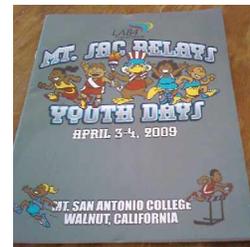


## **KIWANIS ONE DAY PROJECT – CAL-NEV-HA Division 35**

On April 3 & 4, 2009, the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual LA84-Foundation Mt. SAC Relays Youth Days were held at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, California. Over 6,000 kids, from grades 3 to 8 came from all over Southern California to compete in track and field events. They flocked in from as far away as Calexico and Santa Maria. This was offered to the Division 35 Clubs and SLP who did not have their own Kiwanis One Day Projects.



Everyone who volunteered at the LA84 Foundation-Mt. SAC Youth Days in the Souvenir Booth gets a great big thank you from Don Ruh, the coordinator for the entire event and founding member of the Walnut Valley Kiwanis Club. Mr. Ruh stated, "To all you loyal Walnut Valley, West Covina, La Puente Industry, and Hacienda Heights Clubs Kiwanian-Volunteers, -- A BIG THANK YOU for again providing all the souvenirs to the estimated 6,000 boys and girls attending. Your organization and efficiency in moving through so many youth so quickly was superb (maybe your best ever, but that's hard to tell with your "previous track record"). We heard many compliments about the 2 days of competition, and obviously, all of you deserve to share these good words spoken by teachers, coaches, and



parents of the young athletes involved.

"We sent Sam the Eagle up to you on Saturday in hopes you all might have been able to have some pictures taken with him.



"Please pass on to all involved, the LA84 Foundation's and Mt. SAC's sincere appreciation for the Kiwanis Spirit demonstrated (again) at our 24th annual event. You all were great !!!!!!"

In addition, this does not address the fantastic contributions by the members of the Key Clubs & Mt. SAC Circle K on the field with the competitors. Since we didn't get a list of all the clubs or the



names of the participants from these clubs, we cannot identify them individually, but the "thank you" is extended to all volunteers, without whom this event could not occur.

The LA84 Foundation was created from the profits generated by the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. Their goal is to promote track and field excellence, sports fair play and learning in youth. The Youth Days Track Meet introduces the sport of track and field in a fun filled day of competition at Mt. SAC. The focus at Mt. SAC Youth Days is on children in grades 3 through 8. Mt. San Antonio College, in Walnut, CA, is the premier community college in Southern California and has been the leader in Youth Track and Field events for at least the last 24 years. The Kiwanis Club of Walnut Valley has been a part of the Youth Days since its inception.



