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# Kiwanis Club Pasadena

August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024



Celebrating over 100 years serving the children of the Pasadena community

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***Join us for our Lunch Meeting with Dr. Blanco***

***Dr. Elizabeth Blanco, Superintendent of Pasadena School District***  
***Thursday, August 15th @ 12:00 noon***



**PASADENA**  
**Unified School District**  
Our Children. Learning today. Leading tomorrow.

***RSVP directly to Chris Kolbeck @ [Cjkolbeck@gmail.com](mailto:Cjkolbeck@gmail.com)***

## Elizabeth J. Blanco, Ed.D. Superintendent Pasadena Unified School District

Dr. Elizabeth J. Blanco was appointed Superintendent of the Pasadena Unified School District effective July 1, 2024. She previously served as Interim Superintendent since July 2023.

An accomplished executive and servant leader with more than 30 years of experience in public education, Dr. Blanco is passionate about creating dynamic learning environments that are engaging and inclusive of all learners.

“I am honored to serve as the Superintendent and I look forward to actualizing the District’s visionary Strategic Plan,” Dr. Blanco said. “The Strategic Plan is unique in that it intentionally includes the voices and dreams of the PUSD community. I am excited to walk with our students, colleagues, and educational partners as we put the district’s new vision and mission into action.”

Dr. Blanco led the District’s visioning for the future through the design and development of the District’s Educational Master Plan that creates pathways for the realization of the District’s Facilities Master Plan and new Strategic Plan. Dr. Blanco also led the design and implementation of the District’s Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). Her work includes the expansion of magnet schools and the establishment of community schools and educational equity access initiatives.

Dr. Blanco was Interim Superintendent of PUSD from July 1, 2023 until her appointment as Superintendent in July 2024. She previously served as the district's Deputy Superintendent, the District’s second-highest role, since 2022; as Chief Academic Officer from 2018-2021; Chief of Specialized Instructional Services from 2017-2018, and Executive Director of SELPA, Special Education and Early Childhood from 2009-2012. From 2012-2017, Dr. Blanco was Chief of Special Education Services and the Division of Instruction, Innovation, and Social Justice in the San Francisco Unified School District. She began her career in education as a classroom teacher in the Rowland Unified School District.

Dr. Blanco holds a Doctor of Education in Urban Educational Leadership from the University of Southern California, two Master of Arts degrees in Educational Administration and Special Education, and a Bachelor of Arts in Child Development from California State University, Los Angeles.

# Pasadena Public Safety Fair



**Saturday, August 31 | 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**  
at the Salvation Army Campus & Parking Lot

960 East Walnut Street  
Pasadena, CA 91106



**Free food and drinks provided for everyone who attends!**  
**DOOR PRIZE!**



**FREE** Kid's Safety Bike  
Helmets & Protection Pad's  
Kits for children!



**Many other Pasadena organizations and service groups will be there as well!**



The Pasadena Fire Department and Police Department will be providing safety education with their Fire Engines and Ambulances, as well as other demonstrations for the education and enjoyment of everyone!



Cheri Kolbeck, MSFS, C&FC  
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**Sponsored by the Pasadena Kiwanis Club for the benefit of children and families in the Pasadena community!**



Ingrid May  
Board Director  
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**Flyer for our August 31<sup>st</sup> Public Safety Fair in Pasadena  
Hope to see many of you there – with your families and friends**

**Come join us at future Service Projects and Club Meetings**

**If you're not a member - come as our guest and meet our Kiwanis Family**

**Join our Club for just \$30 each month or \$300 per year  
Each Dinner and Lunch are free to guests and \$25 for members  
We have a guest speaker from the Pasadena community at each meeting**

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS**

Two Club Meetings each month – We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays  
We also feed families at the Union Station Family Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays

### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Harry Crusberg, Jr.	August 4 <sup>th</sup>
Frances Collins-Moore	August 15 <sup>th</sup>
Karen Drew	August 16 <sup>th</sup>

### **KIWANIS CLUB ANNIVERSARIES**

Bob Riegel	August 13 <sup>th</sup> , 1987
Frances Collins-Moore	August 18 <sup>th</sup>
Cristina Diaz	August 18 <sup>th</sup>

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

None this month

## **FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm Serving Dinner to Families  
@ Union Station Family Center, 825 East Orange Grove Blvd., Pasadena  
Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm Pasadena Club Social Mixer  
@ Mijares Mexican Restaurant, 145 Palmetto Drive, Pasadena  
Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, Public Safety Fair  
Salvation Army Campus @ 960 East Walnut Street





**Ingrid and friends at the Wrigley Mansion Tour**





**Harambee Ministries Luncheon and Book Donations**  
**Jean, Angela, Chris, Brandon, Susan, Anne, and guests**



***Brandy and Chris at the Elizabeth House Carnival***



***Chris, Christine, and Ingrid helping out at the Boys and Girls Club***



*Dr. Bell and Dr. Torres with their  
Rose City High School Student Awardees*



*2025 Kiwanis Rose Float*





**Fire Chief Augustin and Police Chief Harris  
at the Student Awards Dinner**

***“You make a living by what you earn;  
You make a life by what you give”***

<b>Kiwanis Club of Pasadena - Volunteer &amp; Club Events</b>			
<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Organization</i>	<i>Contact Person</i>
<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Tutoring English &amp; Math to children ages 6-12, Mon-Thurs, 3pm-5pm</i>	<i>Boys and Girls Club</i>	<i>Anne Lee @ 858-472-2245</i>
<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Food Pantry help @ Salvation Army - Mon-Fri, 9am-11:30am</i>	<i>Salvation Army</i>	<i>Jody Davis @ 909-815-7722</i>
<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Shelter Support Shifts - Monday through Friday afternoons for 3 hours</i>	<i>Elizabeth House</i>	<i>Brandy Mayer @ 626-577-4434</i>
<i>Ongoing</i>	<i>Book giveaway for children - Douglas Chadwick's Literacy Club</i>	<i>Kiwanis</i>	<i>Doug Chadwick @ 818-381-3274</i>
<i>Ongoing</i>	<i>Villa's Garden Club &amp; Social Club - weekly volunteers needed to help</i>	<i>Villa Esperanza</i>	<i>Jenny Seto @ 626-449-919</i>
<i>Monthly</i>	<i>Adopt-a-Meal at Union Station Family Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays @ 825 E. Orange Grove, Pasadena</i>	<i>Kiwanis</i>	<i>Mica Quinto-Chan @ 626-676-4967</i>
<i>Saturday August 31<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Public Safety Festival with Pasadena Police and Fire Departments Salvation Army Parking Lot @ 960 E. Walnut Street, Pasadena</i>	<i>Kiwanis</i>	<i>Chris Kolbeck @ 626-590-6720</i>

**Members earn \$3 credit for each hour of service**





### *Great Quotes Series*

“As we serve others we are working on ourselves; every act, every word and every gesture of genuine compassion naturally nourishes our own hearts as well”



*Mckinley Middle School Student Awardees*

LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.



**Kiwanis**



*Ryan, Chris, Harry, Mica & Family, and Laura at our Union Station Family dinner feeding*

## **THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS**

**TO GIVE** primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than material values of life

**TO ENCOURAGE** the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships

**TO PROMOTE** the adoption and the application of social, business and professional standards

**TO DEVELOP** by precept and example a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship

**TO PROVIDE** KIWANIS Clubs a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities

**TO COOPERATE** in creating and maintaining sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase in righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

**KIWANIS GOALS**

*Kiwanis, through guidance and example,  
works to develop future generations of leaders.*

*Every day,*

*Kiwanians are revitalizing neighborhoods,  
organizing youth-sports programs, tutoring,  
building playgrounds, and performing  
countless other projects to help children*

*and communities.*

**WANT TO ATTEND A KIWANIS MEETING?**

The Pasadena Kiwanis Club meets twice a  
month

5:30 pm Dinner on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays

12:00 noon Lunch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Meeting Location (most days)

Salvation Army Campus  
960 East Walnut Street, Pasadena

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**For more information about our  
club and membership please  
call:**

- Chris Kolbeck @ 626-590-6720
- Laura Hernandez @ 323-715-7704
- Craig Wallace @ 909-210-3250
- Jody Davis @ 909-815-7722

**KIWANIS CLUB OF PASADENA**

**CLUB OFFICERS 2022 – 2023**

President.....Chris Kolbeck  
President Elect .....Laura Hernandez  
Vice President.....  
Secretary.....Jenny Seto  
Treasurer.....Craig Wallace  
Foundation Treasurer.....Craig Wallace  
Immediate Past-President .....Jody Davis

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Jeanie Edwards	Joe Moore
Susan Lyte	Mel Matthews
Bill Ingram	Karen Drew
Noelia Santiago	Ingrid May

**Kiwanis Members**  
**Are**  
*Ordinary people performing*  
**EXTRAORDINARY WORK**



## [Kiwanis Club of Pasadena - What We Do](#)

1. [Villa Esperanza Services](#) – we work with this organization to help disabled adults in Pasadena improve their self-esteem and help them to give back to their community through the Aktion Club.
2. [Salvation Army](#) – we ring bells during the Christmas season each year to raise money for their charity. We fill backpacks for students of low-income families. We also participate in the Adopt-a-Family Program.
3. [Elizabeth House](#) – working with homeless, young mothers and their children through support and hope.
4. [Camperships for Kids](#) – we provide funding to send kids to summer camp who cannot afford to go on their own. Boys & Girls Club and the Salvation Army
5. [Student Awards Program](#) - We provide annual scholarships to outstanding students from the schools in Pasadena.
6. [Key Clubs](#) that teach leadership skills to students from: Marshall High School, La Salle, Maranatha (KIWINS) d. Pasadena High School (KIWINS)
7. [Circle K Club](#) with Pasadena City College where these students provide community service and learn leadership traits.
8. [Kiwanis Rose Float Project](#) – we assist in preparing this international representation of Kiwanis while also being the host club for the President of Kiwanis International.
9. [Various other projects](#), i.e., Special Olympics, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Veterans and others. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

