

ASSISTEENS NEWSLETTER

November 2024, Issue #4



Upcoming Events:

Thrift Shop Staffing - 11/16
Assisteens General Meeting - 11/20,
7:00, Venado Middle School
Baby Layettes - 11/24
Library Crafts - 12/7
Farm & Food Lab - 12/8
See's Packing - 12/8
See's Pickup - 12/14





COORDINATOR'S MESSAGE

Ms. Campbell

Hopefully most Assisteens were able to attend their October class meetings and also get some volunteering in last month. Many thanks to Assisteens Class Advisors for their time and planning! I am also pleased to see many other parents helping out with philanthropic and fundraising events. Being supportive of your children and their community service is important, and working alongside them is truly inspiring.

This past month, Assisteens were asked by advisors to donate towards Thanksgiving food baskets for Families Forward. Those donations are much appreciated by the families who receive them. For November/December, each class will adopt a family for the holidays and shop for toys, clothes or whatever is on the family members' list. This seasonal giving is in Assisteens' philanthropic budget, and funds will be provided. At our November 20th general meeting, Assisteens have the opportunity to donate "gently used" children's books to OC Rescue Mission. Look for more information from Maddie Tran about this philanthropic giving.

October was filled with fundraising and philanthropy. Recycling made \$185 from donations, and \$122 was raised from Chipotle. Assisteens helped kids create at Library Crafts, cleaned up the beach at CdM State Beach, stocked shelves at the OC Rescue Mission warehouse, put together craft kits for Human Options, shopped for Human Options residents, gardened in the open space at Back Bay Newport, worked at ALI Thrift Shop, and created hundreds of balloon animals for over 300 kids at Ronald McDonald House's Trunk or Treat. Very busy!! Thanks again to all the chairmen and parents who organized and participated in these events.

Coming up at Assisteens' November 20th General Membership meeting, we will be discussing the nomination process for the 2025/2026 Governing Body positions. Nomination forms will be sent out after the meeting and are available on Assisteens website. In February, the 10 elective Governing Body members will be selected by a Nominating Committee which is comprised of two members from each Assisteens' class. The slate of officers is then voted upon by the entire membership at the March meeting. I know this seems like a long way off, but since we don't have a December meeting, the process needs to start now, with nomination forms due by the January 15 th meeting. More information will be presented at this month's meeting, along with speakers and class meetings.

Remember to bring your See's Candies order forms and checks made out to ALI on November 20th!

MESSAGE FROM ALI PRESIDENT- JANET LISLE



Assistance League of Irvine is looking for a part-time bookkeeper to help us with our financial responsibilities. It will require about 8–10 hours a month and would start in the new year. This person will need to know Quickbooks and will help us with reports. Please let me know if you or someone you know would be able to help us by taking on this position. Thank you.

Please send all inquiries to my email below.

Janet Lisle. ALI President janetslisle@aol.com





CHAIRMEN REPORTS

Chairman N K F U L



Kamryn Thongsrinoon

"Hi Assisteens,

I hope everyone had a fun Halloween! Our next general meeting is November 20th; so excited to see you all there! Make sure to turn in your See's Candy orders before or at the meeting. We have more volunteer opportunities coming up so look out for emails from Ms. Campbell on that. If you haven't joined the Remind already, text eirvine 25 to 81010 to join."



"Remember to submit birthdays to Valerie via the form she sent out. If you joined Assisteens after the form was sent out, contact Valerie at valerienoria@icloud.com. We are hoping to have a guest speaker at our November 20th general meeting."



V.C. Membership



Riley Thai

CHAIRMEN REPORTS

V.C. New Members



Kyle Schaffer

"Assisteens membership is closed except for the 7th grade. If you are a 7th grader with a friend who might like to join, invite that friend to a meeting. Be sure to contact your class advisor ahead of time." JC

"Hi Assisteens! At the September General meeting, Food for Families collected over 146 pounds of food, so great job collecting! For this month, there is an upcoming Help the Homeless event on the 12th. If you do sign up for that, make sure to read over the description and the requirements beforehand. Additionally, there is an upcoming OC Parks event on the 13th. Also, be sure to start collecting any books (K-12) you may have and not read anymore, as we will be collecting book donations at our November general meeting. Thank you for another great

month!"

V.C. Philanthropy



Maddie Tran

CHAIRMEN REPORTS

Asst. V.C. Philanthropy



Brandon Chiang

"Over the month of October, Assisteens volunteered in many events, including helping kids make crafts at Library Crafts Day, passing out candy to families at the Ronald McDonald House, and assembling craft kits at Krafts 4 Kids. Assisteens trained in balloon crafts made balloon art at many of these events. Be on the lookout this month for the Breakthrough T1D Walk event on November 9 and the Baby Layettes event on November 24."



"Assisteens is so lucky to have so many wonderful supporters. Since our last general meeting, \$4497 has been generated through donations and fundraisers! 20 contributions were made through ALI's Igniting Potential which was matched by the Lyle Foundation to equal \$3600. Handel's and Chipotle fundraisers brought in \$212, and Recycling made a new high of \$185. To top that off, ALI members Bruce and Audrey Comings donated another \$500 just because they think Assisteens are terrific!"

V.C. Fundraising



Ella Wong



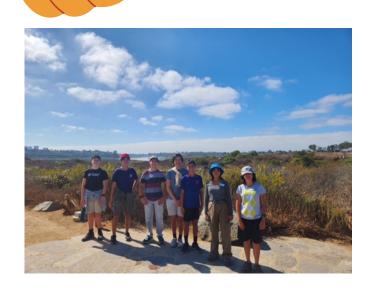


OCTOBER EVENTS



RMH Trunk or Treat









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Farm & Food Lab













SPECIAL THANKS TO...

Ms. Campbell
Kamryn Thongsrinoon
Riley Thai
Kyle Schaffer
Maddie Tran
Brandon Chiang
Ella Wong



Letter from the Editor

Hi Assisteens! Please make sure to send photos of any events and philanthropies you partake in to my email: Vinenguyen@gmail.com.

Thank you for reading!