

Assistees

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8th graders picking up supplies together!

IMPORTANT DATES

Library Craft Day at University Park Library- March 1
(11:15 am - 1 pm AND 1 pm - 2:45 pm)

Ronald McDonald House Cafe - March 8
(7 - 11 am)

Mandatory Parent Meeting (6:15 pm),
Class Meetings (7 pm), and Regular
Meeting (7:45 pm) at Rancho San
Joaquin Middle School - March 18

Meet & Greet at the University
Community Center - March 22 (2 - 3:30
pm)

Letter from the Coordinator: Mrs. Tuchman

A huge thank you to the Nominating Committee for their hard work drafting a slate of officers for the 2020-21 fiscal year. And to those members who said “yes” to filling a leadership position, thank you too. Your efforts on the Governing Body, as committee chairmen or in appointed positions will continue to help our organization grow and flourish as we better meet the needs of our city.

As you know, we reached a milestone this year...100 members strong! We are one of the largest Assisteens auxiliaries in the nation and more and more Irvine teens are hearing great things about us. Please let your friends know about our Meet and Greet for prospective members on Sunday, March 22, from 2-3:30 pm at University Community Center, 1 Beech Tree Lane, Irvine. Maybe they would like to join us! For more information about membership, have your friends contact Mrs. Gopal, Membership Registrar, at aliteenmembership@gmail.com

Our philanthropies are going very well due in large part to our parents. To say a simple “thank you” for your time and effort doesn’t begin to express our gratitude. Assisteens of Irvine wouldn’t be as successful as we are if you weren’t as supportive as you are.

Assisteens – as a reminder, if you sign up for a philanthropic event, please attend. We’re counting on you. But if something does come up that prevents you from attending, please let the chairman of the event know immediately. Thanks!

As always, everyone, thank you for your commitment to making a difference in our community and for being such outstanding representatives of Assisteens of Irvine!



Parents/Guardians, we are looking for a new Assisteens Coordinator for 2020-2022! Please contact Mrs. Tuchman for more info!

Letter from the Chairman: Isha Shah

Hi everyone! One of our goals for this year is to increase participation in our philanthropies, so try to volunteer in a new philanthropy if you get the chance. Committee Chairman nomination forms will be coming out soon, so keep an eye out for that. We also have a very exciting Meet and Greet coming up on March 22 for potential new members to learn about joining Assisteens. Please help spread the word to 6th-8th graders and their parents.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting,
Isha:)



Announcements

Governing Body 2020-2021

The Governing Body Nominating Committee has chosen officers for the 2020-21 year.

Membership will vote upon the slate at the March general meeting, so please attend to cast your vote.

2019-2020 Governing Body

Chairman:

Isha Shah

VC Membership:

Isha Das

VC New Members:

Zara Hamid

VC Philanthropy:

Kathleen Overbaugh

Assistant VC Philanthropy:

Anvesha Srivastava

VC Fundraising:

Madison Weiss

Assistant Treasurer:

Katelynn Pi

Recording Secretary:

Tara Nguyen

Corresponding Secretary:

Sana Hamid

Publicity:

Luna Schaffer

Parliamentarian:

Avlyn Singer

Newsletter:

Zaina Shaik

Junior Liaison:

Katell Mahaigierie

Governing Body Feature: Tara Nguyen

What is your role as Recording Secretary?

As Recording Secretary, I take notes during Governing and General Body Meetings, and I keep the minutes in a folder for all Assisteens to view if they miss a meeting or want to go over what happened during a meeting.



How is your role important to Assisteens?

My role is important to Assisteens because I keep a record of everything that happens during every meeting.

Why did you want to be Recording Secretary and what's your favorite part about it?

I wanted to be Recording Secretary because I enjoy taking notes. My favorite part about being Recording Secretary is that I can help people catch up in case they were absent at the meeting and that the meeting minutes can be on record.

What advice would you give to prospective Governing Body Members who want this role?

For anyone that is thinking of applying for Recording Secretary, you definitely need to be organized, and get used to typing fast!

Governing Body Feature: Sana Hamid

What is your role as Corresponding Secretary?

As the corresponding secretary, my primary role is to put together crafty cards, typically to say thank you to the people who help us make our various philanthropies possible.

How is your role important to Assisteens?

I strongly encourage those who are interested to apply to be the corresponding secretary. If you have a flair for arts and crafts, or you really enjoy writing meaningful messages, this position is perfect. Throughout this 2019-2020 fiscal year, I've thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Governing Body and getting to do one of the things I love as per the request of my peers. So my word of advice to you is "Go for it!"



Why did you want to be Corresponding Secretary and what's your favorite part about it?

I chose to apply for the corresponding secretary since it seemed like a good way to segue into more important roles in the Governing Body. I also have enjoyed doing crafts and hand-making cards for quite a long time, so this position was one of the most appealing, as it gave me an opportunity to put this hobby to good use.

What advice would you give to prospective Governing Body Members who want this role?

Thank-you cards, though a seemingly simple gesture, help express our appreciation towards the philanthropic community for coordinating volunteer events with us, making it important in maintaining a good relationship with others. Also, when I make cards for people within our chapter, it is a way of us showing support for our members.

Warm Hugs

Warm Hugs is an important philanthropy providing bath towels and other necessities to abused women and their children who seek shelter at Human Options. A group of Assisteens created kits for Human Options at the Thrift Store on Feb. 15. Thank you to Chairmen Haley Don and Lauren Shiihara and everyone that volunteered!

Class Highlights

8th Grade Class Feature

By Mrs. Marcy Billings and Mrs. Michelle Lopez

What are your goals for the 8th grade class this year?

We want to work as a group to plan the meet and greet event and work on organizational skills and event planning. We are learning about personal presentation.

What is your favorite part about being the 8th grade class advisors in Assisteens?

That the youth are willing to spend their free time volunteering. Hopefully this will be something they carry on throughout their lives.

Anything else you'd like to add?

We are small but mighty. Please send new 8th graders our way.

How will the 8th graders be planning the New Member Recruitment Meet and Greet?

We have been been working on it all Fall and committees and working on budgeting for the event. Our them is Country Western and we are planning great food, games and music.



Fundraising

Total

Fundraising Goal:
\$5,000

Money Raised So Far:
\$3,607.44

See's Candies

Boxes Sold: 685

Money Raised: \$2,932.44

Total Gross: \$10,226.30

Membership

Membership Numbers

7th Grade: 6

8th Grade: 16

9th Grade: 31

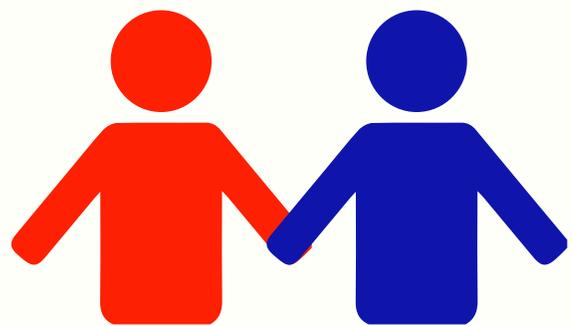
10th Grade: 20

11th Grade: 16

12th Grade: 11

Total: 100

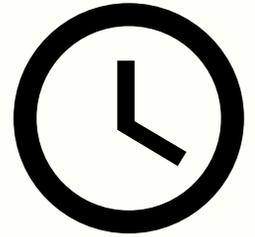
If you know any 7th or 8th graders,
please let them know about
Assisteens! It's always great to have
more members!



Hours

As your Hours Chairman, I check the teen hours email (teenhours@yahoo.com) and record hours from all members, email Class Advisors to remind their classes to send in their hours, and present the total number of hours served at the Annual Meeting.

All Assisteens must have 30 hours total, in which 15 of them must be philanthropy. For all parents, there is a minimum of 10 hours, and it is recommended that they serve three shifts at the ALI Thrift Shop. As for how to turn in your hours, simply complete and email your hours form (you can find it on the Assisteens website) along with the activities you did that month, to the teen hours email listed above. I will then create a spreadsheet for all of the members, including name, grade, intraleague, fundraising, philanthropy, total, and parent hours. Make sure to turn in your hours each month and have a great school year!



-Ritika Ramnani

Letter from the Editor

A huge thank you to all those who contributed to this issue:

Mrs. Tuchman
Mrs. Mickelson
Mrs. Marcy Billings
Mrs. Michelle Lopez
Isha Shah
Tara Nguyen
Sana Hamid
Madison Weiss
Ritika Ramnani

Hi everyone! I'm Zaina Shaik and I am the Newsletter Editor this year! I'm super excited to feature all the wonderful things Assisteens do.

If you have any events or announcements that you would like me to include, please email me at zainashaik02@gmail.com.

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter. I hope you enjoyed it!