

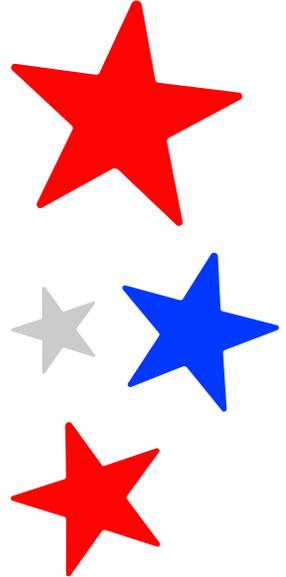
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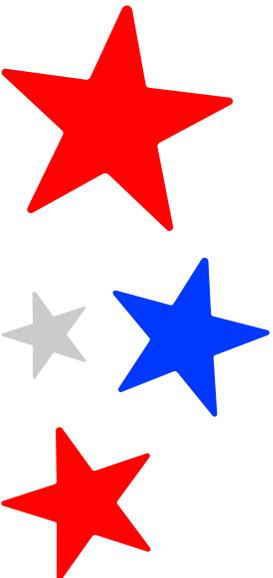


Assisteens shop at Costco for the IVC food pantry!



Coming Up

- There is a CDM beach cleanup on Sunday, January 16
- The World Wetlands Day trash cleanup will be Saturday, January 29
- January Assisteens Meeting will be on zoom on Wednesday, January 19



Coordinator's Message

Ms. Campbell
Assisteens Coordinator

"Happy New Year Assisteens and Assisteens' Parents! I hope you all had wonderful holidays and a great winter break!

So far it looks like we will still have some challenges, but as with the past two years, Assisteens will continue to find ways to meet those challenges while working to support our community. Thinking of our members' safety and the current surge in Covid cases, the Assisteens Governing Body voted to hold the January 19th general meeting on zoom rather than in person. In February, there will be no general meeting, and advisors will plan class meetings either virtual or in-person. Hopefully by March, Assisteens will be able to meet all together again in person at Jeffrey Trail. Please watch your email for information and zoom links.

Assisteens' events in January will be held outside helping to clean and refresh the environment in the new year. Get involved and sign up for Beach Cleanup 1/16, Recycling Collection and thrift shop help 1/22, and O.C. Parks - World Wetlands Day 1/29.

Some exciting news for the new year is that Mrs. Tuchman and I met with the librarian at the University Park branch to discuss resuming Assisteens' Library Craft Days. The plan was to start monthly events beginning in February. Then, Omicron hit, and the county put a pause on in-person events. We are hoping that maybe by March things will be better and we can hold these popular monthly craft days. I will keep you updated, but the definite plan is beginning in June with our 2022-2023 year, this philanthropy will again be available for seasonal chairmen.

Please remember to submit nomination forms to Avlyn Singer if you are interested in a Governing Body position. Once the Governing Body is formed, applications for chairmanships will be sent out.

Keep watching your email for further information on Assisteens' philanthropies and events. There will be lots of opportunities to sign up and help out!"

Letter from the Chairman

Kahla Magbenga
Assisteens Chairman

"Happy New year everyone!
I hope everyone had a wonderful winter break and a successful finals week! It's time to start the new year off by giving back to our community again! Last year we helped so many people and touched thousands of lives, can you believe that? It's amazing to think that one small action of kindness can have such a large impact on one person or even a whole family. Thank you all for all the hard work last year! Let's finish our Assisteens' year strong!"

Philanthropy

Anna Lieggi
V.C. Philanthropy

"We had so many great volunteer opportunities in December! Senior Services created wreaths and goodie bags for the holiday season to brighten up Sunridge Assisted Living. Currently, OC parks is planning an event for the World Wetland Day trash cleanup. This will be happening towards the end of January so keep an eye out for signups. Have a great month!"

"Hey Assisteens,
Happy New Year!! RMH Breakfast Cafe was able to make 40 bags full of crafts and snacks for the people staying at the Ronald McDonald House at their event in December. This month, there will be a Beach Cleanup, so be on the look-out for that!"

Natalie Fu
Assistant V.C. Philanthropy

"Hours:

Continue to submit your hours on the form found on the website. If you have any questions, please contact Shrinikesh at shrini.borsune@gmail.com.

Big Buddy Little Buddy:

There may be another event in February so lookout for an email about that!

New Member Training:

Please let me know if you are a new member and have not had new member training or received a binder. My email is lunamoonjulia@gmail.com."

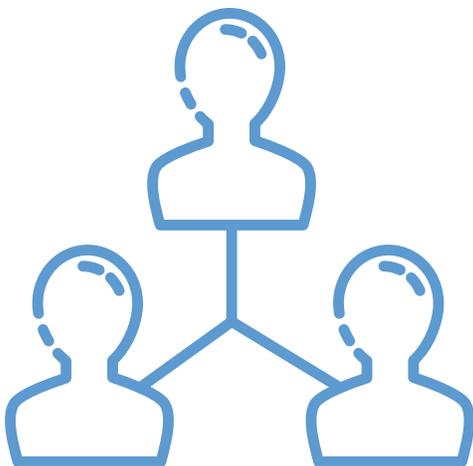
New Members

Luna Schaffer
V.C. New Membership



Membership

Sana Hamid
V.C. Membership



"I hope everyone is staying safe with the recent surge in COVID cases! Make sure to stay hydrated and follow CDC guidelines. Here are my updates for our first 2022 newsletter article:

- A. ****Philanthropy chairmen**** I urge you to send photos from the philanthropies you've held thus far to assisteenspictures@gmail.com along with the name of the philanthropy. Pictures are slowly trickling in, so please email them as soon as possible!
- B. The winter social is, unfortunately, being canceled in light of Omicron, but look forward to the springtime for more social plans! Our chairman is working hard to make sure Assisteens can have at least one more get-together.
- C. Self-improvement will have a speaker at the January meeting. The topic will most likely be environmental protection at a local level, but more information is to come."

Fundraising

Ria Kundu
V.C. Fundraising



"All the See's Candy was distributed in the last few weeks of December, and we did really well! However, remember to keep recycling and collecting your bottles and cans to raise money for our philanthropies so we can do more events. We recently earned around \$39 in recycling, so keep up the good work! There will be a recycling drive event later this month, as well as a donation drive with items for the thrift shop. See the flyers on page 7 and 8 for information.

"Make sure to turn in your governing body nomination forms by the January general meeting. This is a great way to become more involved in our organization and work with others behind the scenes. Make a copy of this document or print it and take a picture of it filled out and email it to Avlyn Singer at avyblaze@gmail.com. Don't be too intimidated to apply! <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1e6ibeDg2wAD0QyIF391jOXaZ656-Ktn0abhYbPauPu/edit> "

Parliamentarian

Avlyn Singer
Parliamentarian

See's Candies

The See's Candy packaging and distributing was very successful. The packaging was hard, but thanks to everyone there we were able to get it done in time. We raised a total of \$11,606.50 and our profit was \$4,681.52. Thank you!"

Lea Ner & Riley Thai
See's Candy Chairmen



THRIFT SHOP DONATION DRIVE!

Items most needed: children's
books, toys, and teen clothing

WHEN:

January 22th,
12:00pm -
3:00pm

Call Selin Bennett
at 949-870-7580
with any
questions!

Bring donations to: 2452 Alton Parkway
Irvine, CA 92606



Thank you to everyone who contributed!

- Ms. Campbell
- Ms. Tuchman
- Kahla Magbenga
- Anna Lieggi
- Natalie Fu
- Luna Schaffer
- Sana Hamid
- Ria Kundu
- Avlyn Singer
- Lea Ner
- Riley Thai
- Selin Bennett
- Mrs. Ner

Letter from the Editor

Happy New Year! Good luck to anyone with finals this week, and congratulations if you've finished! If you would like to include something in the newsletter, feel free to reach out to me at kykythongsrinoon@gmail.com