

## President's Message

Fellow Kiwanians,

Today I would like to focus on a relatively new program within the Auburn Kiwanis. The program is called Random Acts of Kindness or RAK. The program was started a year ago by Pat Thomas, our President-Elect. Several other Kiwanians have helped with the program. The purpose of the program is to provide a RAK to a group or Agency within the Greater Auburn area. The Kiwanis member selects one of our needy agencies or groups and purchases an item. The member then gives the receipt to our Treasurer Lori who then reimburses the purchase made by the member up to \$ 25. Several times, the Kiwanis members have purchased more than \$ 25 and considered anything above that amount to be a donation. One young child from an agency was so touched by the gift he received (fishing pole and tackle) he asked our Kiwanian to "Adopt Him".

There are some great stories out there where Kiwanians from Auburn have really made a difference with the people they have worked with for RAK.

To date, The RAK has benefited the following organizations:

- Auburn Boys and Girls Club
- Salvation Army
- Key Club
- Operation MOM
- Aktion Club
- Boy Scouts
- Cub Scouts
- KidZKount (Head Start Classes)
- Rock Creek Elementary School
- Placer Kids-Foster Kids
- Receiving Homes
- Adventist Community Services

We are in need of two things to continue this program in the new year coming up. First, we need more members to participate and second, we need more organizations, agencies and groups to be able to participate with.

Can we count on you to help out in these two areas?

*Laird Smith, President, Kiwanis Club of Auburn*



## Upcoming Meeting Programs:

- Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> – Sandy Bassett, Auburn Food Closet
- Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> - Boy Scout Troop 269
- Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> - Peggy Eli, Placer High School Music Boosters
- Sep. 2<sup>nd</sup> - *pending*
- Sep. 9<sup>th</sup> - Julia Bergman, Pennies For Peace
- Sep. 16<sup>th</sup> - Jennifer Chavez, Cal-Nev-Ha Kiwanis Doctor
- Sep. 23<sup>rd</sup> - *pending*
- Sep. 29<sup>th</sup> - Club Installation Dinner at Power's Mansion Inn

## 2009-2010 Club Committees

Please review the list of club committees included with this newsletter. Let incoming President Pat Thomas know which committees you'd like to help with. It takes all of us to make our club great. Won't you help?

*"Serving the Children of the World"*

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## Kiwanis Club of Auburn

### Leadership Team

Laird Smith  
*President*

Pat Thomas  
*President-Elect*

Renee Breedlove  
*Vice President*

Lori Heitz  
*Treasurer*

Carrie Achilles  
*Secretary*

Carol Zobel  
*Immediate Past Pres.*

### Board Members:

Bob Achilles  
Chris Bunnell  
Wendy Edwards  
Cliff Heitz  
Gil Hemmer  
Ted Nishimoto  
Bob Tutton



### Club Meetings:

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

### Board Meetings:

First Tuesdays  
5:30pm  
Sutter Auburn Faith  
Hospital Board Room 1

### Division Council

#### Meetings:

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



she's raised 2 guide dogs for the blind and her current hobby is genealogy. We're glad to have her as a member.

We had five prospective members attend the meeting – Tom, Ed, Char, Linda and Matt. We hope to have them attend another meeting and learn more about our club. Tom and Matt attended the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting and will be inducted at the August 12<sup>th</sup> club meeting.

The program for the evening consisted of four different individuals talking about how our Kiwanis club has helped them or their organizations... Tris DeMauri (Cub Scout Pack 269), Matthew Zobel (scholarship recipient, Boy Scout, Key Club Past President and Builder's Club charter member), Roni Stroud (Kiwanis Family House) and Laurie Terrell (Placer Foster Kids). They shared heart-warming stories that inspired both new and more established members.

We also presented Laurie with 5 Random Acts of Kindness - backpacks for displaced children.

Pam Neuer won the raffle for a free dinner at a Kiwanis meeting with Laird's ticket for having invited guests to our Special Guest Day. Jill Paolini won the raffle for a free dinner at a Kiwanis meeting with her ticket for having a guest attend. Congratulations to both of them.



## August 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Catherine Morris and TJ from the Sierra College Veterans Student Alliance were the speakers at our August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. TJ showed a video talking about the difficulties veterans face when returning home. If you'd like to see the video, it's on the web at [http://news.newamericamedia.org/news/view\\_article.html?article\\_id=8c310eacfeb08aba2e7f1e29411543e9](http://news.newamericamedia.org/news/view_article.html?article_id=8c310eacfeb08aba2e7f1e29411543e9)

The Veterans Student Alliance (VSA) is a group of college veterans who have come together to help each other, incoming veterans and their families, transition from a military mind-set to civilian life-style. There are currently 400 veterans attending Sierra College. For additional information on this group, check out their website at [veteranstudentalliance@live.net](mailto:veteranstudentalliance@live.net).

### August 5<sup>th</sup> Raffle Winners:

Fine Free – Jeff Rupp  
50/50 for \$9 – Stephen Zobel  
Progressive for \$17 – a guest  
from Sac Suburban drew a  
white chip

## Dates to Remember

Club Installation of Officers – Sept. 29th

*Please submit newsletter information to*  
Carol Zobel - 885-4258 or [czobel@earthlink.net](mailto:czobel@earthlink.net)

## Interclubs

August 20 – Rancho Murrieta – 7am meeting

September – Rancho Cordova

If you're interested in attending, please let Ivor know.

## Relay for Life

### Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm – Campsite set-up

9:00pm – Set up for events

### Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

10:50am – Survivor Lap

11:00-11:30am – Kiwanians walk so scouts can have lunch

11:40am – theme lap – Sun & Surf

11:45am – Activity – “Hunt the Polyp”

12:45pm – theme lap – Crazy Hat

1:30pm – “Be Active” Obstacle course

2:00pm – theme lap – Poker Run

2:30pm – Activity – “Toss the Hemoglobin” (water balloon toss)

3:00pm – Activity – “Relay Runway” (purple fashion show)

4:00pm – “The Prize is Life” Game Show

5:00pm – theme lap – Freaks & Geeks

5:30-6:30pm – Dinner – Taco Salads

7:15pm – theme lap – pajamas

9:00pm – Luminary Ceremony

9:45pm – Mr. & Mrs. Relay Beauty Pageant (cross dress)

### Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

12:00am – Midnight Activities (scavenger hunt, bingo, relay disco)

1:00-7:00am – need help with walking

7:30am – wake up with Jazzercise

9:20am – Fight Back Ceremony & event awards

9:55am – closing lap / Clean up & Go Home



## Facebook – What is it?

Facebook is a social networking website. Basic features include friend networking with others and posting on a “wall” or “commenting” on pictures.

The Wall is a space on each user's profile page that allows friends to post messages for the user to see while displaying the time and date the message was written. One user's wall is visible to anyone with the ability to see his or her full profile, and different users' wall posts show up in an individual's News Feed. Many users use their friends' walls for leaving short, temporal notes.

One of the most popular applications on Facebook is the Photos application, where users can upload albums of photos, tag friends, and comment on photos.

Facebook has a micro-blogging feature called "status updates" which allows users to inform their friends of their current whereabouts, actions, or thoughts. Status updates are noted in the "Recently updated" section of a user's friend list.

Facebook events are a way for members to let friends know about upcoming events in their community and to organize social gatherings. Events require an event name, network, host name, event type, start and end time, location, and a guest list of friends invited. Events can be open, closed, or secret. When setting up an event the user can choose to allow friends to upload photos or videos.

Facebook allows different networks and groups to which many users can join. It also allows privacy settings on basis of networks. Groups are used for discussions and events etc. Groups are a way of enabling a number of people to come together online to share information and discuss specific subjects. They are increasingly used by clubs, companies and public sector organizations to engage with stakeholders - be they members of the public, employees, members, service users, shareholders or customers.

Users are only able to chat with their Facebook friends and on a one-to-one basis.

\*\*\* Next newsletter – How to use Facebook.

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## August 2009



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| 9                                  | 10                                | 11   | 12<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm | 13 | 14<br>Campsite set-up for Relay 6pm                                   | 15<br>Relay for Life                                  |
| Cal-Nev-Ha Convention in San Diego |                                   |  |   |    |   |   |
| 16<br>Relay for Life               | 17                                | 18   | 19<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm | 20 | 21<br>Aktion Club Meeting 3:45-5pm<br>Father's Day in August 4:30-8pm | 22  |
| 23                                 | 24<br>Siena Birthday Party 2:30pm | 25<br>New Board Meeting 5:30pm at KidZKount Troop 269 Court of Honor 7pm | 26<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm | 27 | 28<br>Pack 269 BBQ & Raingutter Regatta 6pm Regional Park             | 29<br>Stuff the Bus for Auburn Interfaith Food Closet |
| 30                                 | 31                                |  |   |    |   |   |



## September 2009



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|----------------------------|--|---|---|----|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                            |  | 1<br>Board Meeting 5:30pm at Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital | 2<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm  | 3  | 4                                  | 5                               |
| 6                          | 7<br>Labor Day                                 | 8   | 9<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm  | 10 | 11                                 | 12<br>Gold Country Fair 4-H BBQ |
| 13                         | 14<br>DCM 5:30pm Oak Ave Free Methodist Church | 15  | 16<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm | 17 | 18<br>Aktion Club Meeting 3:45-5pm | 19                              |
| 20                         | 21   | 22  | 23<br>General Meeting at Sizzler 6:30pm | 24 | 25<br>Pack 269 Family Camp         | 26<br>Pack 269 Family Camp      |
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**Kiwanis**  
International

In 1994, Kiwanis International pledged to help protect children from Iodine Deficiency Disorders in its first Worldwide Service Project. Now, with the majority of the world's children protected against IDD, Kiwanis is inviting proposals to become the global service organization's second worldwide service initiative.