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### Meetings

**September 1, 2023**  
**\*\* Dark \*\***  
**Labor Day Holiday**

**September 8, 2023**  
**Program: Kiwanis Memories**  
**Speaker: Patricia Magoffin**

**September 15, 2023**  
**Program: GCC**  
**Speaker: Meg Chil-Gevorkyan**

**Kiwanis Club of Glendale**  
**meets Fridays at**  
**12 noon**  
**at The Elks Lodge**  
**120 E. Colorado**  
**Glendale CA 91205**



Cathy Keen  
Reporter

**D**ecked out in one of my many CNH Hawaiian shirts, I walked into the Elks lodge to the sound of *I Feel Pretty*, being played by our amazingly talented pianist and fellow member **Rebecca Kupperman**.

Looking around the room, I realized there were indeed some pret-

ty people here today, both inside and out. I love being with my friends on Fridays!

President-but-not-for-long

**Lisa Brooks** sounded the gong at 12:15 pm, and we rose to sing The National Anthem, led by **Jose Sierra**.

**Bruce Hinckley** followed with some patriotic words about our country and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

After a quick inspiration delivered by me, **Lisa** thanked the team that makes the meeting happen each week.

After settling in and resuming our meals, we were ordered to our feet again to take part in the weekly stretch, this time led by chi-

ropractor **Dr. George Chernich**. From the head table I enjoyed seeing the variations of what "left and right," "bend and reach," means to our multi-generational

group. Guest intros were handled by **Mike Guyer** today. We welcomed Glendale Educational Foundation's CEO Romie Ruiz and her assistant Bethany Harrington. **Liza Boubari** introduced her friend Arine Barouni, and **Albert**

**Hernandez** introduced our speaker of the day Marisol Espinoza, who we would hear from later.

**Lou Finkelberg** was the jokester of the day. **Lou** always takes time to find a special joke, one with a story and one sure to entertain. Today was no exception. We learned about God creating dogs, monkeys, cows, and humans, in that order. Let's just say that we all have a purpose here, some with a longer life span than others. Thanks for the good laugh, **Lou**!

If **Pat Liddell** had been in attendance today, we would have nailed our president with a full slate of sponsors and slapped a \$20 fine on her. But maybe next time? Yours truly had very little to report on the Goodwill Report. **Nancy Niebrugge** is back in action and with us today after a bout with Covid, one she brought with her from Europe. **Susan Carr** is spending four months in Newport, RI but will be back with us in October.

Checks for Maui Relief assistance can be made to Glendale Kiwanis Foundation, given to Secretary **Patricia Larrigan**, and funds will be directed to the Maui Kiwanis Club to provide help where help is needed.



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As most of you know, our longtime Treasurer **Patricia Magoffin Haskell** is retiring from the position at the end of **Lisa's** term and hopes to spend more time with her husband. That's the sad news. The happy news is that **Patricia Larrigan** announced that **Olesia Wojcieszyn** will be our new treasurer. We will be officially electing **Olesia** to the office of Treasurer on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Kiwanis Moments included pictures from the recent KBiz gathering at the Grille at the Toasted Bun and more pictures from Wednesday night's Grill Team dinner for Ascencia. **Laura Duncan** commented about how pleased the Ascencia clients were that people were actually cooking a meal for them on the grill outside. **Laura** later paid a fine for our amazing Grill Team.



Announcements included a reminder to bring canned goods on September 8<sup>th</sup> for the big Salvation Army Food Drive to stock their dwindling pantry. If you are able to help with the big drive on September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Ralph's on Central or the Ralph's in La Crescenta between 9 and 3, please contact **Jack Bilheimer**. President-Elect **Irma Villegas's** daughters will be performing in Ballet Folklorico September 16<sup>th</sup> at John Burroughs High School under the leadership of **Amy**

**Navarrete**. Contact **Irma** for details. It's time to sign up for Guess Who's Coming to Dinner to benefit the Campbell Center. Choose one of five dinners on either September 30<sup>th</sup> or October 1<sup>st</sup>. A flyer with information will be at the end of the publication.



One of the things we love to do at Glendale Kiwanis meetings is to present checks to our community nonprofits. Today we were happy to donate \$500 to the Glendale Educational Foundation. Romie Ruiz accepted the check with gratitude for our years of support.

The Rose Float Pasadena Kiwanis Club will have its annual BBQ tomorrow to raise funds for the Kiwanis Rose Float. September 2<sup>nd</sup> is Kiwanis Leadership Training at the Glendale Police Department Community Room, and we have two exciting installations coming up. September 28<sup>th</sup> will be the installation of **Irma Villegas** as our next president, and October 2<sup>nd</sup> our own **Monica Sierra** will be installed as our next Division 3 Lt. Governor. See the flyers for details on both of those events. One of our annual favorites is the Ice Cream Social at **Mary Broerman's** beautiful home in Altadena, featuring Graeter's Ice Cream and some delicious homemade cookies by **Laurel Patric**. Bring the kids and grandkids to



this one! **Rene Karapedian** is looking for volunteers to work the popular Octoberfest in Montrose on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Oh! And one more thing...the Demotion of **Lisa Brooks** will be September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Fifty-fifty time rolled around, and longtime

Kiwanian **Al Nunez** was thrilled to win \$110 today! Congrats to **Al**. The fifty-fifty money collected helps us keep our Admin account healthy.

Fine time! **Monica** and **Jose Sierra** have been missing for three weeks, but for good reason. They had a high school class reunion in San Juan, and they celebrated their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary last week. It was fun to see the cute picture of their granddaughter Paloma on the screen, along with a great picture of **Jose** accepting a huge award at DCon for being the Lt. Governor in the District who sponsored the most members last year and Monica was installed as the D3 Lt. Governor. Congrats to the **Sierras**, and thanks for the fine!

**Richard Dell** had a fine of thanks to all the people who sent cards, calls, and support to him and **Susie** after the recent loss of his brother Wayne.



**Carl Povilaitis**, looking fit and relaxed, had a fine for his recent three-week trip to Alaska via his own aircraft. He enjoyed fishing, hiking, and running from the bears who were also fishing. **Lou Peters** celebrated his 70 yr, 9 mos. birthday and his 50-year career with Campbell Center.



So on to our program...**Albert** introduced lovely Marisol Espinoza, who I had the pleasure of sitting next to during lunch and festivities. Marisol grew up nearby in Highland Park and spent much of her formative years in Glendale. She has been the Public Affairs Manager of Southern California Gas Co. for over nine years, and she spent 30 minutes updating us on the Gas Company, what happened last winter when we all were stymied by our gas bills, and what we can expect in the future. The Gas Company is investigating what the cause was of our enormous gas bills last winter and is hoping to communicate better this year. We had a good Q & A session after her presentation, and she left us with this: If you detect or sense a gas leak, call 1-800-427-2200! Customer service will send help right away. Thank you, Marisol, for this informative presentation, and let's hope for a mild 2023 winter.

Next week is dark. Happy Labor Day, and we will see you September 8<sup>th</sup> with your canned goods in tow.

*Hail Kiwa-*

*nis!*



# **KIWANIS KALENDAR**

**September 2, 2023**—Kiwani Leadership Training, GPD Community Room, 8:30 am  
**September 17,2023**—Ice Cream Social, Mary Broerman's, 2-5 pm  
**September 22, 2023**—Demotion of President Lisa Brooks  
**September 28, 2023**—Installation of President Irma Villegas, Oakmont Country Club, 6pm  
**October 2, 2023**—Installation of Lt. Gov. Monica Sierra, Elks Lodge, 6pm  
**October 15, 2023**—Wine and Toffee Tasting, Robin Goldsworthy's, 4pm



## **Birthdays**

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| Isabel M Reyes          | 3  |
| Patricia Magoffin       | 3  |
| Harry Hull              | 6  |
| Hilda Morovati          | 6  |
| Alicia Cruz             | 15 |
| Robert Bringas          | 19 |
| Mirta Marconi-Rothacher | 24 |

## **Anniversaries**

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Amy & Victor Navarrete          | 2  |
| Cathy & Bob Keen                | 4  |
| Heather & Vartan Ghermezian     | 5  |
| John & Karen Saunders           | 6  |
| Irma & Carlos Villegas          | 11 |
| Susan & Richard Dell            | 18 |
| Vrej & Dina Agajanian           | 24 |
| Stacey & Jeff Nishi             | 25 |
| Helen McDonagh & Andrew Garsten | 30 |



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## **S P O N S O R S**



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*Jose*  
*Happy 45th Wedding*  
*Anniversary!*  
*Love,*  
*Monica*

*Happy Anniversary*



*Happy Retirement*  
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~Albert Hernandez  
 Kiwanis Club of Glendale  
 Vice-President

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- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and the application of higher 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 that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

# Glendale Kiwanis

## 18th Annual Ice Cream Social



*Graeter's Ice Cream*

Sample as many flavors as you like!

Sunday, September 17th  
2 to 5 P.M.

Bring your family & friends, all are welcome!

\$15.00 per person. Checks payable to Glendale Kiwanis Foundation, give to Mary or Patricia Larrigan.

RSVP to Mary Broerman by September 9th.

Please email: [mdbdesign@earthlink.net](mailto:mdbdesign@earthlink.net) or phone/text: 626-862-6321.

At the home of Mary Broerman and John Yeghiaian 916 E. Poppyfields Drive, Altadena, CA 91001



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CLUB OF GLENDALE

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**ARRIVE EARLY FOR NETWORKING**

**NO HOST BREAKFAST**



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**GLENDALEKIWANISMEMBERSHIP@GMAIL.COM**



Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$90 each for the following persons (Please list all names) Reservations due by September 23, 2023!

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Please select a main entree for each guest: # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Molé # \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon Vera Cruz # \_\_\_\_\_ Cheese Enchiladas

Payor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I will pay by Credit Card. (An E-voice will be sent to the above email address)

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**Mail to:** Glendale Kiwanis, PO Box 10545 Glendale, CA 91209-3545 or bring to Club Meeting.

**Return this form to Patricia Larrigan at [glendalekiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:glendalekiwanis@gmail.com)**

For other Ticket and Event Information, contact Susie Dell at [Lsdell66@gmail.com](mailto:Lsdell66@gmail.com) or 818 400-6945

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# THE Campbell Center



**5 Dinners, 5 Themes, at 5 Homes**

**Weekend of 9/30/23 & 10-01-23**

**Attend dinners in a variety of cuisines  
hosted by prominent, Glendale households  
\$100 per person, includes meal, drinks,  
entertainment, and souvenir wine glass**

*Proceeds benefit*

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Empowering Adults With Developmental Disabilities

**VISIT [TheCampbell.org](http://TheCampbell.org), Guess Who's Coming to Dinner for a complete dinner line up and ticket purchase. The following are Kiwanis Member Dinners!**

## **Saturday, September 30**

**Moonlight, Magic and Margaritas**– hosted by Stephen and Pam Ropfogel, starting at 6pm Be amazed by margaritas and appetizers on the patio as the sun sets, then come indoors for a four-course meal inspired by Frontera Grill, Top Chef Master Rick Bayless' flagship Chicago restaurant. Authentic dishes celebrating culinary magic from different regions of Mexico will be accompanied by your choice of tequila or wine. As a special treat you'll enjoy close up magic by Stephen, who has been a member of The Magic Castle since 1981.

## **Sunday, October 1**

**Hawaiian Luau**– hosted by Bruce and Debbie Hinckley at their home, in partnership with the Glendale Fire Department and Glendale Firefighters' Association. Starting at 6pm You'll feel like you're in Hawaii with traditional Hawaiian food and drinks. An oasis made for the night and entertainment included to make you feel you're really there.



Kiwanis International  
Cal-Nev-Ha District - Division 3

Installation Dinner

"Service is Sweet"

2023-24 Lt. Governor Monica Sierra  
& Division 3 Officers

**Meet 2023-24 Cal-Nev-Ha Governor Carole Farris**  
**Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**

|                     |                          |            |
|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| 6:00 pm Social Time | 6:30 pm Dinner & Program | Cost: \$60 |
| Glendale Elks Lodge | 120 E. Colorado St.      | Glendale   |

Checks payable to Kiwanis Club of Glendale

RSVP to Patricia Larrigan by September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Dress: Business Casual, Kiwanis shirts ok!

No Host Bar ~ 50/50 Raffle

Questions? Monica Sierra 818-378-7244

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## Lieutenant Governor Installation October 2<sup>nd</sup>

Complete this form and return to Patricia Larrigan by September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid to Glendale Kiwanis Club (\$60/person) \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Tri Tip of Beef

# \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Salmon



SAVE *the* NEW DATE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023

*Wine & Toffee*  
TASTING



AT THE RESIDENCE OF ROBIN & STEVE GOLDSWORTHY

4:00pm Wine and Toffee Tasting

5:00pm Wine Drinking and Food

**General Admission:** \$75.00/person

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