



Message From The Lt. Governor



Gail Cirata

Happy 2023 everyone,

The year has started off with tons of snow, rain, wind and storms — bringing with it loads of water — filling our reservoirs (the good part) and tragedy for many. Seems to be more of the ying with the yang. I hope all of you have stayed safe and sound.

The weather cleared enough that almost 100 of us made it to the King's game on January 9th. Thank you Roseville Club & Brian Mclean for arranging this fundraiser for The Kiwanis Family House! Plus it was a great game...go kings! Really a great event that we could all participate in...

January held a lot for us:

The President's Club met on January 14th on zoom. What a tremendous group we have...a committee was established for creating a community wide event with participation in each of our communities and including our SLP Clubs. This can become a "legacy event" which could help spread the word about Kiwanis and attract more members. There were discussions about our best fundraisers including the advantages and challenges of each, how to deal with many of our members when it becomes difficult, educating our clubs about how to attract members by integrating more of their businesses into our clubs and a host of other ideas. A very solid couple of hours...

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Division Council Meetings

2nd Monday, Meeting at 5:30 PM

Currently Via Zoom

2022-2023 Leadership Team

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Message From The Lt. Governor (Continued)

The Division Council Meeting (DCM) (Zoom) on January 16th had a full agenda as well as awarding the Hero of the Month award and in Memoriam Awards. We also had updates on TGUP, Diversity and Inclusion, Mid-Year Conference (January 27th & 28th), Regional Training Conference (February 18th) and many other items. Please join in to these meetings as they give a ton of information and sharing of ideas.... It can also help qualify you for interclub requirements.

Hopefully you are able to attend the mid-year conference... With Governor Valarie heading it up it promised to be an exciting event and provide valuable education and training. Sometimes we all need a little jolt to our systems and this is one of the places to find it!

Starting in February we've planned a meeting with a new group. The Secretaries and Treasurers of each of our 14 clubs... on February 5th at the Kiwanis Family House. The idea came originally from Tom Hinshaw and again from the Roseville Club... I think Tom said that he was envious of the Presidents Club and how about one for the Secretaries & Treasurers??? Well... Why not? These can be very difficult jobs and having a built-in support system hopefully will be of great benefit! Thanks Tom and Brian!

In December we were able to award our first "Hero of the Month" for Division 44 to Jim Johnson from the Sac Suburban Club... what a magnificent individual. Thank you, Jim, for all you do... We have now established an in-memoriam award for those members that have recently passed away. We have just created an award for new members that have gone above and beyond in helping our clubs help the children in our communities.

Also, kudos to Caren Largomarsino (President Sac Suburban)... Governor Valarie connected with her to use and promote her book "The Time Travelers" at the interclub luncheon at the Mid-Year Conference in Monterey. A book that asks the reader to imagine going back in time to meet the brave women who fought for equal rights and opportunities in education, elections and the workplace. We are so proud of you, Caren! thank you everyone for all that you do.... You make me very proud to serve you!

Gail



Kiwanis CNH Children's Fund

Contributed By Anthony Antonelli / Foundation Director and Ambassador Chairman

NEWS YOU CAN USE

from the Cal-Nev-Ha Children's Fund

JANUARY 2023



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North

SAT | JAN 28

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FOOD | FUN | FELLOWSHIP

South

SAT | MAR 18

Burbank, CA

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-Jason Liu, 2022 Scholarship Recipient

SERVICE AWARDS

Governor Val is gearing up to start her official visits in February and would love to present a [Service Award](#) to a deserving Kiwanian or community member during the Governor's Official Visit to your division! If your division or region is one of her first stops, now is the time to order your [Distinguished Service Award \(DSA\)](#), [Community Service Award \(CSA\)](#) or [Youth Service \(YSA\)](#). Honoring others also supports our District's Service Leadership Program members with scholarships and leadership training. Place your order today, then enjoy the New Year!

LEGACY FELLOWSHIP

Becoming a [Legacy Fellowship](#) member is a distinction like no other. Joining our Legacy Fellowship by making a charitable gift in your will or trust means that you choose to continue making the future brighter and safer for youth while impacting lives long after you are gone. Check out this [video](#) to learn how your gift can be a legacy you will be honored to leave.

SLP SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you know a Service Leadership Program (SLP) member like [Jason](#) that would also be grateful to receive a scholarship? Please share the news that scholarship applications are open for our [Key Club](#), [KIWIN'S](#) and [Circle K](#) members. And consider assisting them in completing their scholarship app to ensure they don't miss the opportunity to score **free money** toward their future. Applications are due **Friday, February 17, 2023**.

Kiwanis CNH Region 16

Contributed By Gail Cirata

**REGION 16
REGIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2022

8:00AM-1:30PM



**TOPICS INCLUDE: MEMBERSHIP,
DIVERSITY & INCLUSION, REGIONAL
PROJECT UPDATE, SERVICE LEADERSHIP
PROGRAM UPDATES**

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Kiwanis Club of Citrus Heights

Contributed By Roger Klausler

With the winter celebrations behind us, we look back on the happiness those days brought to us and on the joy our club's activities, we hope, brought to others.

*On December 4, Bradley Miller and Veronica Hunter and the Mesa Verde High School Key Club spent a few hours in the beautiful Earl J Koobs Nature Area at our annual cookie decorating station at Carmichael Kiwanis Club Holiday at Koobs. In addition to cookie decorating, there were pictures with Santa and tables for making Christmas ornaments and crafts. Unfortunately, only few dozen families attended before the weather closed it down. Veronica reported that "was all fun and games until the lightning came. We packed up and ran! But it was wonderful way to spend a few hours in nature and around the most dedicated parents and children looking for holiday fun!" **(Photos 1, 2, 3, 4).***

*At the City Hall tree lighting ceremony on December 6, Veronica and Past President Bradley Miller were joined by some members of the Mesa Verde Key Club to host the crafts table. They handed out over 320 sticker sheets in 90 minutes. Each sheet has stickers that let the kids create a Santa, a snowman, reindeer, and an elf all their own. **(Photos 5, 6, 7, 8).***

At JCPenney on December 17, we rang the bells and greeted holiday shoppers at those familiar red kettles to raise funds for the Salvation Army.

- *Shown are Mike Lamson, Gale Hooper, Jim Putnam, and Bill Hooper **(Photo 9).***
- *Jayson and Lauren Thompson, Candice, Peyton, and Rylee **(Photo 10).***
- *Jim Putnam and Roger Klausler **(Photo 11).***
- *Steve Anderson **(Photo 12).***
- *Veronica Hunter and Mike Lamson **(Photo 13).***
- *Evan SooHoo **(Photo 14).***

*Our club salutes the Citrus Heights Police Department for carrying on an annual holiday event. December 14 was the afternoon of the traditional Sayonara Drive Citrus Heights Police Department (CHDP) gift parade. At 4:15 p.m., police cars and an emergency vehicle arrived with sirens blaring and lights flashing. They lined the street in front of the Sayonara Community Center as the kids shouted "Merry Christmas" and held up greeting signs. Controlled chaos ensued while police officers and PD Volunteers handed out bicycles, toys, games, earbuds, puzzles, art supplies and stuffed animals donated by local businesses, service organizations, churches, and citizens of our community. The Sayonara Center opened its doors in 2006 and invites kids from their community to spend their afternoons in a safe, drug-free, violence-free place. Veronica Hunter and Roger Klausler are regular volunteers at the center. It's a place to focus on homework, eat a healthy snack, and most of all, to be cared for. Kudos to the CHPD for this annual event and to the contributors who made it possible. **(Photos 15-22).***

Vernon Brown gave an end-of-year recap of the club's activities for Kiwanis Family House:

- *450 Hours volunteered at the House.*
- *Donations of \$6735 in cash and merchandise to support the House.*
- *Performance of 344 repair/services for the House **(Photo 23).***

*Our 37th annual Crab Feed will be held on Friday, February 10, at the Citrus Heights Community Center. Doors open at 6:00, dinner begins at 7:00. Co-sponsored by Soroptimist of Citrus Heights, it features a live auction, a silent auction, a wine raffle, pours of high-end wines, beer, and spirits, and...of course...crab and shrimp dishes. Crab Feed tickets are \$70 per person and \$650 per table. Members of our high school Key Clubs will help us set up and conduct the silent and live auctions. For two ways to purchase tickets, please see the accompanying flyer. **(Photo 24)***

Kiwanis Club of Citrus Heights

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Doors Open 6pm · Dinner Starts 7pm

Citrus Heights Community Center

6300 Fountain Square Dr., Citrus Heights, 95621

PRICE: \$70/Ticket · \$650/Table of 10

Kiwanis Club of Roseville

Contributed By Anna Gonzalez-Cifuentes



IT'S OFFICIAL! WITH THE HELP OF THE PRESIDENT OF ROSEVILLE ROTARY, RALPH FELIX, KIWANIS HAS AN UPDATED MONUMENT SIGN ON RIVERSIDE. A "WELCOME TO ROSEVILLE " SIGN AND CITY EMBLEM WILL ALSO BE INSTALLED.

CLUBS WE SPONSOR

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- *Granite Bay High School Key Club
- *Oakmont High School Key Club
- *Roseville High School Key Club
- *West Park High School Key Club
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- *Buljan Middle School Builders Club
- *Creekview Ridge Middle School Builders Club
- *Silverado Middle School Builders Club
- *Aktion Club of Roseville/Rocklin

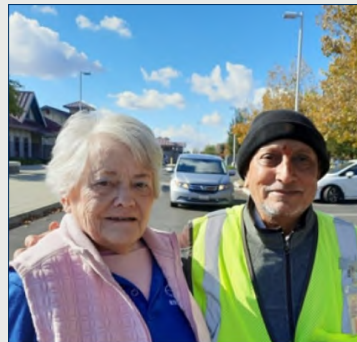


November was a key month in politics and so Kiwanis was there helping work the polls. Mike H. is ready to go! Smile and all!



Speaking of new... yours truly won the apron contest! Over 30 signatures - helped me meet and recognize names! Kris, me and Brian

KEEP READING! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR MORE EVENTS THIS MONTH



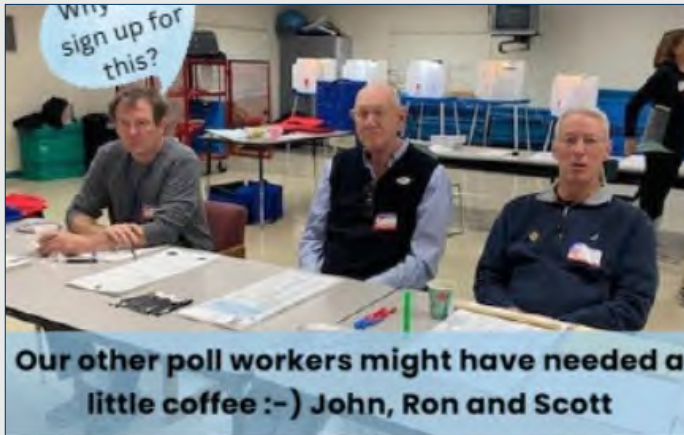
Barbara and Harry along with other Kiwanis Members went out and gave appreciation gifts to local crossing guards. They were both surprised and thrilled! Big thank you to them for keeping our kids safe!



DOUBLE OFFICIAL! THE MCLEAN'S HOSTING NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION AT THEIR BEAUTIFUL HOME! ALONG WITH KEY KIWANIS MEMBERS, WE WELCOME YOU!

Kiwanis Club of Roseville

Contributed By Anna Gonzalez-Cifuentes



Our other poll workers might have needed a little coffee :-) John, Ron and Scott



General Meeting- all learning about Accident Prevention - thanks to our guest speaker from Sutter!



John and I attended the Blue Star Moms Packing event. We helped pack holiday care packages for soldiers overseas.



We also heard from Roseville Fire Camp!



Ron F and Richard S seem to enjoy eating See's more than selling!

Kiwanis Club of Roseville

Contributed By Anna Gonzalez-Cifuentes

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

On Nov 30th in downtown Roseville, Kiwanis set up their Christmas tree with a number of handmade ornaments and decorations honoring our community and personal heroes. There was an ornament decorating party and it came together beautifully. We have a few weeks to win the Christmas tree decorating contest. So stop by and vote for our tree as THE BEST!!!



Decorating furiously to make it nice!



Celebration! A great close to the month!

Key Club & Builder's Club Updates



Builder's Club Meeting!

Builder's Club is starting a school wide canned food drive for the Roseville Salvation Army next week. They collected \$117 for UNICEF.



D44W and D7W enjoyed a potluck and service DCM!

Key Clubbers are working on their upcoming CTC training being held on Dec. 4, additionally they will be helping with See's Candy sign waving and Food Basket packaging on Dec 16 & 17. Busy times!

Kiwanis Club of Roseville

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! LAST KIWANIS MEETING OF 2022!



Blessed to have been able to spend some time together and be able to share in a good feast and with good company!



SOME OF OUR HONORARY KIWANIS MEMBERS @ THE TOMMY APOSTOLOS SHOPPING DAY FOR KIDS!



A little holiday gathering at the Winner residence. Dancing, food and fun! Thank you for hosting!



Member of the month recognition! Ted Smith! Who lead See's Sales Successfully this season!

KEEP READING! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR MORE EVENTS THIS MONTH



Lovely visit from LTG Gail! Thank you for visiting us!



We heard from our wonderful heroes in the community who are also working with youth.

Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban

Contributed By Chris Creelman

Diane Perdue's Induction

Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis inducted new member Dianne Perdue. Dianne and President Caren Lagomarsino were college roommates 53 years ago while attending UC Davis. Dianne was a Social Worker and worked with the homeless before retiring. She has two children and is a huge Kings and Forty Niner fan. Welcome (officially), Diane.



Inaugural Div. 44 Club Hero Award

President Lagomarsino announced that our Div. 44 Lt. Governor has initiated a new "Hero of the Month" award that will be presented to one person at each DCM. The award is given to the person who speaks to the heart of their respective club. Sac Suburban's own Jim Johnson has received the first ever Hero of the Month award for his many important contributions to Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis. Jim has been a member of Sac Suburban for 41 years. Jim has served in numerous leadership and chair positions. He has been Club President, Newsletter Editor for 12 years, Club Treasurer and Membership Chair. Thanks to Jim for all the dedication, leadership, hard work, and friendship he has provided Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis.



Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban

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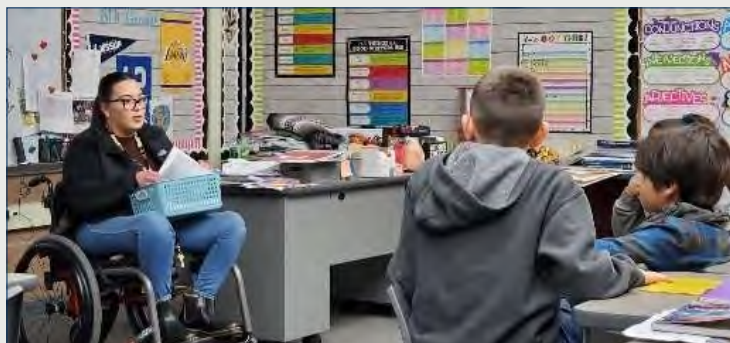
Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Ring that bell! Rich Kocher once again headed up this worthwhile project on Sat., Dec. 17th at the usual location of Raleys on Marconi and Watt Avenues. Great club support, as always, with each two member teams ringing for two-hour shifts: Tom & Fred, Jim M. & Bruce, Jim J. & Mike G., and Chris & Bernie closing it out. It's always very enlightening and uplifting to see those who donate and those who rush by without eye contact. Late breaking news. Donations were pouring in and the pot was full when Chris and Bernie handed it over Sat. pm. Lots of photos in the next Bulletin.



New Kiwanis K-Kids Club

Chris is happy to report that our new K-Kids Club is up and running. Together with Carmichael Kiwanis, we are co-sponsoring the new club at Cowan Elementary in the San Juan Unified School District. Chris attended their second meeting and was very impressed with the group of 4th -6th graders and their advisor, Ms. Holloway. They will be electing officers for the second trimester at their Dec. 22 meeting.



Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban

Contributed By Chris Creelman

Gift-A-Gift Program

Sac Suburban ensured that nine children without permanent housing would have gifts on Christmas morning! Through both the Youth Services Committee and individual member contributions, Pres. Caren had \$900 to spend on gifts from the children's wish lists supplied by the sponsoring organization, Francis House's Next Move Homeless Services. The Give-a-Gift Program is new to our club, but, hopefully, we'll continue to participate in this special program that aligns with both our club mission and our members' generous hearts. After reading about the project in the last bulletin, East Sac Kiwanis joined in and sponsored five children as well.



Caren, Sharon, and Bernie wrapped the children's gifts.



Bruce built a toddler's Spiderman bike.



Bernie and Next Move Program Manager Cynthia Laux stand next to the children's gifts donated by Sac Suburban.

Holiday Party Guests

We had four very important guests: Ruth Johnson, Helen McKelligon, Beverly Sanchez, and Nancy Wunschel.



Treasurer Jim received his official Div. 44 Club Hero Award from our president.

Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban

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Holiday Party



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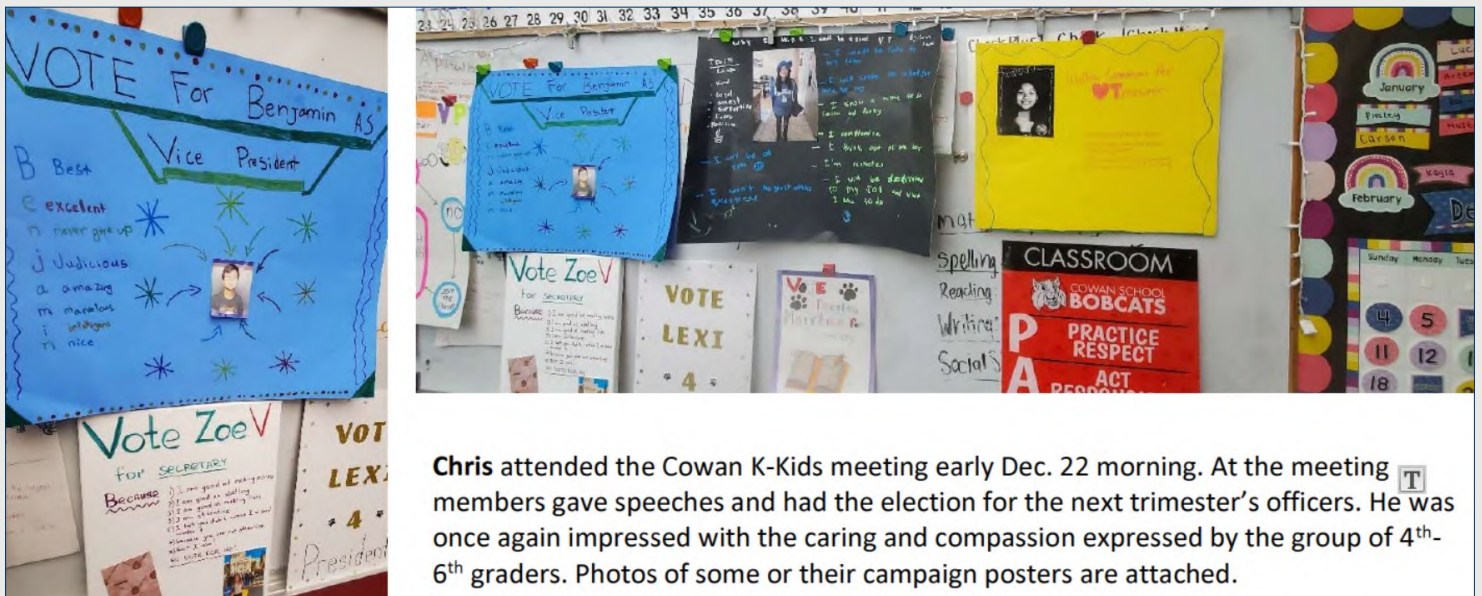
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Salvation Army Bell Ringing



This year's Salvation Army bell ringing elves did a fantastic job on Sat. December 17 at Raleys on Marconi Ave., filling the pot with \$726. Led by Santa Rich, the Elf Crew included Tom, Fred, Bruce, Jim M., Mike G., Jim J., Bernie and Chris

New Kiwanis K-Kids Club



Chris attended the Cowan K-Kids meeting early Dec. 22 morning. At the meeting **T** members gave speeches and had the election for the next trimester's officers. He was once again impressed with the caring and compassion expressed by the group of 4th-6th graders. Photos of some of their campaign posters are attached.

Chris attended the Bi-Monthly Cowan K-Kids meeting early Jan. 12 morning. It was a busy one. The officers were officially elected, and T-Shirts and Handbooks were distributed. The club is already busy planning their 1st project. It's fun to see their enthusiasm in giving back to their school and community.



Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban

Contributed By Chris Creelman

Kiwanis Knight at the Kings

A BIG WIN...for The Kings and Kiwanis Family House. On Monday 1/9, five Suburbanites joined over 90 other local Kiwanians in witnessing a record-breaking win by the Kings over the Orlando Magic. Caren and Bruce Lagomarsino, Tom Fleischmann, and Cody and Chris Creelman were there to see the Kings break their 3-point record, making 23 of the long shots, and win 136-111. Quite a few of us hung around after the game for the group photo on the court. The Beam was lit and \$1,330 was raised for KFHH. Great job Brian McLean from Roseville Kiwanis coordinating the event and Div. 44 in supporting our KFHH. Go Kings!



Kiwanis Club of Gold Country

Contributed By Jan & Mike Weaver

Gold Country Kiwanis volunteer at the Kare Crisis Nursery Santa's Shoppe

GC Kiwanis volunteered to assist the Kare Crisis Nursery's Santa's Shoppe on December 9th and 10th. There were over 150 volunteers from the community. This was a wonderful community event, where kids (ages 3-10) could buy low-cost gifts for family, friends, and pets. There were several wrapping stations to ensure that the children were prepared to put their gifts directly under the tree.

There were approximately 200 children, who took home more than 1,000 gifts to their family and friends. This was a memorable day for all and enabled children to experience the joy of giving this Christmas.



Salvation Army Bell Ringing

GC Kiwanis assisted the Salvation Army with bell ringers on Monday, December 12th at Raley's Supermarket.



Youth Protection Guidelines

Angela Nowlin giving the Gold Country Kiwanis their annual Youth Protection Guidelines on January 12th.



Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

Wayne Lang introducing our Service Project of prepping for upcoming Koobs event. Jody and Rebecca Corson cutting paper and cloth for Holiday at Koobs crafts projects.



New Member Induction:

Michael Koerner introduced and formally inducted three fantastic individuals as the newest members of the Kiwanis Club of Carmichael.

Charleen Baker: retired from Sutter Health, finance and cash management. Daughter Sara Sylvia and her husband Ronnie, with three grandkids. She's originally from Buellton.

Bradley Baker: retired General Contractor, estimator and project manager. Same kids and grandkids as his wife Charleen. Graduate of Garfield elementary and La Sierra High School. Served on board and led fundraisers for Point West Rotary.

Patty Hoffman: Retired from AT&T after 40+ years, finishing as Network supervisor for NorCal. She has two daughters (one a teacher with Visions, the other works for SMUD). She has one granddaughter!! Her husband Ed Ryan is in process of training Ronnie Sylvia. She is skilled at remodeling and design.

Please welcome these three new Kiwanis Club members!!



New Member Induction with Bradley Baker, Patty Hoffman, Charleen Baker and Membership Chairperson Mike Koerner

Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

Happy Birthday Linda Martin!!!



The San Juan Cozy Closet was a big hit with families. Clothes and more!



Armoni and Jackie help out at Project Optimism Kiwanis donated stuffies and \$300 for toys!!



*The Kiwanis Club of Carmichael made a donation to our organizational member **Project Optimism, Inc.** for their toy drive. They do their toy drive a little differently than most. They give kids a toy, but they also have a selection of toys the kids can choose from to give to a friend of family member in order to teach the children the joy of giving to others. The Kiwanis Club of Carmichael is so happy to be able to help them with this project.*

#kiwanisclubofcarmichaelcares. Pictured are Jackie Delu and Armoni Easley.

Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

Giving Tree Project Co-Chairs Len Ohlendorf and SMUD's Heidi Sanborn



Len delivered our program to give us an update on the Giving Tree Project. The idea for this project came to Len in April, 2020, while reading an article in Kiwanis Magazine on planting trees. He thought our club could start a project in tree planting, and the timing would help celebrate "the end of COVID by Fall". He was talking to Heidi Sanborn, to schedule a program about SMUD, and they began talking about trees. The Giving Tree Project Committee began and started making plans. The committee includes Len, Heidi, Linda M, Sharon, Mike, Wayne, Sheba, Donna, and Judee. This would be a good committee for some of our newer members to join! The goal was to plant trees at Cameron Ranch and Schweitzer elementary schools. Alas, COVID restrictions continued and the plans had to be postponed.

There was a successful tree planting at La Sierra Community Center (benefiting both CRPD and CMP School) of 9 trees in October 2021. In March 2022, 24 trees were planted at Larchmont Park. The third planting project was at Cameron Ranch Elementary, with 12 trees. We had 49 volunteers! Community Sponsors included the Sacramento Tree Foundation, CRPD staff, SJUSD M & O, SMUD, Coalition for Clean Air (two grants). We received a \$950 grant from Kiwanis Cal-Nevo-Ha District Foundation.

Our goal is two tree plantings in 2023. We need to be able to rent a more powerful auger to pre-dig holes, and we plan to distribute Giving Tree books to children. Pictured is Len Ohlendorf and Heidi Sanborn.

Kiwanis team pic from Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services' 29th annual Run to Feed the Hungry on Thanksgiving Day



Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

Wayne Lang presenting check to David Vanderbout, El Camino Madrigal Choir Director



The Kiwanis Club of Carmichael held our December 14th weekly meeting at the El Camino Performing Arts Center, and the El Camino Madrigal Choir performed holiday songs for us. They were fabulous (I'll post a video next). We then presented them with \$300 to be used for their program. #kiwanisclubofcarmichaelcares. Pictured is Wayne Lang presenting check to David Vanderbout, El Camino Madrigal Choir Director.

Fashion Show



Jenny's new shoes

Some of our members showed off new apparel they got for Christmas:

- *Jackie modeled her new Pelican hoodie.*
- *Wayne showed his Donald Duck hoodie.*
- *Jenny had rainbow-colored shoes (Pictured are Jenny's shoes).*
- *Mike sported a UC Santa Cruz Banana Slugs cap and a T-Shirt from * 8 Billion Tree Foundation to stand up for science.*
- *Len got new jeans!*

Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

See's Candies Sales Celebration with Willy Park



Willy Park looking great in this holiday suit at last week's meeting celebrating the end of our See's Candy Sales

Gail Cirata, Lt. Governor, Division 44 A Message of Support



Program Speaker was Gail Cirata our Lieutenant Governor Division 44. She proclaimed that our club goals were her goals. She is here to support us in our efforts to serve kids!! She said it is now encouraged to allow members to promote their business within Kiwanis members.



Gail Cirata presenting Distinguished Club Award to last years Co-Presidents Sharon Ruffner and Jackie Delu.

Kiwanis Club of Carmichael

Contributed By Mike Koerner

Hal Snow, Birthday Boy, Showing off his most recent contribution



Our Crab Feed Committee busy making sure our Crab Feed will be the best one ever!!



Opportunity Drawing



- 1) Wayne Reimer- Spin of the Wheel, landed on "Cheers" and will receive a bottle of Red Wine
- 2) Virginia Stone- Cut of the Cards. She drew a 7 of hearts and received \$7.00.

Kiwanis Club of Rancho Murieta

Contributed by Jack Siegel



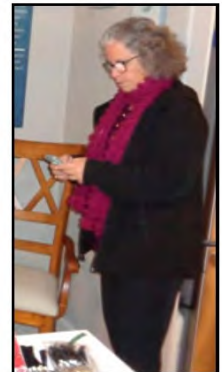
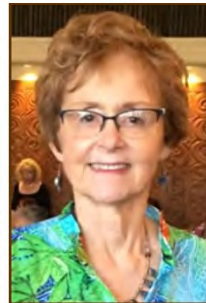
Presidents' Open House

President **Al Brown** and Past President **Bronwyn Anthony** are inviting all Kiwanians and their partners to a *Holiday Open House at Bronwyn's home 7440 Labranza Street (Rancho Murieta South).*

It is on Sunday December 18th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Take an appetizer or dessert to share.

Festive Holiday and Traditional Drinks will be served.



Kiwanis Club of Rancho Murieta

Contributed by Jack Siegel

CRES K-Kids Christmas Clothing Drive Elk Grove Food Bank

Our sponsored K-Kids Club sponsored Christmas Clothing Drive at Consumnes River Elementary School. It took two truck loads to transport the clothes to the Elk Grove Food Bank Services. There the staff distributes the garments to the deserving and needy clients.



Our sponsored Boy Scout Troop 633 conducted a Court of Honor. Two Eagle Scouts received the Eagle Rank. The recipients are picture between their parents above: **Joy Salo** (left); **Aaron Fong** (right).



Kiwanis Club of Rancho Murieta

Contributed by Jack Siegel

LATEST NEWS

From **Jeanette Edwards**: Our See's Candies fundraiser ended on Dec. 18th. Once again we sold out of candy before the final week. Our wrap up meeting will be this month. Our fundraiser was successful, the final figures are not in yet, but our foundation raised over \$8,000.

Thanks to everyone who worked the booths. Thanks to **Roger Brandt** and **Chuck Salmina** who set them up and took them down. Thanks to everyone who worked the booths and **Cookie Whalen** for recruiting the volunteer workers.



Kiwanis Club of Lincoln Foothills

Contributed By Frank & Patti Covey

K-Kids Invite Ukrainian Family to General Meeting

The C.C. Coppin Elementary School K-Kids invited a Ukraine Family, who escaped from a border town near Belarus during the first Russian invasion, to their General Meeting.

The K-Kids board voted on honoring the commitment they made last year to donate \$200 to supporting Ukraine families. Although the budget is tight, they all responded with resounding a "Yes"!

A mother of the Ukraine family of four children responded to a K-Kids Question: "What was it like living in Ukraine"?



She said that Life in Ukraine is very different. She could set out the children's school clothes and they could get ready and go to school on their own because it was a safe place to live. Cars drove slowly in the village and kids could walk on their own to the store or church safely. The family was very close, and she and her husband wanted the children to know about taking care of their fields, horses, chickens and pigs. Everything was different in Ukraine.

The family and their four children escaped the war by having a full tank of gas because they were all going to the dentist 30 miles away. Their escape route went to Poland, Germany, Cancun Mexico and crossed the border in Tijuana. They ended up in Loomis where the K-Kids teacher's brother gave the father a job. When the K-Kids president presented them with the \$200, the family had a little conversation amongst themselves and asked if it would be okay if they sent the money back to friends and family in Ukraine. The family said that they were comfortable here with a job, a place to live, and clothes and food. They said the money was most needed in Ukraine and the American dollar is worth more there. It was an incredible story and the K-Kids were beyond impressive with the way they handled the meeting and all the questions they asked.

OH MY!!! What a meeting on Tuesday! I hope you have had time to talk to your students about this inspiring and tender story this amazing family of four children ages 11, 6, 5 and 3 have experienced these last 10 months. Their escape from Ukraine hiding from tanks, trying to drive on a road that was now using all lanes to Poland with abandoned cars that had run out of gas. To flying to Cancun because that was the only way they could leave Poland. Then having all of their papers taken at the Mexico border. Staying at the border for one week and then finally arriving in the Sacramento Area with nothing but the clothes on their back. They shared all of the good people had done for them, which was hard, because in the Ukraine they always tried to help others and now they were receiving the help. Then they ending our meeting by asking if the money we gave them could be used for their families that are still in the war. We were all so touched.

Mr. Ron Smith, my brother, introduced the family and gave a little background and then the K-Kids asked questions. The questions these amazing, young students asked were mind boggling. How could these kiddos even have a clue about what this family had gone through. But their questions were thoughtful, kind, and really on the mark. The family was so impressed with our K-Kids! All of the adults present were astonished by these K-Kids! In the future we will be having a money drive to support Ukrainian families as one of our service projects this year.

Kiwanis Club of Lincoln Foothills
 Contributed By Frank & Patti Covey
Phoenix High School Thanksgiving Dinner



PHOENIX HIGH SCHOOL

Western Placer Unified School District

870 J Street
 Lincoln, California 95648
 November 23, 2022

(916) 645-6395

Happy Thanksgiving!

On behalf of Phoenix High School, I would like to thank the Kiwanis Club of Lincoln Foothills for helping provide a Thanksgiving event at our school this year. Through your generous donation, we were able to serve a traditional Thanksgiving meal to everyone, including students, parents, staff, and volunteers. This event required Key Club and Leadership students to collaborate and connect with Simple Pleasures restaurant in Lincoln, who prepared the food at cost.

The day of the event, Key Club and the Leadership class set up tables, decor they had made in class, and the catering line in our quad. Afterward, classes were dismissed early so that everyone could sit down to eat together before leaving school for the week long break. As they were eating, students were encouraged to write down what they were most thankful for and then hang their comments on a gratitude tree. We then recognized the value of gratitude through a staff member reading a poem she had prepared about what she was most thankful for at Phoenix High School. The meal was followed by time for everyone to play games that Key Club and Leadership students had organized such as cornhole, pingpong, board games, pickleball, and air hockey. (...several of which have been donated to us by your Kiwanis club.)

For our school, having an opportunity like this is an important learning experience for everyone. This was the first exposure to a catered meal by many of our student body. Being able to practice face to face conversation with one another over a good meal and then being able to participate in fun activities together leads to more acceptance and understanding. Developing a sense of belonging through events like the Thanksgiving meal will build students' intrinsic motivation and resilience to overcome past challenges they have faced in school.

Thank you to Kiwanis Club of Lincoln Foothills for making a difference in student success.

Sincerely,

Chuck Whitecotton

"Where caring leads to success in learning"

Division Inter-Club Meetings

Contributed By Michael Luciano

Inter-Club: An inter-club meeting is a meeting or activity staged by two or more Kiwanis family clubs including Division Council Meetings, Kiwanis Club, Circle K, Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids, Aktion Club, Conferences & Conventions.

The definition of an inter-club was expanded from simply attending another Kiwanis club meeting to include attending **Fundraisers, Projects, Activities and Social Events of another K-Family Club.**

The broadened definition promotes more opportunities for fellowship, education and encourages greater interaction between **Kiwanis Clubs and our Service Leadership Programs:**

- **Clubs with 20 or Fewer Members need a minimum of two members in attendance to constitute an Inter-Club Meeting.**
- **Clubs with 21-30 of three members need a minimum of three members attendance to constitute an Inter-Club Meeting.**
- **Clubs with 31 or More Members need a minimum of four members in attendance to constitute an Inter-Club Meeting.**

Visiting groups shall be composed of a minimum of two Kiwanians plus members of K-Kids, Builders Club, Aktion Club, Circle K, or Key Club must be in attendance. A Lieutenant Governor can only be included if they are a member of the participating club.

Inter-Clubbing is a means of supporting **Kiwanis' Fifth Object**, which is **"To provide, through this club, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build a better community"**.

Through the fellowship gained by inter-club activities, members learn how other clubs function, get to know their neighboring Kiwanians, develop new ideas and a broader interest in how Kiwanis operates, find new ideas for use in their own club, and become better Kiwanians.

Inter-Clubbing creates fun and strong fellowship.



Division Council Meeting (DCM)

Contributed By Gail Cirata

Date / Host Club

Monday, November 12, 2022 / Division 44 Lt. Governor's Installation
 Monday, October 10, 2022 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Citrus Heights
 Monday, November 14, 2022 / Club Host Key Club
 Monday, December 5, 2022 / Club Host Rancho Cordova
 Monday, January 9, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Lincoln
 Monday, February 13, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Gold Country
 Monday, March 13, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Lincoln Foothills
 Monday, April 10, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Folsom Lake
 Monday, May 8, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Sacramento Suburban
 Saturday, May 13, 2023 / CNH Governor's Visit / Sacramento
 Monday, June 12, 2023 / Club Host Kiwanis Club of Auburn
 No DCM in July - Subject to Change
 No DCM in August - Subject to Change

What

A meeting where members from the different clubs in Division 44 get together to share successes, plans and concerns. A time to honor our differences and celebrate our achievements.

When

The second Monday in October, November, December, January, February, March, April, May and June. We count the Lt. Governor Installation Dinner as a DCM. **No DCMs in July, August - Subject to Change.**

- All Meetings are on Zoom until further notice / 2nd Monday of Each Month: 5:30 PM

Who

- All members of our Kiwanis Family. New Kiwanis Members. Some Clubs require a DCM visit. Guests are always welcome.

Where

- Via Zoom - Until further Notice.



Division, District & International Calendar of Events & Activities

Kiwanis Division 44

2nd Monday

*Division Council Meetings - 5:30 PM Zoom Meeting Online
No DCMs in July, August - Subject to Change.*

February 18, 2023

*Regional Training Conference
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Sacramento, CA*

Kiwanis CNH District

January 28, 2023

*Kiwanis CNH Mid-Year North Conference
Monterey Conference Center
Monterey, CA*

August 10-12, 2023

*Kiwanis CNH District Education Convention
Nugget Casino Resort
Sparks, NV*

Kiwanis International

June 21-25, 2023

*Kiwanis International Convention
Minneapolis Convention Center
Minneapolis, MN*

Newsletters, Articles & Photos Submissions

e-Mail your Newsletters, Articles and Photos to Michael Luciano for publication by the last day of the month. Please include an Article Narrative and Names of People in the Photos.

Newsletter & Website Club Information

Club Officers, please review your Club Information Webpage and Newsletter Club Information Page for accuracy and submit Updates / Changes to Michael Luciano. Clubs are responsible for the accuracy of their Club Information.