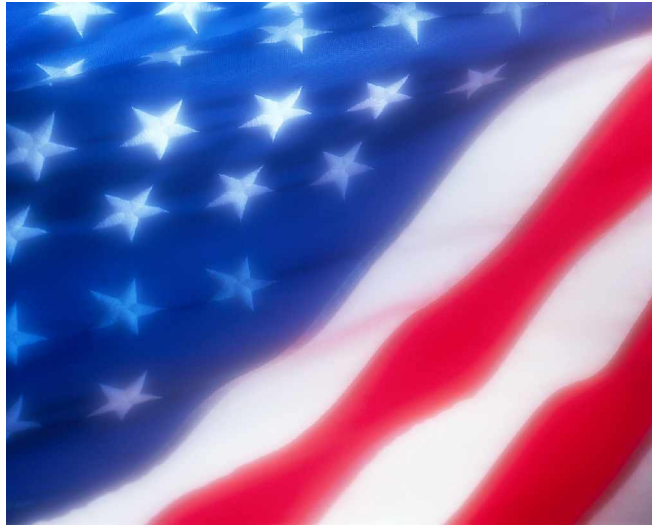


Kiwanis International
CAL-NEV-HA Division 35
PATRIOTISM BANNER PATCH
INFORMATION



THE NEED: As Kiwanis International clubs take on the challenge to diversify the membership of their club, more information is needed to educate members about American Patriotism. This is a special project for 2006-2007 initiated by Lt. Governor Rona Lunde.

Purpose: To increase the patriotic spirit of Kiwanis Club members within Division 35.

GOALS:

- To encourage more members to assist with voter registration and poll working.
- To encourage more members to vote.
- To help members understand the symbolic relevance of our national symbols and heroes.
- To educate members about historic facts related to American patriotism, freedom and liberty.
- To encourage members to think about patriotism for five minutes at each meeting.

How the program works.

Clubs will earn points toward their Patriotism Banner Patch based on various activities listed below. 150 points are necessary to receive a Patriotism Banner Patch. The Club President should appoint a "Club Patriot" to help promote the program. The Club Patriot and President will report their club's activities on a Patriotism Form and submit it by September 30, 2007 to qualify to receive a Patriotism Banner Patch. This project begins October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007.

Clubs who complete the required number of points ahead of this date will receive their patch immediately. Lt. Governor Rona is eager to have clubs finish in March so that their banner patch can be presented in April when the Governor visits the District.

To assist the Club Patriot, ten sample patriotic information lessons have been prepared to instruct the club in patriotism. Visit these web sites to create your own mini patriotic lessons: *patrioticon.org*; *eaglestock.com*, *infoplease.com* or *Google* your search. Lessons can be done on: the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, Memorial Day, the Declaration of Independence, How a bill is passed in Congress, the President's Cabinet, the Army Corps of Engineers, George Washington, Ben Franklin, Pearl Harbor Day, the Medal of Honor, MIAs and POWs, Battle Hymn of the Republic, the State of California flag, bird, flower.

WAYS TO EARN POINTS:

- Validate that three club members have assisted with voter registration.
- Validate that three club members have worked as precinct poll workers.

- Validate that 80% of club members eligible to vote, voted in a local, state, or national election.
- Donate flags or funds to secure new American flags for an entity in town that will fly it.
- Collect old flags and turn them over to the Boy Scouts for retirement.
- Assist with toy collection for families whose head of household is serving abroad in the military or lend financial assistance to the project.
- Write two patriotic articles either of historic fact or recount a club member's personal patriotic moment for the club's newsletter.
- Sing a patriotic song at every club meeting – two verses.
- Give a mini lesson on patriotism after the singing of a patriotic song. (Use booklet for inspiration/facts.)
- Schedule two club programs focused on some form of patriotism.
- Sponsor a patriotic art contest for the local schools and display the work in the local library.
- Assist with Constitution Week activities at your local school district.
- Participate in My Soldier email pen pal program.

Submit the form to: Lt. Governor Rona Lunde at div35ltg0607@aol.com or (626) 827-7092.

DIVISION 35 PATRIOTISM BANNER PATCH APPLICATION FORM

Club: _____

President: _____

Club Patriot: _____ Date: _____

We confirm that the following activities were completed to earn a Patriotic Banner Patch.

- ____ 1. (10 pts) Validate that three club members have assisted with voter registration.
- ____ 2. (10 pts) Validate that three club members have worked as precinct poll workers.
- ____ 3. (25 pts) Validate that 80% of club members eligible to vote, voted in a local, state, or national election.
- ____ 4. (15 pts) Donate flags or funds to secure new American flags for an entity in town that will fly them (at least 5).
- ____ 5. (15 pts) Collect old flags and turn them over to the Boy Scouts for retirement.
- ____ 6. (30 pts.) Assist with toy collection for families whose head of household is serving abroad in the military or lend financial assistance to the project.
- ____ 7. (10 pts per article) Write two patriotic articles either of historic fact or personal member remembrance for the club's newsletter.
- ____ 8. (2 pts. per week songs are sung) Sing a patriotic song at every club meeting – two verses.
- ____ 9. (5 pts per lesson) Give a mini lesson on patriotism after the singing of a patriotic song. (Use booklet for inspiration/facts or do your own research.)
- ____ 10. (25 pts per program) Schedule two club programs focused on some form of patriotism.
- ____ 11. (50 pts) Sponsor a patriotic art contest for the local schools and display the work in the local library.
- ____ 12. (30 pts) Assist with Constitution Week activities at your local school district.
- ____ 13. (25) Participate in My Soldier email pen pal program by sending messages to at least 10 soldiers.
- ____ 14. (5pts per soldier) Invite soldiers to a club meeting and recognize and thank them during the meeting.
- ____ 15. Other, special projects as determined by the club may qualify for points. Check with Lt. Governor Lunde BEFORE initiating a project if you would like it considered for this banner patch program.