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ASSISTEENS NEWSLETTER

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March Events:

Library Craft Day - 3/1 RMH McBakers - 3/8 Thrift Shop Staffing - 3/15 Recycling - 3/15 Farm & Food Lab - 3/16 Assisteens Meeting - 3/19











Wow! Time is certainly flying by!

Assisteens has two more months of the 2024-25 year, since our year ends May 30 th . Most Assisteens have put in many hours with a few already almost to the 100 philanthropy hours required for the President's Volunteer Service Award. That will be a topic of discussion at the April meeting when both Assisteens and parents will be expected to attend. *Note: Mandatory Parent meeting has been moved to April. In the meantime, there will still be plenty of opportunities to volunteer for our many philanthropies. Keep watching your email and sign up.

February class meetings mostly involved preparing and serving meals at Ronald McDonald House. Cooking and baking together gave Assisteens a chance to help those families housed at RMH as their children go through medical procedures at CHOC Hospital, and many of our teens also gained some important life skills.

Speaking of life skills, volunteering as an Assisteen chairman is a wonderful way for our members to learn organization, responsibility, and leadership skills. At the upcoming general membership meeting on March 19th, current chairmen will describe their positions, and we will discuss the process for submitting 2025-26 Chairman Request Forms. There are many positions with co-chairing as an option, so think about becoming more involved and an instrumental part of serving the community as an Assisteen chairman. The more philanthropies you volunteer for, the more you will get to see what is involved in various chairmanships, so be sure to try as many as possible.

Looking towards the end of our year and the beginning in June of the 2025-26 year, Assisteens and parents are encouraged to invite other teens to join us next year. Get the word out and invite a friend to go on Assisteens' website, assisteensofirvine.org, and submit an interest form to Membership Registrar Janice Jim at aliteenmembership@gmail.com. They will then be on the invitation list for "Assisteens' Potential Member Meet & Greet" hosted by the 8th grade class on Sunday, April 27th . If there is space available in the class, new members can join in grades 7-10. Unfortunately, many teens realize they need community service at the end of 10th grade, and it will be too late to become an Assisteen member.

Keep volunteering and submitting hours, and I hope to see you at the March 19th meeting.





Hi Everyone! Please collect recycling materials (aluminum cans, plastic bottles, and glass) from family, friends, neighbors, and more to help fund Assisteens! This will help Assisteens in their effort to support others. The recyclables will then be reused which will support the earth and make our planet a little more green:)

Also make sure they a<u>re recyclable (aluminum cans, plasti</u>c bottles, and glass with the and no milk bottles) Assisteens must donate pre-sorted recyclables for one philanthropy hour.

Please drop off your recycling behind the Assistance League of Irvine Thrift Shop, 2452 Alton, between 10:00am-11:30am on March 15th. If you have any questions, contact us at 949-373-6918(NathanH) or 949-735-4075(RyanB) Thank you!

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 find philanthropies to sign up for, know that you are always free to volunteer at the thrift shop anytime! Please also continue to submit your hours to track it forward."



"Keep submitting hours because the end of the year is coming up and don't forget to make sure your birthday has been sent in."



V.C. Membership



Riley Thai

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V.C. New Members



Kyle Schaffer

"There will be a Prospective Member Meet & Greet hosted by the 8th grade class on Sunday, April 27th. Be sure to tell your friends about Assisteens and invite them to attend the Meet & Greet. Have them contact Membership Registrar Janice Jim at aliteenmembership@gmail.com.

Be sure to RSVP for the March 19th Assisteens meeting.

(J. Campbell)



V.C. Philanthropy

"Hi Assisteens!

Last month, we had a plethora of successful events, including Beach Cleanup, Help the Homeless, and Thrift Store staffing day! There will be many upcoming events for this month, so Assisteens make sure to get your hours in! We have a Farm and Food lab event on Sunday, March 16th, as well as a later event for Help the Homeless on April 12th. There will be an upcoming beach cleanup next month also, specifics are TBD, so keep checking Mrs. Campbell's emails! We are having a problem with understaffing in many of these events, including Library Craft Days, OCRM Reading Events, Thrift Store shifts, and more, so Assisteens if you can please sign-up! Our end of year is nearing, and all Assisteens should meet their hour requirements by then."



Maddie Tran

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Asst. V.C. Philanthropy

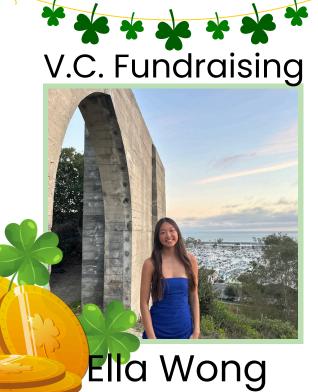


"Recently, each class of Assisteens has volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House, helping to prepare breakfasts and dinners for families in need. Assisteens have also made blankets at Baby Layettes and helped kids assemble crafts and make balloon art for them at Library Crafts Day. Be sure to look out for the next Baby Layettes event on April 6 and the Library Crafts Day with Balloon Art event in early April."

Brandon Chiang



"Hey Assisteens! Make sure to save your cans and bottles for our next recycling event on March 15. Also, be on the look out for our next restaurant fundraiser. Keep up the good work!"





PAST EVENTS





RMH 8th Grade Class











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RMH Senior Grade Class







Beach Clean Up



SPECIAL THANKS TO...

Ms. Campbell Kamryn Thongsrinoon Riley Thai 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!