

ALF Purchases Hygiene Kits for Homeless Students

Members of Assistance League of Flintridge recently learned that more than 15,000 students in the Los Angeles Unified School District are identified as homeless, with more than 600 enrolled in schools in the neighboring Sunland-Tujunga area.

Working with the Homeless Education Program of LAUSD, the ALF Community Needs Assessment and Outreach Committee proposed purchasing hygiene kits for homeless students in Sunland-Tujunga. Committee chair was Linda Gill. Members included Rosalind Hilton, Barbara Mello, Mary Mieding and Maureen Swenson. ALF members enthusiastically approved the gift and voted to allocate the necessary funds.

The kits were delivered to the ALF Chapter House in La Cañada Flintridge, where ALF members organized and packaged the kits for delivery. Members of Retired Service Volunteers, an ALF philanthropic program for seniors who meet to work on tasks for other nonprofit organizations, also participated in the project. In coordination with LAUSD, the kits were distributed to students in elementary through high school.

Contents of the kits include needed items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, hairbrushes and soap, with deodorant and feminine hygiene supplies added for high school students.

At the May Assistance League of Flintridge membership meeting, Katie Rivezzo and Leah Jackson, Pupil Services counselors for the LAUSD Homeless Education Program, were invited to speak to ALF members about the chapter's donation of hygiene kits. Rivezzo and Jackson expressed their thanks and presented a Certificate of Appreciation to ALF.

"These items are always a major need," noted



Counselors from the LAUSD Homeless Education Program presented a certificate of appreciation to members of the ALF Community Needs Assessment and Outreach committee at a recent ALF membership meeting. Leah Jackson (front row, from left), Mary Mieding and Katie Rivezzo. Middle row: ALF President Jeanne Broberg, Rosalind Hilton and Barbara Mello. Back: Maureen Swenson and Donna Shepherd (ALF president-elect). Not pictured: Linda Gill, committee chair.

Rivezzo, whose focus is the Northeast section of LAUSD. She explained that counselors in the LAUSD program will distribute the hygiene kits, and will see to it that the kits are available to the students who need them. "For homeless students," noted Rivezzo, "school may be the only stability they have in their lives." She added, "This gift will be a significant contribution to these children and teens." She also thanked ALF members for their previous gift of shoe vouchers.

The ALF Community Needs Assessment and Outreach Committee also organizes "Make a Difference Day" in the fall, which donates new books to local schools and libraries. Past recipients have been the La Cañada Flintridge County Library; the special needs classroom at Paradise Canyon Elementary; and in Sunland-Tujunga, the Apperson Street Elementary School library and the Sunland Elementary School library. Schools or organizations in need of books are invited to contact ALF to be considered for future donations.

Members of ALF administer many community-based philanthropic programs that are supported through sales at the Bargain Box Thrift Shop. ALF welcomes new members throughout the year. The two ALF auxiliaries, Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals and Assisteens, also work on a variety of programs. For more information, visit ALFlintridge.org, or call (818) 790-1328.



Mary Mieding, Linda Gill (committee chair), Leah Jackson, Katie Rivezzo (LAUSD) and Maureen Swenson packed the hygiene kits into cars and transported them to the LAUSD for distribution.

Glendale Memorial and RadNet Form Joint Venture

Dignity Health — Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center and RadNet Inc. are pleased to announce a newly formed joint venture, which will provide expanded health services in the greater Glendale community.

RadNet and GMH opened Imaging Specialists of Glendale, a full-service, outpatient imaging center located at 700 N. Central Ave. Imaging Specialists of Glendale will provide MRIs, CTs, X-rays, ultrasound and fluoroscopy, and will complement GMH's existing radiology services.

Also, the Marcia Ray Breast Center will become the Marcia

Ray Breastlink Women's Imaging Center. The new MRBWI will continue a longstanding tradition of compassionate, high quality, patient-centered care. MRBWI will offer a full scope of complementary breast care services, which include the detection and treatment of breast cancer. The office is conveniently located in the same building.

"Dignity Health is one of the largest and most prominent systems in the country, and we look forward to successfully building an imaging platform within the Glendale community," stated Dr. Howard Berger, chairman of RadNet.

GMH Hospital President Jack Ivie concurs: "GMH is pleased to collaborate with one of the nation's leading health care companies, and the No. 1 Imaging Center Chain according to Radiology Business Journal. Partnering with RadNet will ensure that our patients have access to excellent care delivered with humankindness."

RadNet and GMH will pursue additional oncology and surgical services opportunities, and looks forward to offering comprehensive breast care center to existing and new patients in the greater Glendale community.

Glendale Memorial Hospital is located at 1420 S. Central Ave.

Free Document Shred Day

Real Estate Brokers John Calvo and Silva Hameline will provide free document shredding to La Cañada Flintridge homeowners on Saturday, June 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The mobile document shredding truck will be on-site to shred important and private documents at La Cañada Presbyterian Church (parking lot), 626 Foothill Blvd. For more information or to RSVP, call Calvo at (323) 816-6066.

Glendale Adventist to Hold Blood Drive June 14

Save a life and donate blood at Glendale Adventist Medical Center on Tuesday, June 14, from 7:15 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the main auditorium.

All presenting donors will receive thank-you gifts for donating

blood.

To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code Glendaleadventist, or call (310) 429-1025. The medical center is located at 1509 Wilson Terrace.

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POTTER PARTY!

Save the date

Festivities begin at 10PM on July 30th

The book purchase is the price of your ticket.

Pre-order recommended.

Activities begin at 10 PM

- Costume Contest
- Harry Potter trivia game
- Have You Seen This Wizard? Photo Booth
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