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WHAT'S COMING UP OR GOING ON



Santa Maria BBQ & Music Festival, September 18-20

Pioneer Park, 1150 W Foster Rd, Santa Maria, CA

Volunteer at the BBQ Festival & Support Our Service Leadership Programs

This year, SLP members will be selling bottled water and soda while learning valuable leadership and customer service skills. We're asking members to volunteer by supervising our SLP students and helping sell **Booze Wagon Opportunity Drawing** tickets throughout the weekend.

Festival Volunteer Times

- Friday, Sept. 18: 4:00–10:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 19: 12:00–10:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 20: 12:00–9:00 p.m.

Set-up and clean-up volunteers are also needed each day. Whether you can serve for a couple of hours or an entire shift, your support makes a lasting difference.

Contact: Donna Beal for more information

2026 Cal-Nev-Ha District Education Convention, August 13-15

Sparks, NV

Interested in attending this year's educational conference. Start making plans now. Our club is registering everyone that will be going to the conference at one time. The club will be paying for your registration. You will not register on line. You will book your hotel, etc on line. Kiwanis is asking you to pay for the meals that you want to purchase ahead of time as the meals generally sell out. The club will not be paying for the meals. I'm sending a copy of the registration form and descriptions of the meals. I just need you to check the meals you would like at this time.

Contact: Ann Batterson for more information



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Great Friends, Great Food, Great Cause

This year's Winemakers Dinner at the Dana Adobe was a perfect evening of great food, fine wine, and wonderful company. Guests enjoyed a beautiful sunset over the rolling hills while relaxing in the vineyard, where conversation flowed easily and the setting was made even more special by vines heavy with ripe grapes. The evening featured Laetitia Sparkling Brut Rosé, Gainey Estate Chardonnay, and Oberon Sauvignon Blanc, followed by a delicious dinner of stuffed pork tenderloin, lemon butter salmon, white wine risotto, fresh vegetables, salad, and rolls. **Julie's** layered cakes paired with Foxen Winery Mission Dessert Wine provided a sweet finish.

A highlight of the evening was the outstanding service from Santa Maria High School FFA students. After dinner service, **Courtney** led guests in warmly inviting the students to join them at their tables, a simple but meaningful gesture that quickly spread throughout the room and reflected the true spirit of Kiwanis hospitality.

The night also included successful auctions, with approximately \$900 raised through the silent auction and about \$3,300 from the live auction led by Jim Corridan and the Kiwanis team. Jim also shared updates on the Dana Adobe's future and the strong partnership between Kiwanis and the Dana Adobe in preserving local history and educating future generations.

Thank you to all who attended, volunteered, and supported this memorable event.



Calendar-at-a-Glance

8/5: Admin Board

8/8: CLE Training

8/12: Corp Board

8/13-15: DCON

8/24: InnerClub with
Guadalupe

9/18-20: BBQ & Music
Festival

9/30: Installation
Dinner

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Kiwanis and Pickleball Club Rally Together

We partnered with the Santa Maria Pickleball Club to host a tournament featuring 22 women's teams, 31 men's teams, and 28 mixed doubles teams. Players traveled from throughout California, and even from Las Vegas and Oregon, to compete. Two previous candidates also supported the event, Paige sang the National Anthem, and Faith joined the game on the courts.

Our Kiwanis volunteers worked from early morning until evening, while 20 students from St. Joseph High School and our Key Clubs volunteered throughout the throughout the weekend. When rain delayed play on Sunday by nearly 2½ hours, our student volunteers jumped into action, drying courts with towels and squeegees so the tournament could continue.



A heartfelt thank you to our volunteers (**Donna, Maynard, Anna, Bob, Santiago, Rudy & Wayne***), sponsors (**Dr Ray, Randy, Jaime, Bill, Mike, Susan, Dan & Marisol***), and the Santa Maria Pickleball Club for making this partnership such a tremendous success. Together, we demonstrated the power of service and community collaboration.



Vision: Kiwanis will be a positive influence in the communities worldwide...so that one day all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive.



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Community & Service Leadership Programs

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Back-to-school season started with smiles, confidence, and community!

On August 1, the Kiwanis Club helped make the first day of school a celebration for 125 students from the Blochman Union School District, Boys & Girls Club, and Family Service Agency. Thanks to backpacks, school supplies, and new clothing from Old Navy, these amazing students are heading into the new school year feeling prepared and confident.

This incredible event would not have been possible without the generosity of our community partners:

- ♥ Old Navy
- ♥ KIA of Santa Maria
- ♥ Chick-fil-A
- ♥ Golden State Water Co.
- ♥ Allan Hancock College
- ♥ Kiwanis Club of Santa Maria-Night Time
- ♥ Mechanics Bank
- ♥ Smart & Final Charitable Foundation



A special thank you to our event chair, **Rudy**, for your outstanding leadership and dedication. We are also grateful to every Kiwanis member who shopped alongside our students, helping create a memorable experience filled with encouragement and care.

And to our incredible volunteers—thank you for sharing your time, compassion, and servant hearts.

Together, we're helping students begin the school year ready to learn, grow, and succeed!





Meeting Information

Weekly on Thursday

12:00-1:30

Minami Community Center

600 Enos, Santa Maria, CA 93456

Membership

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What a fun week of Kiwanis fellowship!

A group of our members, **Anna, Ann, Maynard, Santiago,** and **Elaine**, attended the SLO InnerClub meeting on July 31 at the Elks Lodge. The afternoon was all about getting to know members from another club, sharing ideas, enjoying a great lunch, and strengthening the friendships that make Kiwanis so special.



Just a few days later, on August 5, we joined the Coastal Valley Cyber Kiwanis Club for an unforgettable pajama-themed InterClub! **Anna, Alex, Julie, Santiago, Gaylen, and Elaine** enjoyed games, creative cocktails, and lots of laughter. We were honored to welcome our Lieutenant Governor and his wife, along with a candidate for Governor, who helped make the evening even more special.

Mark your Calendar for our **Interclub with Guadalupe** on Aug 24th at 5:30 at the Guadalupe Senior Center 4545 10th St in Guadalupe.

Fireworks Stand Sets New Sales Record!

A huge thank you to every Kiwanis member (**Ernesto, Gaylen, Bob, Elaine, Rich, Glenn, Silvia, Santiago, Donna, Randy, Alex & Julie**), Historical Society volunteer, and youth volunteer who helped make this year's fireworks stand such a tremendous success!

Together, we achieved a new milestone by surpassing \$30,000 in gross sales for the first time, finishing with an impressive \$30,453.68, a 15% increase over last year.

While we're still waiting for final financials, sales tax, and expenses before announcing our net profit, this is already a tremendous accomplishment. Thank you for your dedication, enthusiasm, and countless volunteer hours.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy summer, fellow Kiwanians!

This past month has been busy and filled with Kiwanis activities. Everything from Pickleball to the Winemaker's Dinner to the Back to School shopping spree on August 1, it has all been fun and rewarding.

A special thank you to Jim Corridan of D.A.N.A. and to those Kiwanians who helped with the Winemakers Dinner and who attended the event; Elaine, Bob, Alex, Julie, Ed, and Gaylen. We could not have done it without all of you! The Dana Adobe was shown at its best with the perfect weather and beautiful lighting of the Central Coast. The food was delicious, the wines lovely, and Julie's cakes unbelievable (definitely the hit of the night!). The silent (thank you Elaine!) and live auction were fun and profitable. My hope is that next year more people will be able to attend this event and experience the beauty and serenity that I find at the Adobe. It had long been a dream that we could work with the Adobe to do an event that was both fun and that highlighted the beautiful area we live in.

With respect and thankfulness,

Anna Rubcic

2025-2026 President

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

7: Ryan Maxwell
20: Scott Buchanan
24: Dan Lillard
29: Joyce Ellen Lippman



August 2: Ann & Jim Batterson
August 3: Ray & Courtney Arensdorf
August 23: Tony & Kori Gonzales

