



DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



2nd QUARTER CIVITAN YEAR 2008/2009

MARCH 15, 2008



2008-2009 Governor Teresa Wakeman

Springtime is Recruitment Time--- April is Civitan Awareness Month

You will beam with pride, and your community will stand-up and cheer when you promote your club's projects and programs during Civitan Awareness Month in April. Here are a few ways you can prepare and take action:

- Place a radio or television public service announcement (PSA) on a local station or cable company.
- Contact your local outdoor advertising company about getting donated space on an area billboard to promote Civitan.
- Publicize a club project or fundraiser to the local media, and display banners and posters at the event to gain even more recognition!
- Request a proclamation from your local and/or state government recognizing Civitan Awareness Month.
- Share your Civitan Magazine with a friend, or invite a co-worker to a club meeting.

Whatever you do, make an extra effort to promote Civitan during this special month. For more ideas and instruction, review the new Public Relations Training Video or Guide for FREE at www.civitan.org/pr and pr@civitan.org.

Submitted by: Amy McLaughlin
Heart of the West, Public Relations

Fellow Heart of the West District Members:

The Heart of the West District is entering its fifth month of this Civitan fiscal year. The District has 16 new members but has deleted 23 members. As Civitan Awareness month is fast approaching, I hope is for clubs in the District to have recruitment meetings. Club Leaders can go to the Heart of the District website <http://www.heartofthewestcivitan.org/> for the Recruitment manual "Adding to your success". Also, available on the Heart of the West website is the "Talk Civitan" brochure. And as a Civitan member, I hope you will promote Civitan during this month. Let people you work with, friends, and associates know how great a service or community project is. Brag on Civitan! Request a Proclamation by your city council, local media to cover a project, display banners, and posters during the month of April. Get the word out how great Civitan is!

The District is holding a contest to design a new Heart of the West pin for the International Convention. The winner of the design will receive free registration to the Annual District Convention on July 9, 2009 at the Las Vegas Hilton. The designs need to be sent to me via email or mail to me by May 1st.

Clubs will need to have Club Elections in April or May. Civitan International will need to know by July 1st and Roger Smart, Governor-Elect will need to know before then as the District will offer President and President-Elect training at the District Convention in the afternoon of July 9th. Roger Smart, Gov-Elect will be sending out the Report of Officers for 2009-2010 year or you can download the form from the Civitan.org under Officer Resources.

Annual District Convention Registration will be included in this Newsletter. At the General Business Meeting during the day of July 9th District Officer Elections will be held. The district offices open for 2009-2010 are Governor-Elect, Area 2 Director, Area 4 Director, and Area 6 Director and Elected Past Governor. If you are interested in these offices you can go to the District website on the Policies and Procedures link and read 0300-0301 for Candidate Requirements and for 0302 District Officer Responsibilities. The District Secretary will be sending out more information about these offices from the Policy and Procedures to all Club Presidents.

I'm looking forward to visit with many over the next several months at area meetings.

Thank you for continued support of Civitan!
Teresa

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

**Civitan International Convention July 5th-8th @ the Las Vegas Hilton
Hospitality Room**

This year's convention, the Heart of the West District is in charge of the Hospitality Room during the convention!!!! I have been asked to Chair this committee and start the planning process of hosting the Hospitality Room. Thanks for all those that have stepped up to help and dedicate time to make the Hospitality Room Shine in Las Vegas.

This room will be where all members will be required to stop by to pick up goody bags, register for events, purchase raffle tickets, pick up convention packets, walk around and look at the "Show Case Civitan" displays from clubs all across the world, mingle, and revisit old friends. As you can see we will be looking for items to put in the goody bags, and raffle items.

We are also asking each club in our district to donate a case of water and some snacks for this room. Please be thinking of what you can donate to the hospitality room. We would also like to see each club "Show Case Civitan", putting a display together about your own club for everyone to look at while they are in the hospitality room.

Questions or comments, please feel free to email me at amclaughlin@ireland-bank.com or call me at work (208) 233-0022.

Thanks.....Amy McLaughlin Chair of Hospitality Room @ 2009 International Convention

NEWS FROM THE TUCSON AREA-AREA MEETING & JR CIVITAN CONVENTION

The **Tucson Clubs** will be hosting
a **Joint Area Meeting and Jr Civitan Convention** on
Saturday April 18th from 9:00 am until 1:00 p.m.
at the St. Pius X Catholic Church: Tanque Verde Room
1800 N Camino Pio Decimo

SEE REGISTRATION FORM AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER!!

The **Roadrunner Civitan Club** has been busy with projects

- in February – ENTRE AMIGOS
- In March – 4th Avenue Motorcycle Project
- Coming in April – Cresta Loma Golf Outing



WIN A FREE REGISTRATION TO THE
ANNUAL HEART OF THE WEST DISTRICT CONVENTION!
DESIGN A NEW HEART OF THE WEST LAPEL PIN
FOR THE CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN JULY
SEE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS



**Win a Free Registration to the
Annual Heart of the West District
Convention!**

**Design a new Heart of the West
Lapel Pin for the
Civitan International Convention in
July.**

**The Host District Steering Committee and
District Board will make final decision.**

**Designs need to be emailed or mailed to
Teresa Wakeman
562 Euclid Ave
Pocatello, Id 83201**

[Email: civitanteresa08@cablone.net](mailto:civitanteresa08@cablone.net)

Fax: 208-236-7387

BY May 1st, 2009

NEWS FROM THE PHOENIX AREA

News from Phoenix Metro Civitan



Members from **Phoenix Metro Civitan Club** provided and served Thanksgiving Dinner for residents of the Civitan House in Phoenix. Most of the members of the Phoenix Bird Civitan Club live at the Civitan House, which was build by Civitans in 1989.

Members of the club also attended the High Tea, a fundraiser for Lura Turner Homes, always a service project for Metro. Lura Turner Homes were started in 1968, which includes two resident homes, an Assisted Living Home (The Civitan House) and a day training program.



KIRK WARNER ULTIMATE FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE

Past and Present Civitans from Phoenix and Tucson joined in the High Tea fundraiser for Lura Turner Homes. They were making tea, scones, tea sandwiches, hosting tables or just having a good time.



Members from **Phoenix Metro Civitan** volunteered again this year to help Arizona Cardinal Kirk Warner with his **6th annual ULTIMATE FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE** First Things First (Matthew 6:33) benefiting his First Things First Foundation.

IN MEMORY – JACK ADAMS AND FRED KROLL

We lost two great Civitans last month. **Jack** joined Civitan on 1/1/1978 serving as Governor in 1985 and again in 2003. He loved to tell his Civitan story—How it had changed his live and his joy in Civitan. **Fred** became a Civitan on 5/1/68 celebrating 40 years in 2008. For many years he was the Turkey craver for Thanksgiving at the Civitan House. We honor both of these great men and miss them.

The **Phoenix Bird Civitans** have bee busy implementing the Civitan Creed and reaching out and helping others. In December they bought lot of toys and alone with a check gave their gifts at their Christmas party. Their first meet of the year was outstanding as we had Phoenix Wildlife Zoo come with 7 animals, best loved was the African Hedgehog.

For Clergy week they saw the movie The Four Chaplains. Horses Help received help for riding lessons for physically challenged children. The speaker from Crisis Nursery was well received and was already asked to return next year. The Club members all agreed to purchase gifts for the children and give a check. When all the toys are in the group we will bake cup cakes and take them over to the Center. This weekend several of the members were Stewards at Lath's Height Tea and prepared the cake plates, and later served the sandwiches, and cakes. Then they even stayed for the not so fun part of clean up. The next four months are full of learning and serving opportunity.

NEWS FROM THE IDAHO

Special Winter Olympics

Tera Hathaway, Special Olympian, was awarded this money for her sponsorship to the Special Winter Olympics Idaho being held in Boise, Idaho February 7th – 14th. As her sponsor, we helped her with all her expenses to compete in Snow Shoeing in McCall February 8th-12th. She competed in the 100 meters, 200 meters and on a relay team. There are only 24 athletes from Idaho competing. Tera is from Rigby, Idaho. When she returns from the games she will be attending one of our lunch meetings to tell all of us about her victories.



Bannock and Idaho Falls Civitans awarding Tera Hathaway her Sponsor check of \$3500.

Other News from Idaho

The 21st Annual **Bannock Civitan/Budweiser Indoor Golf Tournament** was held on **February 21, 2009** This is a great fund raiser with proceeds providing support for Pocatello Special Olympics, The Civitan/SEICAA Christmas Party and New Day Products and Resources. Bannock Civitans honored Pastor Jaequeline Thomas of Praise Temple of God and her Associate Pastor, Kimiko Callen during a luncheon during Civitan Clergy Appreciation Week.

NEWS FROM LAKE HAVASU



Ron Allen #21; Bill Clark #41 at Special Olympics Basketball Area Tournament

The London Bridge Civitan Club has been busy with Special Olympics. They are getting ready for the 18th Annual Colorado River Area Special Olympics Track & Field Games. This event is somewhat unique in Civitan As they do not just volunteer to help, they organize, sponsor, finance and run the event. In addition to the Lake Havasu City Athletes, teams from Bullhead City, Kingman, and maybe a new Parker team will complete. Teresa Wakeman, HOTW District Governor from Idaho, also attended this event. **The London Bridge Club** will also sponsor the Civitan BBQ for the athletes that will be competing the next day.

NEW FROM SOUTHERN NEVADA CIVITAN

Message from Area Director

Our Southern Nevada Civitan Area Social "Game Night" is on Saturday, March 7 at 6:30pm. All Civitans, family and friends are invited to this opportunity to have fun with members of all southern Nevada clubs. The leaders of each club will be sponsoring games such as blackjack and a pool tournament. Everyone will get to play multiple games with new friends plus have the opportunity to win fabulous prizes! Just bring a dish or beverage to share. Kids are welcome. To RSVP, go to <http://www.evite.com/app/publicUrl/GITILSJUDESDFLBUQO/civitan>.

Civitan Club on the Greens' first pre-charter service project will be the Third Annual Henry Prendes Golf Tournament on Friday, March 27 to benefit Henry's Place, a camp for at-risk youth in Cedar City, Utah. They need volunteers, tee sponsors, prizes, foursomes and twosomes for the 18 hole or the 12 hole or putting course. For more information, attend Civitan Club on the Greens's next organizational meeting this Friday, March 6 from 11:30am to 12:30pm at Best Buddies (500 N Rainbow, Ste 314) or go to www.civitan.net/civitangolf.

New Vista Community (www.newvistacommunity.org) has offered us a great opportunity to build Civitan awareness. In exchange for providing at least 30 volunteers for four of their Wine Walk fundraisers on Saturdays April 4, May 2, September 26 and October 17, advertisements will feature Civitan, we get to wear Civitan shirts, and we will get a Civitan information booth at each event. Volunteer schedules are from 5:30pm to 10:30pm and include an hour of training and set-up. **We still need at least 12 more volunteers for the first event on April 4.** I need to place shirt order for all of our volunteers soon, so please don't delay. Sign up now by going to www.mysignup.com/wine.

The **LOVELY LADIES CIVITAN CLUB** is only six months old, but has already made a huge difference in their community. They have donated useful items to the elderly; clean and warm clothes and food to homeless veterans; volunteered for handicapped programs; begun collecting baby items for teen mothers (St Jude's Home for Teen Mothers); earned lots of much needed monies through fundraising for their club; sponsored a new Civitan club and more. **LOVELY LADIES & CRESTA LOMA** (from Tucson) are sponsoring the new club in Southern Nevada, **CIVITAN ON THE GREENS**, along with Club Builders, Mark Eisinger, Robert Gomez and Kayla Brown-Cestero. They hope to charter in May or June. Congratulations to these Club Builders!

**SPEAKING OF MARK EISINGER,
DON'T MISS HIS INSTALLATION AS CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT!**

If you have not registered for the International Civitan Convention, do so this month.
Early Registration deadline is postmarked by April 30th.





The Heart of the West
 Annual District Convention
 Registration
 July 9, 2009 (1 day)
 Las Vegas Hilton
 3000 Paradise Road, Las Vegas,
 Nevada

Full Name of Civitan Member(s) _____ Guest
 Name(s) _____
 Badge Name _____ Telephone (_____) _____ - _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code _____
 E-mail: _____
 Civitan Club _____ Club Number _____

Thursday Events

General Business Session 9:00 am-12:30pm

Lunch is on your own

Boxed Lunch for President and President-Elect training 1:00 pm -5:00

Hospitality Room 5:00-6:00 pm

Installation Banquet 6:30- 10:00 pm

This includes Deluxe Continental Breakfast and the Thursday Night Installation Banquet

Number of Civitans _____ X \$85.00 = _____

Guest Tickets for:

Breakfast 8:30-9:00am Number _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Thursday Night Installation Banquet Number _____ X \$55.00 = _____

Late Fee (if received after 6-09-09) Number _____ X \$15.00 = _____

Total Enclosed (Civitans, guests both lunch, and dinner) \$ _____

If you are a Past Governors of any district you are invited to
 Breakfast Thursday July 9, 2009 from 8:00-8:30 Pavilion 1 (check if you are attending)

If this is a Club Registration- Please list names of all participants and guests on the reverse for the total number of people you are registering.

Make Check Payable: Heart of the West Civitan District

Mail Registration and payment to:

Teresa Wakeman
 562 Euclid Ave
 Pocatello, ID 83201

***Heart of the West Civitan
Area 1 Meeting & Junior Civitan District Convention***

*Saturday, April 18th, 2009
9:00 AM until 1:00 PM*

*St. Pius X Catholic Church: Tanque Verde Room
1800 N. Camino Pio Decimo
(Northeast corner of Pima and Camino Pio Decimo)*

Cost: \$10/person

Agenda

*9:00—10:00: Membership Meetings
10:15—11:00: Guest Speaker: Dr. John Cocke
Emeritus Professor of Astronomy, U of A
11:15—12:00: Junior Civitan District Awards and Officer Installation
12:00—1:00: Lunch catered by El Molinito's Mexican Restaurant
1:00: Adjourn*

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Send completed form and check payable to "Heart of the West Jr Civitan District" postmarked no later than April 7th, please, to:

*Theresa Cisler
800 N. Swan Rd. #128
Tucson, AZ 85711-1276*

Club Name:

Names of Members Attending: *Use separate sheet of paper if necessary.
Wear club name tags to convention.*

_____ Members X \$10 each = _____ amount due.

Contact Theresa Cisler at 299-1803 for further information or questions if necessary.