

THE CHANNEL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Clothe-A-Child — Meet at the Eagles at 6 AM December 12. You will be assigned a child to take to Kmart for them to pick out their Christmas gift of clothing (last year it was \$125 each). A fun experience that brings back memories.

Christmas Party Social December 19 3 PM at the Strain's home, 3685 Reservation Dr. Pot luck and bring a \$20 gift exchange. Let's have a Merry Christmas together.

100° Day Contest. Letters to the merchants go out shortly. We are looking at continuing at Smith's and Basha's beginning early January and going until late March. We will have a sign-up sheet at the first January meeting.

Garage Sale. Check for donations. Will be at the **Bulger's** house in February. February 19 & 20..

River Cities Area Special Olympics Track and Field Games — Our #1 important service project of the year that we just call "the March Games" — March 19th.



Potpourri

On November 14 we had a pot-luck at the **Bergens** to work on submission of award forms to the District and International.

CIVITAN ANNIVERSARIES

November

Ron Allen — 11 years

Brian Commended

Brian Strain received a surprise package containing an American flag with embroidered stars.

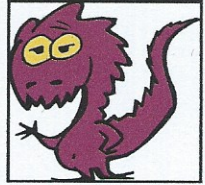
The accompanying note was from one of his students from long ago that is now in the military.

Also included was a letter from President George W. Bush.

Brian will tell the story at our next meeting.



Member Happenings



Vicki Gwynne had her second Area Director experience Nov. 10 as the **Bergens** drove her to the Sun City Civitan Club meeting in Phoenix ✂ **Vicki** was another \$50 football ticket book winner on November 23rd ✂ **Don and Chris Bergen** have returned from their annual train-trip ride to their daughter's family in Topeka, KA ✂ On an overnight visit to Laughlin before that, **Don** hit a royal flush, won 2 bingos and our football pool ✂ **Melynda Bulger** is doing speech therapy to treat her hoarse voice. Finally starting to sing a little in the choir after 8 months of not being able to ✂ **Pat Holt** is taking care of a sick sister in CA ✂ **Sandy Van Sant** had her sister here for Thanksgiving ✂ **Jeanne Hink's** Sister passed away from cancer—"all are now doing okay."

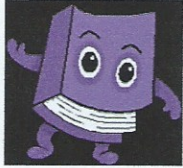
Don Hanak's contributions:
Knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is knowing not to put it in a fruit salad.

He who smiles in a crisis has found someone else to blame,

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Chris' Chronical

Boy, is this year going by quickly !! I hope all of you had a good Thanksgiving, and here we are in December already. This club may be small, but we are mighty! Invite a friend to our meeting. We have a very special Civitan in our club. Come to the Dec. 9 meeting to hear the whole story. There will be only one meeting this month.

We have a busy month ahead. The Clothe-A-Child is this weekend. We have five members signed up.

The Christmas party date and location has changed. It will be December 13 at the Strain's home.

Read more in the newsletter article. Keep Pat Holt and her sister in your prayers. Pat is with her in California.

Please start collecting things for the garage sale. Melynda Buolger has offered her house for the event.

GREAT LOCATION.
Please mark your calendars as we will need your help during the event.

COIN BOX TIPS

Seed your box with a dollar bill. Wash it good and scotch-tape seal it tight.

Whenever in a business with a box, thank the manager/owner.

If necessary, try to reposition the box for better visibility.

Past Meetings



Nov. 11: We celebrated Veterans Day by having **Del de La Garza** tell us about his military experience. He even had items to show us. Unfortunately Red Robin also celebrated the day by having the meeting room used for regular seating. Our meeting was somewhat hampered by this.

November 25: No meeting.

Special Olympics.

The Fall-Winter season is underway with basketball, being assisted by **Joyce McCloud** and **Chris Bergen**.



Head Coaches **Jane and Brian Strain** went to State competition November 6-7 in Phoenix.

Sherrie Fisher and **Jeff Cowell** were awarded silver medals at the golf event.

Donations

As we approach the year end, if you would like to make a donation to London Bridge Civitan Club and make sure it is tax deductible, use the following ...

Civitan International will serve as a flow-through to our club and is tax deductible. Mail your check to Keith Sheffield, Civitan International, P.O. Box 130744, Birmingham, AL 35213.

Make sure that you clearly identify with specific instructions that the distribution is to go to London Bridge Civitan Club, Lake Havasu City, AZ, Club #3166. Let Jane know.

December Birthdays



Chris Bergen – Dec. 1
Brian Strain – Dec. 8
Pat Rahnefeld – Dec. 14

Dates to Remember

December 9: Regular Luncheon Meeting at Red Robin Restaurant, Noon. Speaker: City Councilman, Don Callahan.

December 12: Clothe-A-Child #

December 19: Christmas Social #

December 23: **NO MEETING.**

January 6: Civitan Board Meeting, New Horizons Center, 4:30 PM.

January 8-9: Heart of the West—California Region 8 Meeting at Palace Station, Las Vegas.

January 13: Regular Quarterly Business Luncheon Meeting at Red Robin Restaurant, Noon.

January: 100° Day Contest #

February 19, 20: Garage Sale #

March 19: "March Games" #

March 20: Exceptional Rodeo.

See Upcoming Events on Page 1.

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