



Kiwanis Club of South Pasadena

November 2023



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

2023-2024 should be a great year for the Kiwanis Club of South Pasadena. Our goal is to increase membership by 5 members. Increased membership provides us with the opportunity to provide more service to our youth. This year we have developed a relationship with the D.U.D.E.S. (Dads Uniting Dads for Education and Service) These dads with children in school are great prospects for membership in Kiwanis.

In 2023 we found our signature project – Literacy. We provided 100 books to each of the 3 elementary schools and the Almanor Academy to help those 3rd and 4th grade students who fell behind in reading during the Covid lock down. Our first project with the DUDES was the Middle School Wellness Center. The DUDES asked if we could help and we created a Kiwanis Ready Oasis with bookshelves and 500 books. A rung and bean bag chairs.

Going forward the principals of our three elementary schools have asked for a weatherproof book chart that can be rolled out on the playground. With our See's Candy campaign and pancake breakfast we are looking forward to raising money to make a difference for our children.

I will be reporting more on our membership drive with the Chamber of Commerce. Thank you all for your service.

Ernie Arnold

2023-2024 President

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NEW LEADERSHIP FOR SOUTH PASADENA KIWANIS



Kiwanis Division 10 Lieutenant Governor, Douglas Chadwick officiated at the South Pasadena Kiwanis Club Officer Installation on October 4, 2023. Newly installed club President, Ernie Arnold was sworn-in along with his President Elect, Tom Carson; Vice President, Erich Ehrlich; Board members Alan Weinburger and Phillip Hoge. (Secretary/ Treasurer, Henry

Wong was sworn in at a separate time).

President Arnold is ready to lead the club and is focused on our goals of helping the children of South Pasadena excel in school and in life. His excitement in leading our club to be a driving force in our school's Wellness Centers, and literacy programs, shows his true commitment to our club and our community.

“We cannot live only for ourselves. A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow men.”

-Herman Melville-

WELLNESS CENTER AND LITERACY



South Pasadena Kiwanis Club has made a commitment to our school district in support of the Middle School and High School as they create wellness centers for the youth of South Pasadena.

Middle and High School Wellness Centers are a powerful investment for our schools and local communities. They empower our students to promote and manage their own social, emotional, and physical health while striving to support all areas of their lives that may impact their academic potential.



Our club has provided funds for bookshelves, books, and furniture for the middle school Wellness Center. Along with school staff member, Natasha Stebbins, LCSW, Kiwanis members spend a day at the middle school building shelves and stocking them with books donated by the club.

A FUN DAY WITH THE “D.U.D.E.S.” (DADS UNITING DADS IN EDUCATION AND SERVICE)



What we hope will be the first of many; the inaugural South Pasadena Pickleball Tournament was held on September 30. Our Kiwanis club was a co-host of the event which was spearheaded by The D.U.D.E.S., a group of fathers with children in the South Pasadena schools. This fun and fundraising effort led to more than \$4,000 for the High School Wellness center. In the picture above, Ernie and Erich with several members of the DUDES.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 1. Lunch and Socialize 12:00, General Meeting 12:30.
- November 8. 100th Anniversary planning at Mamma's Brick Oven Pizza. 6:00 p.m.
- November 15, Lunch and Socialize 12:00, General Meeting 12:30.

- November 23, Thanksgiving Day, Notice will be given for rescheduled board meeting.
- November??? See's Candy sale begins. Kiwanis will have a booth during Farmers Market and sell Candy. A new opportunity, we will Pre-buy boxes of See's to sell without taking paper orders. Paper orders for later delivery will still be available.

CLUB LEADERS

Kiwanis Board 2023 – 2024	
Ernie Arnold	- President
Tom Carson	- President Elect
Erich Ehrlich	- Vice President
Henry Wong	- Secretary/ Treasurer
Gerry Poulin	- Asst. Treasurer, Immediate Past President (2021, 2022)
Phil Hoge	- Board Member
Alan Weinberger	- Board Member

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