



Race to Service Race to Membership

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Spread the word (Membership Matters)

Kiwanis International has stated that their membership has been declining at a rate of 16% per year, and that the average age of a Kiwanis member is 57.

(It is nice to know that many of us are above average). Bring a guest to a meeting or to a project; they may like us and want to serve with us.

One of the simplest, most effective ways to build a club's membership is by word of mouth. Here's why:

- Enthusiasm. Personal conversations can be more passionate than fliers, brochures and e-mails.
- The full story. Face to face, you're able to delve deeply into your favorite topic: your Kiwanis club.
- Sincerity. When you're chatting informally, there's no need to oversell. Your passion for your club will help seal the deal.
- Personal touch. When you take the time to talk to prospective members, they feel important, wanted.

So, encourage your fellow members to find opportunities to spread the word about your club and Kiwanis, whether they are at home, work or play. And tell them that Kiwanis International's "Elevator Speech" can help them craft their very own Kiwanis story.

Question: How is your recruiting going? We meet people all the time and exchange business cards in the course of our lives. Why not invite them to one of your meetings? Better yet, you could invite them to a service project where they can see our Kiwanis spirit in action!

Just a thought: Do you have a brochure that tells prospective members what your Club is all about? If not, there's a template at www.kiwanisone.org to use. If not that one, I urge you to look at the Glendora Kiwanis "brochure/flyer" on the Division website. Go to: www.cnhdiv35.org; the "Division 35 News page".

We just had the first Regional Training Conference and Governor's Visit, which was a very enlightening event. See the article on page 6.

We have the **Mid Year Conference** this month end. Please view the article on the next column. Hope to see you there! Your LTG, Dave Wallach

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

CLUB & DIVISION EVENTS

The Cal-Nev-Ha Mid-Year Conference South is here! (February 28, 2009)

If you haven't already registered your club or yourself by now, you need to print the form, complete it, and bring it with you to: Town and Country Resort & Convention Center, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108.

Be sure to Contact the District Office to verify that you may register late! For more information on the Mid-Year Conferences, please visit the District website at www.cnhkiwanis.org then go to the Conventions tab and go to Mid-Year Conference Mid-Year Conference South.

The website contains conference registration forms as well as the tentative agenda. (If you're planning an overnight stay, you may have to pay the going rate and not the convention rate; or book a different hotel at this time. The deadline was Feb 6th.) Please visit the website soon and keep checking back as more information will be posted. (Each club secretary has received conference information via snail mail.)

This one-day conference will be packed with valuable information to help your club provide more service to our communities and enrich our club members' experience! You won't want to miss it!

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Glendora Kiwaniannes News

February 12: Kiwaniannes hosted their annual Valentine Dinner for Seniors at Glendora Gardens.

February 26: Artist In Residence Grants students present "Doo Wop Wed Widing Hood"

March 14 – Day At The Races

March 28: Great Trivia Challenge

When the Kiwaniannes aren't doing a "big" project, ongoing projects include collecting: ●Used ink cartridges ●Used eyeglasses ●Used cell phones ●Pull tabs from aluminum cans ●Hotel or travel size shampoos, conditioners, lotions and soap. Anyone attending the DCM can bring these items to them, or interclub and bring them then!

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Monrovia Kiwanis Club News

March 5: The monthly MONROVIA READS. "Nothing makes you feel like the King/Queen of the World more than reading to a class of kids hanging on to your every word."

Relay For Life 2009 – Division 35

Another Club has just signed up for Relays -- Is Your Club Part of the Solution?

Monrovia	April 18-19, 2009
Hacienda Heights	May 2-3, 2009
La Puente	May 16-17, 2009
West Covina	May 16-17, 2009
Diamond Bar	June 6-7, 2009
Glendora	June 13-14, 2009
Arcadia	June 13-14, 2009
Walnut	June 27-28, 2009



Proceeds from the Walk support research towards a cure, cancer education, patient and family support services, and advocacy. We need everyone's help in the fight against cancer.

Thanks to Debbie Deal, Div 35 Relay for Life Chair & Immediate Past President of the Glendora Kiwanianne.

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Walnut Valley Kiwanis Club News

1. Walnut Valley is sponsoring the current Diamond Bar H. S. Key Club President for Miss Diamond Bar 2009.
2. The John A. Rowland H.S. Key Club is planning their Charter Night. Look for more information later.
3. The Mt. SAC Circle K will be celebrating their re-instatement. Look for more information later.
4. March 14 (Sat) the Club will have a Social with Dinner & then attend "Puttin' On the Hits" at Mt. SAC. It is a fundraiser for Mt. SAC scholarships.
5. April 3-4 (Fri-Sat) the Club will handle the participants' Souvenir Booth at Mt. SAC Youth Days for the 24th year. This will be their Kiwanis One Day Project, serving about 7,000 youth.
6. April 6 (Mon) the Club will host the combine Key Club Officers Installations of Walnut, Diamond Bar & Ayala High Schools that evening at the Diamond Bar Center. The Key Clubs will also have a dance, with guest Key Clubs from (so far) John A. Rowland & Nogales High Schools.
7. May 7 (Thurs) the 40th Annual Chapman Awards will be held, presenting 90 plaques & 8 scholarships to graduating seniors from 7 high schools.
8. May 11 (Mon) the 21st Annual Golf Classic will be held at Via Verde Country Club, in conjunction with the Walnut/Diamond Bar/Rowland Sheriff's Boosters.

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Exercise your heart

By Don Canaday, President, Kiwanis International

During February, we celebrate Valentine's Day, a day for sweethearts. Kiwanians have hearts too—hearts big enough to share.

This month, I encourage you to seek out those men and women who have Kiwanis hearts—potential members who are willing to share their time, their talents, their gifts with children—at home and around the world.

Invite a friend, business associate or even a stranger to a meeting, or invite them to take part in one of your club's service projects where they can witness the Kiwanis heart in action, or put their own into service and feel the blessings we feel every day.

This month, it's all about the heart. I encourage you to put yours to work for the children in your community and elsewhere, and to look for those like you who have much to give, to share, to help make the world a better place for children, and for all of us.

Please exercise your Kiwanis heart. Keep it strong and beating for the children.

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These bumper stickers have been spotted on some boomers' cars recently:

"I must be getting older...all the names in my phonebook end with M.D."

"I'm not old...I'm chronologically gifted"

"It ain't the age, it's the darn mileage"

"Support bingo - keep grandma off the streets"

"When did my wild oats...turn to prunes and bran?"

"Retirement...twice as much husband, half as much money"

"My wife always gives sound advice...99% sound, 1% advice"

"Insufficient memory at this time"

"I asked my wife if old men wear boxers or briefs. She said Depends."



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KEY CLUB News

SLP News

• Key Clubs:

1. Saturday, February 21st 8 AM—2 PM
PLEASE Volunteer to Chaperone
Key Club Divs. 35 E & 35W Conclave (Plus
Divs. 10 & 15)
South Coast AQMD
21865 E Copley Dr, Diamond Bar 91765

2. Date to be announced: The Charter Night for John A. Rowland H.S. Key Club

3. Bonita H.S. Key Club:

The Bonita Key Clubbers had an amazing time volunteering for their community's "Winter Wonderland".

This is a special one day event that brings the spirit of Christmas to all children in attendance. At the event, there were several fun activities to enjoy such as making Christmas necklaces and masks. The most exciting thing for all the California boys and girls was the snow brought down straight from the mountains so they could have an authentic Christmas experience! The children were able to use sleds to slide down the snow covered hills and enjoyed creating anything they could out of the icy substance. Throughout the hours the boys and girls laughed and played while making snowballs and angels. The cherry on top of the whole event was having Santa Claus there taking pictures with each and every guest! The community children had a blast, but the Bonita High School Key Club volunteers seemed to have an even greater time! When asked what their favorite event was, a large majority of them answer "Winter Wonderland"! This was because of the immense joy everyone felt playing with the children. Some lucky Key Clubbers even got to play dress up and wear Christmas costumes which included a snowman



and a reindeer! Even though the event only lasted a few short hours, the memory of the fun that was experienced that day will last the children, as well as our own Key Clubbers, a lifetime.

Debbie Deal and Debbie Schmidt, Sponsored Youth Chairmen, Glendora Kiwanians

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• Builders Clubs:

Orange Grove Middle School, Blankets of Love Project, 2/6/09

Reported by Lon Salgren

We had snacks or chips, cookies, pizza and soda, then got to work on making the fleece blankets. Some of the kids had already pre-cut and prepped many of the blankets we'd be assembling. It made the job go much quicker. To prep for making a blanket, two fleece pieces are placed back-to-back. The edges are trimmed to remove the selvedge and properly size them. Next a small roughly 3" by 3" square is cut out from each corner. That piece is then used as a template to cut 3" slits equally spaced all around the blanket. Then you go back and cut another slit between those you just cut. Now those are folded over and a small slit is cut at the fold mark. The material is then unfolded and poked through that slit from the backside. This is what creates the edging that looks as if it



was tied. We were able to assemble roughly 27 blankets by 5 PM when we stopped. Several students took blankets home to make over the weekend. Their original goal was 27 blankets. But they were given more material. Their new goal is to produce 60 blankets. Way to go Builders Clubbers! Thanks to everyone that come out to support and help with the project.



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Glendora Kiwanis Club

February 20 (Friday): "Snow Day" in Glendora. The Kiwanis Club will have two shifts between 3 pm and 8 pm. "It is a fun time, and an opportunity to serve the kids."

April 11 (Sat.): Eggstravaganza - Easter Egg Hunt at Finkbiner Park.

April 16: A Banquet honoring Club Member Diane Norman and her significant other, Gordie (right), who have been chosen as the **2008 Glendora Citizens of the Year**. The Club is so proud, as they nominated them (along with the Rotary Club!). "It's a wonderful honor for them and long overdue!...This is the 61st Citizen of the Year, and Diane is the 30th Glendora Kiwanis member to receive this award!"



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South Hills Kiwanis One Day 2009

By Michael Tanaka, DDS

The Kiwanis One Day Project for the South Hills Kiwanians is to volunteer their services for the Give Kids A Smile ("GKAS") dental screening campaign which is in effect in the months of February and March

GKAS is a nationwide volunteer program which encourages dentists to perform free dental screenings for elementary school children.

For the past three years, South Hills members and spouses have been working with the dentists of the San Gabriel Valley Dental Society, and the dental-assisting students of the Citrus College Dental Assisting Program.

The Order of the Day is very simple. The kindergartners assemble – class by class- in the cafeteria; the dentist screens each child using a mouth mirror and a flashlight; the Kiwanian records the dental findings; and the Citrus Dental Assistant student demonstrates good tooth brushing habits and shares good snack food choices. The goal of the program is to educate the child and family on the importance of good dental hygiene, good snack food choices, and on the necessity of follow up dental care.



Last year nine South Hills Kiwanians helped eighteen dentists screen 1,748 kindergartens of the Covina Valley, Charter Oak, and West Covina Unified School Districts- all within four days! Sadly

one out of three children had at least one cavity in their teeth.

Special thanks need to be expressed to the School Districts' staff and school nurses for coordinating permission forms with all the families, for preparing the screening areas materiel, and for compiling all the findings.



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Additional bumper stickers spotted on some boomers' cars recently:

"I'm so old, I don't buy green bananas!"

"You know you're getting old when you throw a wild party and the neighbors don't even realize it"

"I'm so old that whenever I eat out, they ask me for money up front!"

"I was always told to respect my elders. Now I don't have anyone to respect"

"At my age, everything comes with a lifetime guarantee"

Interclub Opportunity with the Walnut Valley Kiwanis Club – Learn about the new NFL Football Stadium

Walnut Valley is hosting Majestic Realty this week at their meeting on Friday, Feb 20. They are the driving force behind the football stadium to be built in City of Industry. Please call and let us know you're coming. Leave a message at (909) 629-2388. We meet at 7 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 21725 Gateway Center Dr, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

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More Information to
Follow

Div 35 "Kiwanis One Day" Event: MT. SAC YOUTH DAYS

Our Nation's premier track and field youth meet kicks off America's largest and best international track and field meet

The 51st Annual Mt. SAC Relays Youth Days

A non-profit Olympic Development event

Supported by The LA84 Foundation and Mt. San Antonio College

Friday, April 3, 2009: Junior/Middle School Division

Saturday, April 4, 2009: Elementary School Division

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DOES YOUR CLUB NEED A PROGRAM?

Below is Sara Kreimer's message to us regarding the Zappe pre-school program. She has a great program. (Walnut Valley Kiwanis would like to interclub at the meeting where she addresses your club.)

When she addressed the Walnut Valley Club, she told us in her program, "You were the ones to teach me about saving and serving the children of the world."

Her email address is kreimer@usc.edu.

"I hope this e-mail finds you well. My name is Sara Kreimer and I am an alumnus and Past President of the Diamond Bar High School Key Club. I am currently a second year medical student at the USC Keck School of Medicine. This summer I had the tremendous opportunity to work in a medical clinic in Shirati, Tanzania, a small village on the shore of Lake Victoria. During those two weeks I learned a great deal about medicine, but more importantly, I learned a great deal about myself and the kind of person I would like to become. I had the pleasure of meeting a man, Mr. Jo Magatti, who reached into his own pocket to build a school for the children of Shirati so that they could receive the beginnings of an education. I am reaching out to you now because of what I learned as a Key Clubber. You taught me, with all of our Relays for Life, Special Olympics, Paint the Towns, and UNICEF fundraisers, that when we are in a position to help, we have a responsibility to our fellow human beings to do so. I am currently raising money for this school to sponsor 25 orphans who would otherwise not be able to attend. If I could speak on their behalf in front of your membership at one of your Club meetings, I think you too would understand their dire need. Thank you so much for your time and consideration. I greatly appreciate it and I look forward to hearing from you soon."

Sara Kreimer
MS II
Keck School of Medicine

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El Monte Kiwanis Club

March 26 (Friday): This year's Texas Hold Em' Tourney will be held at the Grace Black Auditorium.

April 18 (Sat): A paint-o-rama will occur at the Senior Center in El Monte. They will be painting doors and door jambs, no walls or ceilings. There are a total of 22 doors and jambs that need a new face and they anticipate doing a thorough job in about 1-1/2 hours.

May 15 (Friday): Kiwanis Golf Tournament. "Our biggest fundraiser!"

Feb. 12 Membership Event: The El Monte Club now has a once-a-month breakfast meeting (in addition to their Thursday noon meetings), and on "seven new members were inducted at the morning's Kiwanis meeting held at the News Café. This assortment of local educators and school affiliates show promising signs of bringing great new early morning energy into this club. After explaining our 'bell napping' rules, President Ken noticed that one member proceeded to walk out with the bell in plain sight."

Special Notice: Just a warning: "Speaking of taking stuff our president would like us to start 'collecting' things from the interclubs we attend; bells, banners, gavels, toy race cars, songbooks, sugar packets, whatever we can get our grubby little hands on. Part of the reason for attending interclubs is to see how other clubs operate...they need to know how we operate too."

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Hacienda Heights Kiwanis Club

February 21 (Sat): Monthly Adopt-a-Highway service project, where Key Club, Kiwins, and Builders Club join Kiwanis to clean up the street.

April 25-April 26 – Hacienda Heights Relay for Life

May 3 (Sunday) Ribfest Scholarship Dinner at Industry Expo Center

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Kiwanis Division 10, 15 & 35

Regional Training and Cal-Nev-Ha District Governor's visit

Our Division 35 LTG Dave Wallach and 29 other members of Division 35 participated in the Regional training that took place at the Doubletree hotel in Claremont on Feb 7.

We exchanged some great ideas for improving our clubs and increasing our membership. Three training sessions took place, all pertaining to membership and improvement of the weekly club meetings. We had an opportunity to meet with our Cal-Nev-Ha Governor Dan Connolly and his wife Cheryl.



What Do You Mean "Interclubbing"?

By Kiwanianne Jo Cox

What is the best way to find out what is going on in the world.....or at the very least, Division 35 Kiwanis?

Well, it's all about "clubbing." Just go from Club to Club and gather all the information about what the other clubs in our division are up to. So far, we've been pretty busy, and we began the new year with 3 interclubs in January!

On January 16th, at the crack of dawn, we drove to Walnut Valley to attend their breakfast meeting, where we were greeted by President Richard Malooly. Their program was terrific and we were introduced to Mr. Eric Latham, a young man who walked from his home state of North Carolina across the United States to California for Cancer Research. He was very inspiring and introduced us to a book he had written about his experience.

On January 20th, our second interclub was at Duarte. Their current president, Diane Hernandez, was not present that day. She was in Washington D.C. attending the Inauguration of our new President, Barack Obama. It was a lovely lunch, and their program highlighted the future of the local schools and some of the problems that they may face in the upcoming years.

Our third interclub was on Tuesday, January 27. We visited the West Covina Kiwanis Club at their breakfast meeting (yes, we woke up at the crack of dawn *again*). We were greeted by their President, Denise Patton, where we sat down and had a wonderful breakfast. Of course, their program for the day was about the risk of strokes.....and we were enjoying our huge egg omelets while we listened to the speaker talk about what to look for that may be an early sign of having a stroke. Sooo, we discretely pushed our eggs away from us (*not really*).

All in all, it was great fun! Is this what people mean when they say they go "clubbing"? ☺

[Editors Note: On the flip side of this coin, in January the Kiwanianes had interclubs "clubbing" with them from South Hills Covina and Hacienda Heights; Immediate Past LTG Mike Tanaka, and current LTG Dave Wallach joined their Clubs to interclub that day.]

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