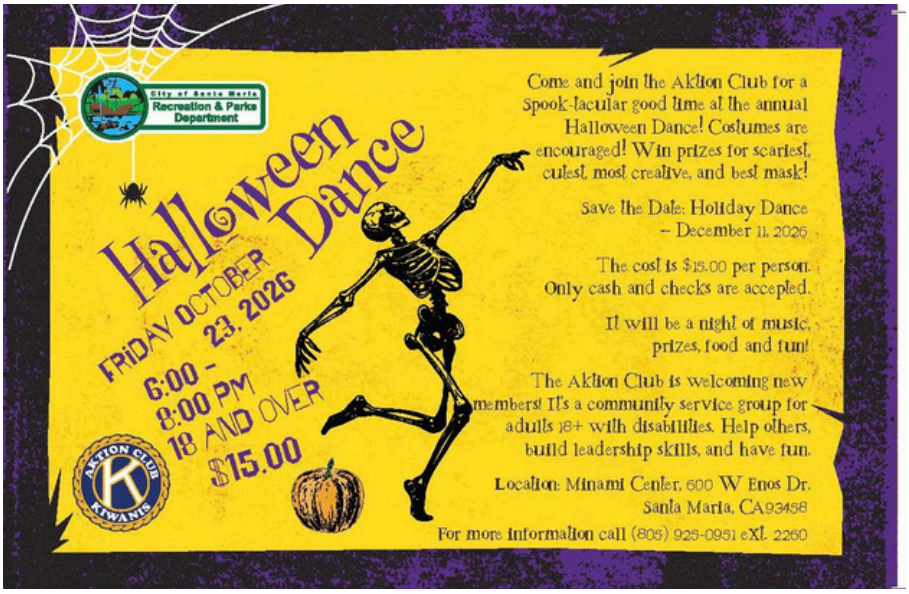
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Noontime News

Kiwanis Club of Santa Maria
PO Box 85, Santa Maria, CA 93456
http://www.santamariakiwanis.org

Club news you can use

WHAT'S COMING UP OR GOING ON



Aktion Club Halloween Dance, October 24

Minami Community Center, 600 West Enos

Join the Aktion club for a Spook-tacularly good time at the annual Halloween Dance on Friday, Oct 23 from 6-8 pm. Costumes are encouraged.

Contact: Michelle Galanski or Julie Posada for more information

Walk With Us: Join Our Team for the Walk to End Alzheimer's, October 24

Waller Park, 3107 Orcutt Road, Santa Maria, CA 93455

Our club has already made a donation to the Walk to End Alzheimer's, but our support doesn't have to stop there. This year, who would be interested in going a step further and putting boots on the ground by forming a club walking team. Walking together is a visible way to show our community that we stand with the families, caregivers, and individuals affected by Alzheimer's disease, and it's a great morning out with fellow members.

CNH Circle K Conference and DLSSP, November 6-8

Santa Maria Inn, 801 S Broadway

The Circle K Fall Training Conference is coming to Santa Maria from November 6-8! We'll be providing a meal for the students during their training and are asking for member donations to support their DLSPP project.

Contact: Steve Geraci for more information

Kiwanis

Campaign website

www.smkiwanis.givesmart.com

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Fundraising



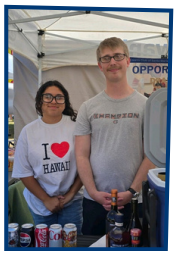
Booze Wagon Raffle

Congratulations to **Bill McInerney**, the lucky recipient of this year's Booze Wagon! Thank you to everyone who contributed and supported this fun and spirited fundraiser, we raised just over $4,000 thanks to all of your support.

Serving Up Success at the BBQ Festival!

The Santa Maria BBQ & Music Festival was a wonderful opportunity for Kiwanis members to serve alongside our young leaders! Thank you to Mike Sell, Randy, Wayne, Maynard, Glenn, Gayleen, Elaine, Marisol, Ernesto, Bob, Ann, Janae, Midge and Donna for volunteering and supporting our AHC Circle K students.







Together, our Circle K students sold soda and earned more than $300, all while building confidence and valuable customer service and leadership skills.



Roughly 16,000 attendees joined in the free festival with 30% of them being from out of town. We are also incredibly thankful to JFAN Entertainment for their partnership and their generous **$6,050 donation** to support Kiwanis programs and services!



SAVE THE DATE

Bunco Bonanza
December 5, 2026
12:00 to 3:00 pm

Who will be crowned Bunco Champion? Find out at our Bunco Bonanza!
This festive fundraiser only works when we all pitch in, and everyone can play a part:
🎲 Sponsor or recruit a business sponsor ($500+)
🎁 Donate or recruit a raffle prize ($50+ value)
🍪 Bring wrapped desserts for our dessert station
When each of us contributes a little, we accomplish a lot!

Reach out to **Donna Beal** to get involved.

Motto

Serving the children of the world

Statement

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time

Community & Service Leadership Programs

*If anyone was missed, it was not intentional.

Calendar-at-a-Glance

10/2: AHC Career Expo BBQ
10/3: Installation Dinner
10/7: Admin Board
10/8: Circle K Takeover
10/9: Corp Board
10/24: Walk to End Alzheimer's
10/29: DCM

Scan the QR Code below to be taken to our online calendar

Career Expo BBQ: Teamwork in Action







Kiwanis members and Circle K students teamed up at the Allan Hancock College Career Expo to prepare and serve **500 meals** for industry partners, staff and volunteers who support students as they explore career pathways. From the early-morning grill crew to the service team, everyone played an important role in making the BBQ a success.

A special thank-you to Jaime, Randy, Donna Mike,Wayne, Maynard, Jim, Bob, Gayleen, Elaine, Anna, Susan, Silvia and Ed for volunteering their time and putting the Kiwanis spirit of service into action. We are grateful for everyone who helped make this a memorable day of teamwork, fellowship and community service!

Builder's Club Installation of Officers

A heartfelt thank-you to all the Kiwanis members who joined the Installation of Officers for Builder's Club on September 29 (Anna, Julie, Bob). Your support and presence help inspire our next generation of leaders to continue serving with purpose and pride.

Interested in Making a Difference?

Our Key Club students are energetic young leaders who are eager to serve their school and community. We're looking for a Kiwanis member to serve as a Key Club Advisor for PVHS and SMRP and help guide, encourage, and support these future leaders. Could you be the mentor they need?

Contact: Gaylen Clark for more information

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.

Meeting Information

Weekly on Thursday
12:00-1:30
Minami Community Center
600 Enos, Santa Maria, CA 93456

Membership

InnerClub Challenge

For our club to achieve our goal of a **Round Robin** and possibly a **Super Round Robin**, we will need everyone's participation in our InnerClub activities. To get credit for an InnerClub, we need at least 4 people at the meeting to represent our club. If we get 8, then we get double points. Doesn't that sound great! Be on the lookout for upcoming opportunities.

Contact: Jim Burubeltz for more information



Calling All BBQ Enthusiasts!

Our famous BBQ is in high demand! Each year, we are invited to support local community events by serving up our delicious BBQ. With more requests coming our way, it's time to create a BBQ Committee to help organize and support these opportunities.

Interested in being part of the team? We'd love to have you!

Contact: Glenn Prezkop for more information

Division Council Meeting (DCM) October 29

Minami Community Center, 600 West Enos

We're gearing up for the year's first DCM and need volunteers to assit with setup at 2:15 pm. Costumes are encouraged, and we'll have games, 1 50/50 raffle, and lots of fun! Don't miss our on the spooktacular event.

Contact: Ann, Anna or Elaine for more information

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Oct 17: Mike Sell
Oct 25: Eric Palacios
Oct 16: Maynard & Roz Silva
Oct 23: Wayne & Cindi Elias



PROGRAM RECAP

Thank you to Dr Walthers for sharing how AHC is working to support students and to Doug Chadwick for the information on Kiwanis Book Sponsorship opportunities and to Eileen Guzman for sharing her journey as the first lady.

Coming up: AHC Circle K

Call to Action: Please send speaker suggestions to Mike & Susan Moats at sjmoats@gmail.com

Kiwanis Engage **https://engage.kiwanis.org**

To access the Kiwanis member portal, go to **https://engage.kiwanis.org** and use the email address on file with your membership to log in. If it's your first time or you've forgotten your password, click "Forgot Password?" to reset it and follow the instructions.

Club Leadership and Awards

Installation Lunch and Awards Dinner

On October 3rd, we celebrated the contributions of our club members and introduced our new leadership. We are immensely grateful for the efforts of those who served over the past year.

Distinguished Club Members
Santiago Bañuelos
Elaine Guzman
Eileen Geraci
Steve Geraci
Alex Posada
Julie Posada
Anna Rubcic

Legion of Honor
30 yrs Maynard Silva
35 yrs Wayne Elias
40 yrs Rich Healy
45 yrs Glenn Prezkop

Tablet of Honor
Julie Posada

William A Dunlap Fellowship
Steve Geraci

Rose Float Fellowship
Steve Geraci

Kiwanian of the Year
Elaine Guzman



Club Officers 2026-27
President: Elaine Guzman
President Elect: Eileen Geraci
Vice President: Bob Doyle
Immediate Past President: Anna Rubcic
Secretary: Ann Batterson
Treasurer: Steve Geraci

Santa Maria Board of Directors
2025-27
Dawn Jackson
Silvia Oishi-Cheatham
Glenn Prezkop
2026-28
Jim Burubeltz
Dr Richard Healy
Maynard Silva

Kiwanis for Kids Board of Directors
Donna K Beal
Alex Posada
Treasurer: Marisol Cruz







Tablet of Honor
Julie Posada



William Dunlap
Steve Geraci







Rose Float
Steve Geraci



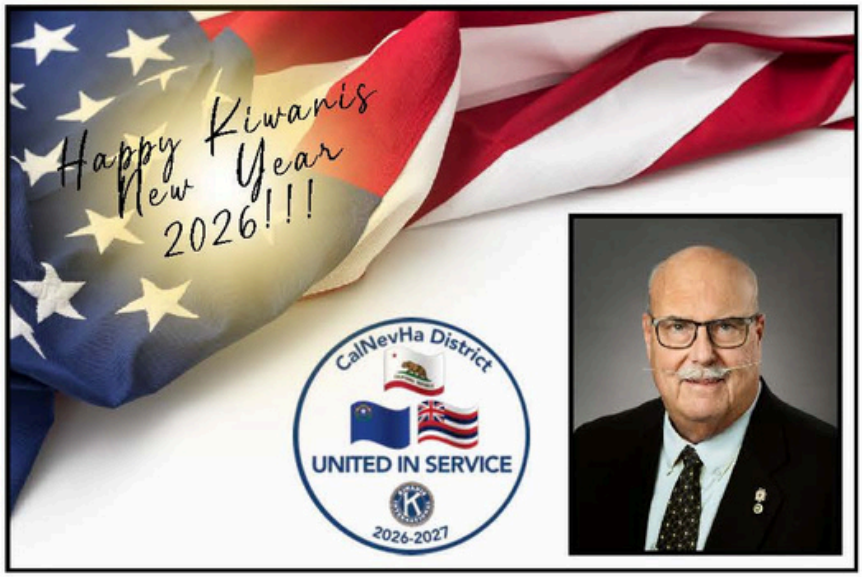
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CAL-NEV-HA Children's Fund

NEWS YOU CAN USE

October 2026



WELCOME BRIAN DAHLQUIST

We're excited to begin the 2026–2027 Kiwanis year alongside you! A new year brings fresh opportunities to serve, inspire, and work together toward a better future for children.

Each year, our CNH District Governor establishes goals that help guide and strengthen the Cal-Nev-Ha District of Kiwanis. This year, Governor Dahlquist's theme, ***United in Service***, reminds us of the impact we can make when we come together with a shared purpose.

We invite you to **explore Governor Dahlquist's goals** and discover how we can make this year one of meaningful service and lasting impact.

A YEAR OF IMPACT!

As we begin the 2026–2027 Kiwanis year, take a moment to reflect on the incredible difference you helped make. Your dedication, time, and passion for service have touched countless lives - and it shows. Check out our **2025 Annual Report**. Whether it was through fundraising, volunteering, or simply showing up with a heart for helping others, you've moved mountains for the children and communities we serve. Thank you!





DONATE ♥



"I had the privilege to travel around the nation to represent CNH KIWIN'S, teaching me unforgettable lessons of leadership and service."

- Madisen Nguyen, 2026 Scholarship Recipient

SCHOLARSHIP APPS OPEN SOON

Scholarship season is almost here! The CNH Children's Fund awards scholarships to outstanding KIWIN'S and Key Club graduating seniors, as well as Circle K members who demonstrate:

- **Servant Leadership**
- **Academic Achievement**
- **Service to Teir School and Community**
- **Commitment to Kiwanis Values**

Learn More About Our Scholarship Program

YES2YOUTH

Your support helps Circle K, Key Club, and KIWIN'S members turn their college dreams into reality.

- **Meet our 2026 scholarship recipients** and discover the difference your generosity makes.
- **Support the YES! Initiative** and help open doors to a brighter future.

FREE MONEY

New year, new service opportunities! Have a great project idea? The CNH Children's Fund offers **club grants** to help bring your new service projects to life. Check out these **grant success stories!** for some inspiration! **Apply today** and make your next project happen.

SERVICE AWARDS

Celebrate someone who makes a difference by recognizing a deserving member or community leader with a **Distinguished Service Award**, **Community Service Award**, or **Youth Service Award**. Order by September 30 as prices increase October 1, 2026!