



NEWSLETTER April 27, 2020

Editorial – Allen Grizzard-Paul

Hot news from International:

I had a call from International this morning and they have **waived** the sign-up fee for new members from now until September 1. This means that there is **no \$50 fee** for any **new member** that we bring in between now and September. I have not heard if District is also going to waive their sign-up fee which I believe is \$30. Let's take this opportunity to get the news out so that we can start bringing in some new members before the fee is re-introduced.

The other news from International is that they have cancelled the International Convention for 2020. The 2021 convention will be in Salt Lake City.

What went on in our Kiwanis Club this week –

Members Meeting

We believe we had 8 members on line for this meeting. We are still not sure if Doug was with us. We could see Doug but it did not appear that he was able to hear or speak to us. After the meeting ended, Bob finally made contact with Doug and, as we had expected, he has two computer and the camera was on one but the mic was on the other one. Hopefully we will have our beloved leader back on sound and screen for our next meeting. We were also expecting our Lt. Governor to join our meeting but we got our dates mixed up. He will be joining us for our first meeting in May so that he can also join our board meeting.

Linda reported that we now have 10 Scholarship applications. 6 from Camarillo High, one from Rancho Campana, and three from Rio Mesa. She said she will still accept application through this week. Linda has also notified schools that we will not be giving out Hope of America awards this year as there are no award or graduation ceremonies.

Bob reported that he has paid our yearly dues to the Chamber and has sent a check for \$120 to the pantry. If anyone else would like to support this worthy cause, please contact Bobby.

Carole reported that she has renewed our Charter with the Cub Scout Troup 3800. She also reported that she has donated \$500 for a Scholarship in Darryl's name.

Following on from last week's meeting where we started working on a Strategic Plan for our Club, Allen presented a first stab for a Vision Statement and Vivid Description. These were massaged during this meeting and we proposed the following:

Vision Statement

Kiwanis Club of Camarillo will continue to be recognized in the community as the leading service club supporting the needs of children.

Vivid Description

By increasing membership from diverse businesses and members of the community, along with strong support from our sponsored youth organizations, we will complete worthy signature projects, including major fundraisers, that will enhance the name of Kiwanis in Camarillo.

The next step in this process is to start gathering and analyzing information on our **strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and barriers** that might hinder our club's efforts. This will be followed using the I-Plan format to develop the steps to reach our goals. Just as a refresher, here are the four I's laid out in the I-Plan:

Inspiration (Membership & Engagement) – How can we increase membership and then keep them engaged.

Impact (Meaningful Service) – How can we help fulfill the needs of the community.

Image (Our Kiwanis Image) – How can we get better recognition in our community.

Investment (Financial Stability) – How can we ensure financial viability – Fundraising.

Last week I dropped in to see Bud and delivered some of the past newsletters. Health wise he is doing well but, like the rest of us, he is bored out of his frigging mind. So, if you would like a trip out, give Bud a call and he will meet you outside the garage for a chat. Call him at 805-383-4093 and if he does not answer, try a second time as it may take him a while to get to the phone.

It is our granddaughter, Brooke's 10th birthday on Tuesday. This is going to be a tough one with no friends aloud to visit. What 10-year-old wants to party with adults? She is going to get a floppy eared bunny but fortunately it will not be available until mid-May. This gives me a couple of weeks to build a hutch. Anyone out there have a plan for a Rabbit Hutch?

Don't forget if anyone is not sure how to join our Zoom meeting or have been having trouble joining, just give Bob Gaboury a call (805-390-9212) and he will give you a practice run before the meeting to make sure it all works

Reminders of Upcoming Events or NOT

Tuesday, April 28, Noon - Members Zoom meeting. **Join Zoom Meeting**
<https://zoom.us/j/3833832015?pwd=EAcvWVuCD8E>

If calling in from a cell phone you may need the following:

Meeting ID: 383 383 2015

Password: 884781

Tuesday, May 5, 5:30 pm – Members meeting followed by a Board meeting. On Zoom,

Thursday, May 7, 7 pm – Satellite section meeting. Same Zoom link as for our Tuesday Meetings.

Tuesday, May 12, Noon – Members Zoom meeting.

Thursday, May 14 – DCM via Zoom -

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8630815222?pwd=cGt4S2RzNkI3N1dhUGhPVnY1b3p4Zz09>

Don't forget it is getting pretty lonely out there so, as they say in "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire", "Phone a Friend". Check up on some our members you may not have spoken to for a while.

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I updated an older list to make my life easy, so please check this list and let me know if anything has change or if I have made any typos.

Thanks you Bobby for reminding us of some of the heros out there that we should give a big thank you to to them. I try to thank the people in the grocery store, but there are many more workers who are at risk trying to make the world habitable. Although you cannot go to a restaurant for a meal we still have people working the drive through windows, take out counters, and those delivering meals.

**A SHOUT TO ALL THE GROCERY STORE
WORKERS WHO GO TO WORK EVERY
DAY TO KEEP US FED THROUGH
THIS PANDEMIC**

