

BULLETIN

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Kiwanis Meeting on August 20, 2026

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The weather was cooler and, now that the air conditioner at St. Ambrose is fixed, the room was cooler, too. Lunch included green salad, Vietnamese style pork cutlets, small roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, and butter. Dietary options in the kitchen were chicken cutlets for non-pork eaters, fish filets for pescatarians, macaroni and cheese for vegetarians, and tofu with enoki mushrooms for vegans. Dessert was bread pudding with a delicious rum sauce topping and fresh cut fruit.

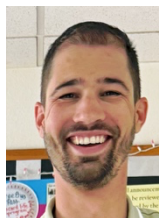
President Linda Olin called the meeting to order at 12:30 after her week away at the Kiwanis Conference.

Al Plummer led the Pledge of Allegiance. Laura Bolinger chose "God Bless America" for our song. Jim Wylie expounded on the purpose of making difference while serving our community in his invocation.



Guests

We had FOUR potential members at our meeting!



JoJo Treadwell introduced Larry King for his first meeting. She also identified Scott Jacobs for his third and final meeting before his induction ceremony! Laura Bray's recruit Margie Lofton was here for her second meeting. Mason Prophet brought Joe Porreca for his first meeting as a potential new member.

Honored Guests

Barbara Rugeley introduced her family members who joined us for today's meeting: Rush Shapton and Nikki Myers Shapton.



President's Report

President Linda Olin reminded us of Shappy's Celebration of Life here at St. Ambrose on Saturday, August 22, at 10AM. Jim Wylie prepared a moving tribute in a special Bulletin.



Next week is our last Concert in the Park for the year. Recognition was given to JoJo Treadwell for leading the set-up with help from Rowena Schiller. We had Jess Swick, Al Plummer, Mason Prophet, and John Thompson on the grill. For quesadillas we had Mary Paine and Jim Wylie, who takes breaks with a quesadilla for himself.

Conrad Nicoll calculated the food and then bought and brought it. Steven Llanusa did duty as The Ice-cream man again. Jerry Feingold also did the setup with help from our Key Clubbers.

Raul Rodriguez, Maria Rodriguez, and Leah Moreno worked the cash registers. Jeff Levy soldiered on well selling Glow Sticks despite unfair competition from an individual underselling him by giving them away for free.

Linda Clinton is now the lieutenant Governor of Division 15. On Saturday, September 19th, her mock installation will happen here in this room.



JoJo Treadwell's installation as our new Club President will be at our September 24 meeting

Our Route 66 Party is set for Friday, September 25, to celebrate 100 years of Route 66. Our party will have wonderful prizes: a Trip to Maui and VIP tickets to Rams. Jess Swick will be the auctioneer and have to deal with a likely bidding war between Mason Prophet and Scott Jacobs for the Rams tickets. We're also going to have baskets each of them worth much more than \$100 Great donations. Sell those tickets!

Dues must be paid by September 30 for full dues or first partial dues payment to avoid being dropped.

Announcements

Pat Henny shared the exciting news that her youngest brother and his wife are coming from England to stay with her for nine days. She's especially excited because they haven't seen each other in over five years.

Julie Martin said she Cindy Gee have been



working on Route 66 incessantly. Julie made reservations with John from the Doubletree and it going to be an amazing event. The Doubletree not only gives us a great discount, but they cover the cost of the Casino vendor which saves us thousands of dollars! She encourages anyone who want to do a meeting to please patronize the Orchard for a meal or weekend brunch to give back to the hotel for all they do for Kiwanis. All members need to sell their four tickets.

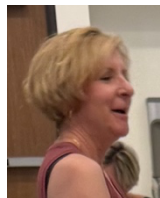
Julie also announced her god-daughter is starting college.



True Confessions

Linda Clinton made a confession but not for herself. From the beginning of the Concerts, she saw a nick in the spatula. Though she was fine with it, Jim Wylie took it and fixed it.

Leah Moreno offered a confession not for herself, but for Julie Martin. The ABC News website page "Tony on the Town" had featured Ability First.



Steven Llanusa followed the pattern of confessing for someone else. On behalf of Conrad Nicoll, Steven confessed that Outshine bars reportedly had glass in some of their flavors. After checking every box's batch number, Steven found that only the tangerine flavor was affected and disposed of four boxes of those tangerine Outshine bars.



Mason Prophet confessed on behalf of Legends Attic sports memorabilia store (619 W Foothill Blvd.) that it's having an event with Dalton Rushing doing a live ESPN Broadcast from in front of the store.

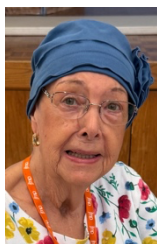


Jim Wylief did a confession that finally related to the person confessing—himself! He didn't fix a nick in the spatula, but went into the shed and hammered the spatula which was bent.

[Editor's Confession: I was so busy writing the Bulletin, I forgot that if Rowena was the Tail Twister, she couldn't take pictures. My bad for not getting a temporary photographer for her.]

Tail Twister

Rowena Schiller gave up the glamorous job of being the Bulletin Photographer this week to take on the lucrative task of Tail Twister. All of the questions this week had to do with hair.



JoJo Treadwell's table was asked, What is trichophagia? No one at that table knew it meant pulling out hair and eating it. It is also known as Rapunzel syndrome.

Daniel Tilton's table was asked for the phrase that was one of the most successful marketing phrases. What can you do related to hair? This phrase doubled the amount of a certain hair care product. A hint was given that everybody here uses it—well MOST people here. The product was shampoo with the phrase "Lather, rinse, repeat."



This question was for Mary Paine's table. In North America, where did the word bangs come from in terms of hair? Where did it originate? No one at Jeff's table knew it is from horses and the practice cutting the tail hairs straight across. It's also called a tail bob or bang tail.

Barbara Jefferson's table was asked the source of the phrase Lunatic Fringe. It's not a political reference but rather from the practice in Victorian England of cutting off most of the hair of women confined to asylums.



Peggy Constantine's table was asked to define Bernice's Hair. They learned it is a constellation located between Ursa Major and Virgo.

Julie Olesniewicz's table was asked what a hair stylist's favorite gym work out is. The groans were heard throughout the room when the answer was revealed to be CURLS.



Carl Herbold's table didn't know that the percentage of people who have curly hair is 11%. JoJo Treadwell felt seen.

Christine Duran's table had the question which animal has the most hair per square inch than any other. Their guess of beaver was good but the actual animal is the otter.



John Thompson's table found out the percentage of men by the age of 31 that have never changed their high style is 55%.

Dan's Tilton had a belated True Confession—he hasn't had a haircut since 1963

Raffle

Seth Pringle was recruited to select the winning ticket. The pot was at \$2,426! Seth pulled Mason Prophet's ticket. With a 50-50 chance of pulling the card that would win the pot, Mason pulled the 5♣ instead and donated all his winnings back to the club.



Program

Greg Negrete introduced Seth Pringle who was here in June to collect his Kiwanis Grant check. Today Seth will talk about Art Smart, the art Claremont Unified School District does with



the Claremont Lewis Museum of Art. He's going to give us a little more detail on exactly what he does and where that Kiwanis Grant money goes to help students learn about art, develop art appreciation, and submit artwork for an exhibition.



Seth Pringle began by telling us about himself. He's from Ohio originally and studied ceramics at Ohio University and then came out to Claremont to get his master's at Claremont Graduate University in painting and drawing. He worked at First Street Gallery Art Center and worked with artists with disabilities in the village. Seth has been going to school, working or living in Claremont since 2005.



The Claremont Lewis Museum of Art offers one of its most important programs: Project Art Start that is generously supported by Kiwanis. The Claremont Lewis Museum of Art's new slogan is "Art Needs Community, Community Needs Art." So art needs community appreciation to be produced.

The CLMA does lots of lectures, discussion panels and art workshops. The Art Museum tries to create as many opportunities as possible for people to get involved, feel part of this community through the museum. It continues a tradition of having an art festival at the Hadworth Hills Art Theater. It's now called Festival of Arts. In the '50s, it was called Art Fiesta and Seth brought some images here of the original Art Fiesta.



Project Art Start was started 15 years ago, and it works through multi-age engagement. The museum has a handful of college interns who are paid. Project Art Start has around 100 high school students from Claremont High School who join the program as volunteers. The high school students then learn about local art and whatever exhibition is currently at the museum. The high school students also learn about how to teach art.



and elementary school students do activities there and then follow up with another visit in the classroom.

In summary, Art Start is where high school students lead lessons, teaching mostly fourth graders. These elementary school students create projects that, at the end of the school year, will be in an exhibition of the students' work. The program is utilized by every elementary school in the district. The CLMA itself was founded through the support and vision of Sandy Baldonado as a partnership between the museum and city.



Kiwanis

Div. 15

2026-2027 CLUB LEADERSHIP TRAINING

WHO
President, Pres. Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chair

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WHAT
Officer Training w/ Lunch & Snacks

WHERE
Div. 15 District Office
8360 Red Oak #201
Rancho Cucamonga 91730

WHEN
Saturday, August 29
Check in: 8:30 AM
Class 9AM - 1PM



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Kiwanis Club Calendar

August 24 **Concerts in the Park**

August 27 Weekly Meeting

August 29 **Leadership Training**

September 3 Weekly Meeting

September 9 **Board Meeting**

September 10 Weekly Meeting

September 17 Weekly Meeting

September 19 **Linda Clinton Lt. Gov. Installation** **St. Ambrose**

Memorial Park

St. Ambrose

Div. 15 8360 Red Oak #201

St. Ambrose

101 S. Mills Ave

St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose

Monday **4:00 – 9:30**

Thursday Noon

Saturday **8:30**

Thursday Noon

Wednesday **5:15 PM**

Thursday Noon

Thursday Noon

Saturday **Noon**

Programs

August 26 – Step Pyramids of Mexico City

September 3 – Upland Swat Team

September 10 – Name That Tune: TV Shows

September 17 – Another interesting Program

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. — *Kiwanis defining statement, adopted October 2004.*



Bulletin Team: Cass Armstrong, Linda Clinton, Peggy Constantine, Sara Mae Heady, Barbara Jefferson, Steven Llanusa, Barbara Rugeley, Rowena Schiller, Jess Swick, John Thompson, and Jim Wylie



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Feingold

CONCERTS IN THE PARK – Conrad Nicoll, Barbara Rugeley, Jess Swick, AN ALL-CLUB

EVENT.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – Raul Rodriguez and

Maria Rodriguez

SEE'S CANDY STORE – John Thompson and

Raul Rodriguez

ADOPT A FAMILY HOLIDAY PROJECT – Peggy

Constantine

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Moraga

CHS KEY CLUB – Sara Mae Heady

SAHS KEY CLUB – Julie Martin and Lanelle

Maurer

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VISTA BUILDERS CLUB – George Haro

5Cs CIRCLE K – Greg Negrete

AKTION CLUB – Barbara Rugeley

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JoJo Treadwell

MEMBERSHIP ADVISOR – Pat Henny

MEMBERSHIP AND HOSPITALITY – Laura Bollinger

MEMBERSHIP RETENTION – Pat Henny

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE – Julie

Martin, Melody Batchelor, Steven Llanusa

Cindee Gee, , and Peggy Constantine

TAIL TWISTER TEAM – Conrad Nicoll

HOUSE COMMITTEE – varies each week

via signups

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL ROSE PARADE

FLOAT PROJECT – *Open*

ROUTE 66 AUCTION & PARTY – Julie Mar-

tin, and Cindee Gee

FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT COMMIT-

TEE – Chair Club Treasurer Raul Rodri-

quez Co-Chair Brian Moraga

INTERCLUB VISITATIONS – Linda Olin,

Melody Batchelor

IVDSA BUDDY WALK – Brian Moraga

CLAREMONT VILLAGE CRAFT BEER AND

WINE WALKS – Mason Prophet

NEWLETTER PRODUCTION – Steven

Llanusa

KIWANIS ONE DAY PROJECT – Jerry

Feingold

NOMINATION COMMITTEE – Chair Club

President Linda Olin and President-Elect

JoJo Treadwell

KIWANIS DIVISION 15 MEETINGS – *Open*