



# KIWANI FACTS

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## SMUSD HAS EARNED BRAGGING RIGHTS *Potential School Bond Needs Community Support*

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### KIWANIS CLUB OF SAN MARCOS, CA

**MORNING MEETINGS**  
7:15 am on the **SECOND**  
Friday of the month  
Pat & Oscar's  
137 S. Las Posas, #153

**EVENING MEETINGS**  
6:00 pm on the **LAST**  
Thursday of the month  
Old Spaghetti Factory  
111 N. Twin Oaks Valley  
Road

Our Speaker this week was **San Marcos Unified School District Superintendent Kevin Holt** and he brought good news...and news of how we can help our kids continue achieving to their fullest potential. The SMUSD currently serves over 18,000 children and each and every teacher and district employee is united in their dedication to the district mission statement which says, in part, "All students challenged, inspired, poised to excel!"



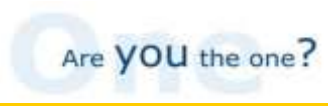
The good news - certainly worth bragging about - is that for the third consecutive year, our students, at all grade levels, have achieved above and beyond the previous year. District-wide, our API score stands at 836, a 26-point increase over our 2008 score.

According to the Superintendent's message on the SMUSD website: "In comparison, statewide, only 42 percent of all California schools have reached the API target of 800. Here in San Marcos, 10 of our 11 elementary schools have surpassed this benchmark, as have two of our three middle schools and both of our comprehensive high schools. In San Diego County there are 63 high schools and only 15 have surpassed the State's API benchmark of 800. I am proud to say that both Mission Hills High School and San Marcos High School are in the top 15. The *North County Times* recently reported that our district showed the **greatest gains** in the States Standardized test scores of **all districts in North County.**"

Kevin explained that the school district is focused on preparing students for 21st century skills and careers. To achieve that, our schools offer the internships and career programs specific to engineering, technology, fire science, criminal justice, health, culinary arts, media arts, and Air Force ROTC.

The district is also very proud of the P.A.C.E. and GEAR-UP programs. The P.A.C.E. program (Partners Advancing College Education) guarantees admission to CSUSM if students meet the academic requirements. They hope to have a fully funded endowment to offset tuition. The GEAR-UP program (Gaining Early

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UPCOMING DATES

June 19 10 am to noon	<b>KIDZWATCH ACADEMY - Fire Safety week at the Fire Training Center</b>  182 Santar Place
June 24-26	<b>Kiwanis Int'l Convention</b> Las Vegas, NV 
June 26 10 am to noon	<b>KIDZWATCH ACADEMY - Tour of the Sheriff's Station, Astrea and how to call 911</b>  182 Santar Place
July 4	  Federal Holiday is Monday July 5th
July 9 7:15 am	<b>Guest Speakers Jeffrey Sitcov and Joanie Ewing with Photocharity.org</b> about their program for homeless teens
July 10 10 am to noon	<b>KIDZWATCH ACADEMY - Safe Escapes</b>  3 Civic Center Dr - Theatre Room

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Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) partners with Palomar College to help students focus on college at an early age.

To continue this outstanding achievement, our school district must continue to provide quality facilities for our children and teachers. And this is where community support is needed. With the State of CA raiding school funds on a regular basis (\$10 million in the past 2 years), SMUSD is considering a potential Bond Measure to help meet these challenges:

- Student safety
- Aging schools: many are over 40 years old; need basic repairs and upgrades
- Continuing with technology upgrades to support 21st-century skills and global competitiveness
- Growing enrollment will lead to overcrowded schools if nothing is done
- Ensuring local schools continue to support property values by offering quality educational programs supported by up-to-date facilities

Before asking the community to support this bond measure, SMUSD has tightened their belts to the max... our district has the second lowest administrative budget in San Diego County. They've also negotiated with teachers and district personnel (without strikes or protests) to maximize the budget without jeopardizing student success.

To learn more about the bond, go to the district website [www.smusd.org](http://www.smusd.org) or [click here](#).

**REMINDER:**  
We will only have two meetings in June

**July 9**  
(7:15 am at Pat & Oscars)

**WED July 28**  
(6:00 pm at the Old Spaghetti Factory).

The third and final reading of the nominations for the **2010-2011 Officers and Board of Directors** will be done at the July 9th meeting.



**Voting will be done immediately after the reading** and as the saying goes, "If you're not part of the process, you're part of the problem."

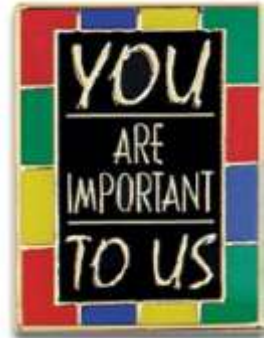
**Be there to say your "yea" or "nay" or forever hold your peace....amen.**

JULY 9 SPEAKER

President Troy has picked a winner for this week! Our **Guest Speakers Jeffrey Sitcov and Joanie Ewing** with **Photocharity.org** will talk about their program for homeless teens in San Diego County.

Over the past nine years, **Photocharity** has raised over \$1.5M to save homeless youth due mostly to their wonderful and generous corporate sponsors and donors. Funds raised are donated to the **San Diego Youth Services' Storefront emergency shelter**, providing things like breakfast for one year, weekly anger management classes, after-school expressive arts and music programs, a full-time independent living skills instructor, case manager, outreach director and more.

This promises to be a most interesting presentation that you won't want to miss!



THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER...



Our **9th Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony** is set for 6:30

on **MONDAY, June 14th** at Walnut Grove Park. We have close to 1,000 flags to retire and expect a great public turnout. Hope to see you all there!



Our **11th Annual KIDZWATCH Academy** starts on Saturday, June 19th from 10 am till noon with **Fire Safety** as the first topic. We'll meet at the San Marcos Fire Department Training Center at 182 Santar Place. The second week, on Saturday, June 26th, will meet at the **Sheriff's Station** (same address - one building over) and focus on what our Deputies do and how to call 911 in an emergency. **There will not be a meeting on July 3rd** due to the 4th of July holiday but classes will resume on July 10th. All Kiwanians are welcome to attend the weekly classes and **we'll need all hands on deck on July 24th** when we set up the **Kiwanis Mini City**

built by well-loved and missed Kiwanian **Dennis Hoehn.**



**Capt'n Book & Crew Anchored at Joli Ann Leichtag Elementary on June 11th**

This year was the first year that Joli Ann Elementary School joined our **Reading Treasure Chest Early Literacy Program** when we delivered books there in December. We were invited back to participate in their Open House event in the spring and it was with great pleasure that **Capt'n Book** accepted an invitation from the teachers to return for their end of the year awards ceremony. **First Mate Carrie** created a Capt'n Book certificate recognizing the **"great and magnificent deed indeed!"** accomplished by the kindergarteners who had read 100 books during the school year. When the carrier pigeon who delivered the class lists neglected to include one class, **First Mate Carrie** returned the next Monday to explain that **Capt'n Book** had sailed to ARRRgentina over the weekend where he stopped for lunch at ARRRby's and couldn't be there because the ship was "becalmed" but that the Capt'n sent their awards with his First Mate who had stayed behind. Happy Mates all!

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Interested in assisting on a committee? Have an idea to share? Contact the following Kiwanians:

Committee	Kiwanian
Community Service	Darrell Gentry
Membership Growth	Kate Kovrig
InterClub	Clarke Vollbrecht
Human and Spiritual Values	Luci Rowe
Children's Hospital - MMQ	Anna Fleming
Club Photographer	Wes Rhine
Publicity/Public Relations	Carrie Clevers
Young Children Priority One	Carrie Clevers
Sponsored Leadership Programs	Troy Shields
Aktion Club	Dorothy Shubin
Circle K	Leo Melena & Olga Ramirez
Key Club	Anna Fleming & Troy Shields
Early Literacy	Glen Winn
Seniors Priority Two	Neill Kovrig
Scholarships	Kate Kovrig



### 5 HEAD TO INT'L CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS

In this case, what happens in Vegas will not stay in Vegas!

This year's Kiwanis International Convention will be held in "sin city" and the Kiwanis Club of San Marcos will be proudly represented by **President Troy Shields, Club Treasurer Lynn Murphy, Secretary Betty Parker, Past President Kate Kovrig,** and soon-to-be **1st Vice President Neill Kovrig.**

Being the dedicated Kiwanians that they are, their focus will be to gather as much info for our club as possible and they'll fight the urge to gamble, drink & party hearty...at least a little bit!

Watch for our Special Convention Edition of the KiwanisFacts coming soon!



### THE OBJECTS OF KI WANIS

- 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**, through 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.

### DATES TO CELEBRATE

- June 8 John Paris
- June 10 Mary Limoges
- June 25 George Mickle
- June 21 Leo and Salley Melena
- June 23 Jim and Kerri Desmond
- June 1, 1984 Kevin McCormick
- June 6, 2003 Anna Fleming
- June 7, 2002 Jim Desmond
- June 9, 2006 Glen Winn
- June 23, 1989 Steve Kildoo



## KIWANIS CLUB OF SAN MARCOS ROSTER

### OFFICERS 2009-2010

Troy Shields, President  
 Leo Melena, 1st Vice President & President Elect  
 Dorothy Shubin, 2nd Vice President  
 Kate Kovrig, Immediate Past President  
 Lynn Murphy, Club Treasurer  
 Felipe Garcia, Foundation Treasurer  
 Betty Parker, Secretary

### MEMBERSHIP

Linda Allen  
 Kara Aniya  
 Carrie Clevers  
 Jim Desmond  
 Steve Kildoo  
 Ling Koong  
 Neill Kovrig  
 Mary Limoges  
 Stacie Marotta  
 Kevin McCormick  
 George Mickle  
 Alice Munoz-Aniya  
 Olga Ramirez  
 Roberto Ramirez  
 Wes Rhine

Luci Rowe  
 John Smylie  
 Clarke Vollbrecht  
 Terri Williams  
 Glen Winn

### FRIENDS OF KIWANIS

Clarice Barthel  
 Lynnette Bordeaux  
 Kathy Kildoo  
 Kathy Rhine



### DIRECTORS

Anna Fleming  
 Darrell Gentry  
 Steve Hall  
 Catherine Paris

## DIVISION 37 CLUBS MEET

### MONDAY

**RANCHO PENASQUITOS**  
 1st & 3rd Monday 7:00 pm,  
 Mount Carmel Church of  
 the Nazarene 10060 Carmel  
 Mountain Road San Diego

### TUESDAY

**CARLSBAD**  
 Tuesday 7:15 am,  
 The Crossings  
 5800 The Crossings Drive  
 Carlsbad

**HIDDEN VALLEY**  
 Tuesday 7 am,  
 Cocina Del Charro,  
 525 N. Quince Street  
 Escondido

**LAKE SAN MARCOS**  
 Tuesday 11:30 am  
 LSM Recreation Hall  
 1023 La Bonita Drive  
 Lake San Marcos

**OCEANSIDE**  
 Tuesday 12:10 pm  
 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 pm  
 Jolly Roger's Restaurant  
 1900 Harbor Drive North  
 Oceanside

### VISTA GOLDEN K

Tuesday 8:30 am  
 Picket Fence Restaurant  
 945 South Santa Fe Ave  
 Vista EXCEPT  
 1st Tuesday at 9 am, All  
 Saints Church in Vista

### WEDNESDAY

**FALLBROOK**  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 5 pm  
 Hukilau Restaurant  
 Fallbrook Country Club  
 2757 Gird Road, Fallbrook

**GREATER ENCINITAS**  
 Wednesday 7:15 am  
 Co Co's Restaurant  
 407 Encinitas Blvd.  
 Encinitas

**OCEANSIDE PACIFIC**  
 Wednesday 7 am  
 Home Town Buffet  
 491 College Blvd., Ocean-  
 side

**RANCHO BERNARDO**  
 Wednesday 7 am,  
 RB Country Club  
 12280 Greens East Road  
 Rancho Bernardo

### SUNRISE VISTA

Wednesday 7 am  
 Gloria McClellan Senior  
 Center  
 1400 Vale Terrace Drive,  
 Vista

### THURSDAY

**DEL MAR**  
 Thursday 12 noon  
 Red Tracton's Restaurant  
 550 Via de la Valle, Solana  
 Beach

**ESCONDIDO**  
 Thursday 12:00 noon  
 Escondido County Club  
 1800 Country Club Lane  
 Escondido

**POWAY**  
 Thursday 7 am  
 The Hamburger Factory  
 14122 Midland Road, Poway

**VISTA**  
 Thursday 12 noon  
 Coyote Café  
 1450 N. Santa Fe Avenue,  
 Vista

### FRIDAY

**VALLEY CENTER**  
 Friday 7 am  
 Country Junction Deli  
 29115 Valley Center Road  
 Valley Center

### SATURDAY

**RAMONA**  
 Saturday 7 am  
 Sizzler Restaurant  
 344 Main Street, Ramona



**North County Aktion Club**  
 2067 W. El Norte Pkwy.  
 Escondido, Ca. 92026

**Division 100 MMQ Club**  
 2nd Wednesday of the month at  
 4:30PM