

President's Message

"A Chat with Pat"

It is hard to believe January is over and I have already been the president four months. I brought in a slide-show of the first 100 days and will bring it back just in case some members did not get a chance to see it. We are reviewing the budget at our February Board Meeting and I am reviewing my 4 months as well. I would love feedback of how I am doing. If you have a problem, include the solution so I can work on fixing it. I am working toward Distinguished Club and it goes hand in hand with being a distinguished Kiwanian. It might be an uphill battle if we cannot find some new members. Think about friends, family and business acquaintances to make it happen.

The recipient of "Caught Making A Difference" in January was Dee Rein. She partnered with the Marines, Toys For Tots, Salvation Army and Kiwanis to gather over 500 toys and 16 bikes for Auburn Salvation Army children. What a gal!

The Theme for the February 17th meeting is Chinese New Year, The Year of the Tiger. Theme nights have been fun so thanks for your participation.

Remember think of ways to get additional revenue in our Admin Fund. It will help keep our costs down to our members so email suggestions or give me a call. I just want to say I am proud to be your club president as you're the best and I am also proud to be a Kiwanian.

Pat Thomas, President, Kiwanis Club of Auburn

Upcoming Meeting Programs:

- Feb. 3rd - Builder's Club running the meeting
- Feb. 10th - Club Valentine's Day Party
- Feb. 17th - Jim Holmes, 442nd Brigade
- Feb. 24th - Johnny Doskow, RiverCats

Kiwanis One Day

A worldwide single day of service

Kiwanis members work in their communities all year long. But for one day in April each year, the entire Kiwanis family - Kiwanis Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, Aktion Club and Kiwanis clubs - comes together for a day of hands-on community service that is felt around the world.

It's called Kiwanis One Day - and the more hands we have helping, the more lives we will touch. Projects include anything from building playgrounds to volunteering at a shelter to stocking shelves at a food pantry.

Kiwanis One Day is April 10, 2010.

We're looking for a new idea for this year's project. Some of our club's past projects include:

2009 - KidZKount Picnic

2008 - Little League Opening Day BBQ

2007 - Auburn Ravine Trail Clean-up

Prior Years - Building a Horse Shelter at Riding High Equestrian Center, clean up at the Life Lab at Alta Vista School and a bicycle rodeo at Rock Creek School.

Please share your ideas with Mary Fischer Paolini, our Kiwanis One Day committee chair.

"Serving the Children of the World"

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Kiwanis Club of Auburn

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Pat Thomas
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President-Elect

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Vice President

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Carrie Achilles
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Immediate Past Pres.

Board Members:

Bob Achilles
Chris Bunnell
Gil Hemmer
Pam Irwin
Ted Nishimoto
Pat Ryan
Carol Zobel



Club Meetings:

Every Wednesday
6:30pm – 8:00pm
Sizzler Restaurant
13570 Lincoln Way

Board Meetings:

First Tuesdays
5:30pm
KidZKount

Division Council Meetings:

Second Mondays
5:30pm
Oak Avenue Free
Methodist Church
8790 Oak Ave.,
Orangevale



January 27th Meeting

Loreley Hodkin, Auburn Historian, was our speaker on January 27th. She had many interesting facts to share with us

about Auburn's history. In searching through old records, she found the schematic that was used when the State Theater was remodeled back in 1937. This was invaluable for the current State Theater Project. She also talked about some of the famous photos of Auburn taken back in 1852 by Joseph B. Starkweather which now reside in the Library of Congress.



Dollhouse Raffle for Kiwanis Family House



The Kiwanis Family Dream Dollhouse has made its way down to the Kiwanis Family House where it is prominently displayed in the front foyer. We hope that it will generate more interest there and increase ticket sales getting us closer to our goal of covering the cost of one night of a full house at the Family house. To date we have raised \$676.00 in

donations and ticket sales. At a cost of \$40 a night that amount of money covers nearly 17 rooms for one night. That leaves us with about 7 more rooms to cover.

Hats off to the Aktion Club who purchased enough tickets to cover 2 rooms for one night. Yes, you do make a difference,

Time is running out. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Red and White Ball on February 13th. So, if you have not purchased a ticket yet, I would encourage you to do so. Tickets are \$5 apiece or 5 tickets for \$20. Donations of any amount will also be gladly accepted. I would encourage you to consider donating the cost of a movie ticket if you are not interested in winning the dollhouse.

Let's step up and make our club proud when we present the check to the Kiwanis Family House at the Red and White ball. Let's share the love.

Pam Irwin



January 27th Raffle Winners:

Wine Auction – Pam Irwin

Fine Free – Gil Hemmer

50/50 for \$18 – Bob Achilles

Progressive for \$248 – Angela
Anielski drew a white chip
(only 4 white chips remain)

Dates to Remember

Cal Nev Ha Mid-Year North – 3/6/10 in San Jose

Cal Nev Ha Convention – 8/19/10 in Reno

*Please submit newsletter information to
Carol Zobel - 885-4258 or czobel@earthlink.net*

Interclubs

Placerville – February 17th. Meet at 10:45am.

Ivor Thomas, Interclub Chair

February Theme Meeting

Red will be the color to wear - red represents luck - it is the year of the tiger. Every member needs to bring a small tiger or some sort of small cat-like stuffed animal, to be used for Helpin' Hands, Kiwanis House kids' bags. If you don't bring an animal you will have to pay a fine to the administration account. The date is Wed., Feb., 17th

Pat Ryan

Random Acts of Kindness

Below is a Summary of Random Acts of Kindness for the first part of the year. Last year we were able to complete 73 and far exceeded our goal of 50. This year the budget was cut in half making our goal 24. We have already exceeded our goal of two a month because of generous contributions from our members. My goal is "Getting the Word Out" as president and positive feedback from recipients indicates our club is a success. Keep up the great work and support this program. A list of Random Acts of Kindness will be sent around in February so please sign up, make a difference and enjoy giving.

The Chairs for RAK are Mary and Jill. Pam Irwin, Pat Ryan, Ivor Thomas, Dave Irwin and JoAnn W are on the committee. If you have ideas of how to make this bigger and better including additional agencies, we would love to hear from you.

Random Acts of Kindness 10/1/09 to 1/31/10

Summary: \$750.00 budget

Balance: \$550.00 as 1/31/10

6 members participated

11 Random Act of Kindness have been performed with 8 paid by Kiwanis & 3 donated by members.

- Our club gathered together 4 Thanksgiving baskets for Single Parents with Children for the Salvation Army.
- 4 baskets were filled for Christmas with a toy for each child. KidZKount (Head Start) provided names from Clipper Gap, Early Head Start and Auburn AM and PM. The majority of families are single mothers.

- We purchased back to school outfits for Placer Kids
- We donated to Adoption Day Celebration held at the Courthouse in Auburn for Placer Kids

Goals

- Make a difference and have happy members
- Make a child happy and do not forget teens
- Get the word out about Kiwanis
- Increase membership
- More membership involvement
- Partner with Key Club and Builder's Club to Make A Difference

Kiwanis reimburses members \$25 for each act completed (with proper receipts)

Pay Forward - whenever a Random Act of Kindness is donated another Random Act of Kindness is committed. The members pick from a list of Random Acts of Kindness and agree to complete the act within a certain length of time. Each RAK is reimbursed up to \$25.00 with receipts. Members report to the club the details of the act. What worked and what didn't? What could make this better the next time? Potential recipients for this program are gathered from: KidZKount, Placer Kids, Receiving Home, Adventist Health, Fire Department, Police Department, Auburn Boys and Girls Club & Salvation Army.

The act of kindness must involve a child and examples might be:

- Bathing suit and swim pass
- Special day for a child with a parent in the military and overseas
- Dance lessons
- Batting cage
- Theater tickets and snacks for a family
- River Cat tickets and parking
- Sports equipment
- Ice-skating
- Clothes, shoes
- Diapers, formula, outfit
- Summer camp or day camp

Get the word out:

When the Random Act of Kindness has been completed give a Random Act of Kindness Kiwanis card and get the word out.



Pat Thomas

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February 2010

	1	2 Groundhog Day Board Meeting 5:30pm at KidZKount	3 Builders Club General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm	4	5	6
7	8 DCM 5:30pm Oak Ave Free Methodist Church	9	10 Valentine's Day Party at Sizzler 6:30pm	11 Key Club Meeting	12	13 Kiwanis Family House Red and White Ball at the Old Sugar Mill in Clarksburg
14 Valentine's Day 	15 President's Day	16 ARCO Arena Kings vs. Celtics	17 Builders Club Interclub General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm Ash Wednesday	18	19 Aktion Club Meeting 3:45-5pm	20
21	22 Siena Birthday Party 2:30pm	23	24 General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm	25 Key Club Meeting	26 Cub Scout Blue & Gold Dinner	27

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March 2010

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Auburn Education Foundation **St. Patrick's Day Dinner** is presented by the Auburn Education Foundation and will be held at Skyridge Elementary School from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17th. Ticket prices are adults \$11, children \$6, and families \$30. Entertainment by an Irish Band and Children's Choirs. Proceeds are given to teachers for district projects. For information phone 530-263-0462.