

Firefighters dedicate their lives to helping others. They rush into burning buildings, dangle from helicopters, jump into raging waters, climb into trenches, and race to the frontlines of disaster, all to protect the rest of us.
But when the unthinkable happens, where do firefighters turn for help?

The Widows, Orphans & Disabled Firefighter's Fund. Helping our valiant firefighters in times of trouble is simply not possible without generous donations.

Contributions help provide:

- Basic living expenses, Health insurance, Durable medical equipment, Memorial scholarships for the children of deceased firefighters and other needed financial assistance.

Tax ID: 95-6205446 https://www.wodff.org/donate-now/

Weekly Meetings:
Wednesday's @ 7:30-8:30 am

Set-up starts at 7:00, chat time at 7:15.
In person –
Lutheran Church (Fellowship Hall), 1700 Foothill Blvd., LCF, 91011

On zoom –
Meeting ID: 81544355138
Passcode: 505812

Meeting Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcnq5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMZz09

Zoom Problems: If you get booted out just go to link & log back in.

Division 3 (DCM) Board Meeting: 3rd Monday of the month @ 5:45 p.m. Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St., Glendale.

Club Board Meeting: 1st Monday every-other month @ 7:30 a.m., small room near Fellowship Hall. Club member's always welcome.

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