



# Kiwanis Club of Fremont 2009 Newsletter Volume 3

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Festival of the Arts

August 1 – 2, 2009  
Downtown Fremont

### Kiwanis District Convention

August 13 – 15, 2009  
Town and Country Resort and  
Convention Center  
San Diego, CA

### Read Around the World

Tuesdays August 4 – 25, 2009  
From 2 PM to 2:30 PM  
Saturdays August 1 – 29, 2009  
From 11 AM to 11:30 AM  
Fremont Main Library  
2400 Stevenson Blvd.  
Fremont, CA 94538



## Child Safety

By Marsha Badella

Kiwanis Club of Fremont offers a **Child Safety Program** free of charge year around at several community events. The program includes free fingerprinting (parents keep the fingerprints), a child safety booklet with space for photos and detail descriptions and child safety tips, age specific literature, and follow up safety information upon request.

Look for the Kiwanis banner and booth at various community events including Irvington Farmers' Market (usually the 3rd Sunday of the month), Centerville Farmers' Market (usually the 3rd Saturday of the month), Newark Days Community Information Faire, Newark Family Day at the Park, League of Volunteers Family Fun Day, and the One Bear Project.



## Cans for Kids

By Marsha Badella

As an extra way to earn monies for our various children's programs, and to help the environment, at its regular Tuesday morning meeting, members bring in aluminum cans and plastic bottles for recycling. The program chair then turns them in and proceeds are deposited to support Kiwanis children's programs. In 2008, this program raised \$206.31 and as of July 21, 2009, this program has raised \$203.50.



The Festival of the Arts is on Saturday August 1 and Sunday August 2. The club will be selling Round Table pizza again this year to raise money. The club's booth will be located on Paseo Padre, half way between Walnut and Capitol.



## District Convention

By Julie Brahmst

Here are the results from the KI Convention held in Nashville Tenn, on June 25-28:

**President - Paul Palazzolo**

**President Elect - Sylvester Neal**

**Vice President - Alan Penn**

**Region 1 Trustees - Pam Fleming, Jerry Peuler Jr., Stewart Ross**

**Amendment #1 Club Funds used to pay insurance premiums Passed**

**Amendment #2 Freezing tiered dues levels in qualifying countries Passed**

**Amendment #3 Common Billing date of October 1 for all clubs Passed**

**Amendment #4 Eliminate the Magazine Exemption for Spouses Did not pass**



# KEY CLUBS

School may be out for the summer, but the Fremont Key Clubs have been busy! On June 17, the Washington High School Key Club hosted a dance at the Premier Ballroom Studio to raise money for Pediatric Trauma Prevention. The American High School Key Club has held two car wash fund raisers. The Irvington Key Club was voted the best new club for 2009. Officers from the Mission Key Club recently attended a Kiwanis Club Meeting. Officers from all four clubs participated in the Officer Training Conference at Half Moon Bay State Beach on Saturday, July 25. In addition to learning new skills that they will use in the upcoming year, the Key Clubbers also participated in a sand sculpting contest.





Key Club OTC

## TurnAround Scholarship

The turnaround scholarship program is designed to recognize high school students who have turned their lives around. Maybe they had a hostile environment at home, or got drawn into a bad crowd, but whatever the causes they started high school failing. Then someone or something inspired them to turn their lives around, and they graduate in the A-B range and head off to college. We provide a renewable \$1,000 scholarship for some number of students each year from our sponsored high schools.

The Fremont Kiwanis Club awarded four turnaround scholarships at a banquet at the Fremont Marriott on May 26. Each honoree received \$1,000. The 2009 honorees are: Crystal Nielsen,, American High School; Loi Tran, American High School; Zonnisha White, Irvington High School; and Vasilisa Shavachko, Mission San Jose High School.

## School-Age Storytime In August

By Marsha Badella

Kiwanis believes that young children who listen regularly to books are more likely to become strong readers. Strong readers are more likely to succeed academically. As such, each summer and several times during the year, the Kiwanis Club of Fremont celebrates the Kiwanis Read Around the World Program by reading to young children at the Fremont Main Library.

This year our summer program is every Tuesday (2pm-2:30pm) and every Saturday (11am-11:30am) the month of August. The program is aimed at children in Kindergarten through the 4th grade. It includes reading of several books to groups of children (and some parents), encouraging their participation, and group sing-a-longs in between the stories. This is this program's third year during which time nearly 800 children have participated. If you have young children, please plan to join us, and if you like to read to children, we are always in need of more volunteers.

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## Read Around the World

## Update on the Worldwide Service Project Iodine Deficiency Disorder

Kiwanis International and UNICEF working together to eliminate Iodine Deficiency Disorders Worldwide and here is a message from the U.S. Fund for UNICEF.

A lot of people talk about changing the world, Kiwanis International, in its partnership with UNICEF to eliminate iodine deficiency disorders (IDD), has actually done just that. Kiwanis' steadfast commitment to this critical cause has helped transform the lives of millions of children around the globe.

The consequences of IDD can be life-shattering. An iodine-deficient diet can lead to severely impaired mental development and can rob a child of promise and potential. However, the prevention of IDD is accomplished with a simple and effective weapon: iodized salt. The collaboration between Kiwanis and UNICEF in promoting and facilitating salt iodization all over the world has yielded remarkable results. The proportion of the world population consuming adequately iodized salt climbed from less than 20 percent in the 1990 to 70 percent one decade later. That is an astonishing achievement by any measure.

It's important to note that IDD not only diminishes children's futures but also threatens their survival and increases the risk of infant mortality. I want to acknowledge that the generous contribution of Kiwanians worldwide has also helped UNICEF save untold young lives.

With the commitment of devoted partners like Kiwanis, we have made incredible strides. Tragically, 25,000 children around the world still die every day from a range of preventable causes, UNICEF will take on any challenge - from pushing to eliminate IDD to combating malnutrition to delivering safe, clean water - until that number is zero.

Kiwanis has helped us get closer to this crucial goal and has immeasurably improved the lives of so many children around the world. We are grateful for the vision and dedication of this wonderful organization. On behalf of the world's children, thank you.

Sincerely,

Caryl M. Stern  
President and CEO  
U.S. Fund for UNICEF



Dear Kiwanians,

Recently our CNH Governor Dan Connolly has resigned the office of Governor as of July 1, 2009. In summary I will use his own words in saying he made "an error in judgement". He was complicit in a Negative Campaign flyer that was sent to all the districts except CNH regarding our District Endorsed Candidate George Francis.

The CNH Board of Trustees Meeting was held on July 12 in Rancho Cucamonga. The Board voted in Past Governor Greg Mason to serve as Governor for the remainder of this Kiwanis Year. It is my understanding that he will also than serve as Immediate Past Governor next Kiwanis Year. A complaint was sent to our District office against Dan Connolly and not too long after that complaint was sent Dan Connolly sent his own complaint against the signers of the complaint against him.

The board discussed this issue at the board meeting and voted to have both the complaint against Dan Connolly and the complaint against, Tony Molina, Nelson Tucker, Larry Clark, Bob Ericson, and Dave Schmit be investigated by two separate committees (one for each complaint) to determine if anyone was acting as "unbecoming of a Kiwanian". These ad hoc committees will be chosen by the New Governor Greg Mason and will consist of members of the Board of Directors.

The results of the ad hoc committees will be reported at the next CNH board meeting to be held on August 12th in San Diego. I will report those findings and any decisions made by the board immediately following that meeting.

I am sadden to deliver this type of news as I believe Dan Connolly as our Governor was making a huge impact in our District in a very positive heading and had laid some ground work for us to build on for our future as a District. It is my sincere hope and desire that we all will continue the good work of Kiwanis Service and that this and any other incident like this will not taint the good name of Kiwanis and will not be allowed to upset the members who are the most important component in our service organization.

In Kiwanis Service,

Julie Brahmst  
CNH District Trustee Region 17

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