

## **ASSISTEENS**

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The 7th grade Class Meeting featured Assisteens showing off their taekwondo skills!

#### Upcoming Events...

- OC Parks Back Bay restoration March 10th
- Assisteens Thrift Shop Staffing Day March 16th
- CdM State Beach Cleanup March 17th
- General Meeting and Mandatory Parent Meeting March 20th
- Miracles for Kids March 23rd



#### A letter from the coordinator...

#### Ms. Campbell



Assisteens has now entered its 4th quarter of the year, so the calendar is filling with final 2023–24 events and looking towards 2024–25. The upcoming general membership meeting is an important one to attend since we need a quorum (simple majority) to vote on the new officers of the governing body. Committee chairmen will also give presentations to tell members about chairmanship responsibilities and hours in those positions. Following the membership meeting, Assisteens can apply for the various chairman positions on the Chairman Request Form 2024–2025 which will be emailed out soon.

The Wednesday, March 20 th General Membership Meeting will be held at Jeffrey Trail Middle School, 155 Visions, since Venado was not available. Besides the general meeting beginning at 7:00, there will also be a mandatory Parent Meeting which will take place during class meetings. Please plan to arrive by 6:50, so we can get started on time. Remember to RSVP on Track it Forward for both Assisteen and parent. Parent hours are also recorded in Assisteens' total hours sent to ALI.

In April, Assisteens will be holding a Meet & Greet for potential new members. At this time we are mostly full in grades 7 and 8, but if you know of a teen who might be interested in joining, have them contact Membership Registrar Janice Jim, and she can put them on the waiting list. Obviously, for current 6th graders going into 7th next year, the class is wide open, so please help get the word out. The Meet & Greet is scheduled for April 14th, 10–12. Remember, to continue in Assisteens, members should be in "good standing," having attended most meetings and volunteered 15 hours towards our philanthropies.

Finally, more information will be coming about Assisteens 'End of the Year Banquet which will be held Sunday, May 19th from 4–6 p.m. The 10th grade class has been planning the event, and it should be a wonderful culmination of 2023–2024.

# Chairmen Reports

### Chairman

Kamryn Thongsrinoon



"Hi Assisteens,

We are a few months away from the end of the school year so please continue to volunteer and attend meetings! If you are struggling to sign up for philanthropies quickly, just know that you are always free to volunteer at the thrift shop anytime! Please also continue to submit your hours on track it forward."



# V.C. Membership

Kyle Schaffer

"Hey Assisteens! For February class meetings, since there is no place to RSVP on Track it Forward, you can just input your hours manually on the website. For the general body meetings, however, make sure to RSVP in the events tab; then you won't need to input hours after the meeting. Also if you are a chairman for a philanthropy and arrived early or stayed later than the actual time, you can write that in the comments, and I will add your extra hours. Also, don't forget to record your prep time. Finally, if you have not received a happy birthday letter from Valerie, make sure to email her at <a href="mailto:valerienoria@icloud.com">valerienoria@icloud.com</a>."



## V.C. New Members

Riley Thai



"We had a successful Big Buddy/Little Buddy event at the last general meeting. Keep submitting your hours!!"

# V.C. Philanthropic Programs

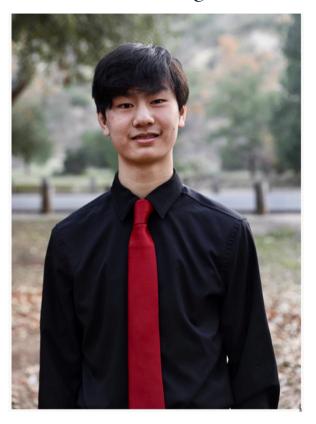
Jolie Wu

"OC parks has an upcoming event on March 10th at Back Bay Newport where they will be helping with restoration. They previously had a successful event on February 11th also at Back Bay. Help the Homeless has rescheduled their event to April 13th, and be on the lookout for an email about Food for Families as they are planning the next donation drive for the March 20th meeting. Thank you to everyone who has been volunteering!"



#### Asst. V.C. Philanthropic Programs

Brandon Chiang



"During the Beach Cleanup event, the Assisteens collected over 13 pounds of trash at Corona del Mar. In early March, the Assisteens also created balloon animals for kids at the library in the Library Crafts Day philanthropy. Through the Krafts 4 Kids and RMH philanthropies, Assisteens made over 20 Valentine's Day-themed kits and 30 self-love-themed care packages for the families staying at RMH, respectively. Later this month there will be a Miracles for Kids event on March 23, and be sure to look out for any upcoming events announced by email."

## V.C. Fundraising Chairman

Alyse Nguyen

Recycling had an event on February 17th, where they made \$135.13. The next recycling event will be on April 20th. They've made a total of \$569.91 throughout the year so far. The last thrift shop fundraising day, also on February 17th, made \$878. Lastly, there is an Assisteens fundraiser with The Kebab Shop planned for Thursday, March 21st. The flyer is attached below.



### Publicity Chairman

Elyse Wong



"Hi Assisteens! I recently updated the Assisteens Instagram and will be posting reminders more often. If you haven't already followed us, make sure to do so @assisteensofirvine."

#### The 7th Graders' Class Meeting!























# IS GIVING 50% BACK TO:

## **Assisteens of Irvine**

Thursday, Mar 21
All day

The Kebab Shop 14431 Culver Dr Irvine, CA 92604

To participate in this fundraiser, show this flyer during checkout at the store or order online at order.thekebabshop.com using the fundraiser coupon code below.

#### FUND RAISER

This fundraiser event is between Assisteens of Irvine and The Kebab Shop. The Kebab Shop will donate 50% of qualifying food and beverage sales to Assisteens of Irvine. Additional sales exclusions may apply including: Delivery, Catering, any other promotions. Offer valid only on select date(s) and location(s). Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the store. The Kebab Shop may impose additional terms and conditions.



# FOOD FOR FAMILIES FOOD DRIVE

The Families Forward food pantry is in need of the following items to provide for families in need. Donations are greatly appreciated, and we will be collecting them at Assisteens meeting on March 20,2024!

- Canned chicken
  - Chili beans
  - Black Beans
- 2 lb bags of rice
  - Cereal
- Peanut Butter

hank you for your contribution!







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# Greek-Themed Year-End Banquet

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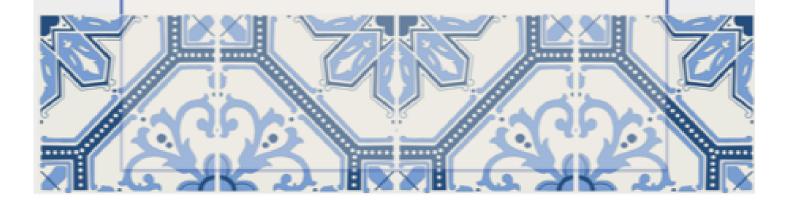
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## Special Thanks to...

- Ms. Campbell
- Kamryn Thongrinoon
- Kyle Schaffer
- Riley Thai

- Jolie Wu
- Brandon Chiang
- Alyse Nguyen
- Elyse Wong

### Letter from the Editor

Thank you for reading!





"Hi Assisteens! Make sure to send any pictures from events and philanthropies to my email:

mad.tran26@gmail.com so I can include them in the Newsletter!"