



Tiffany Circle

Society of Women Leaders



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Tiffany Circle Leadership Summit a Success

Sacramento Sierra Chapter Tiffany Circle Chair Tricia Meister, and Tracy Shields, the Chapter's Director of Public Support, recently attended the Tiffany Circle Summit in Washington, DC and had the opportunity to share event best practices with other Chapters across the nation. After the presentation, Tracy thanked Tricia, Brenda Crum, and Diane Thomas for all the work they have done to build the Sacramento Sierra Chapter's Tiffany Circle Society of Women Leaders and Tiffany Circle Friends.

National Tiffany Circle Chair Melanie Sabelhaus, Sacramento Sierra Chapter Tiffany Circle Chair Tricia Meister, and National American Red Cross Chair Bonnie McElveen-Hunter.

Board Members and Volunteers Honored at Annual Meeting

In an evening of celebration at the Sacramento Sierra Chapter's Annual Meeting on July 9, Board of Director's Chair Steve Turner presented farewell awards honoring three outgoing Board members. Eleni Lewis, Daniel Torolia, and Aaron Moss were each acknowledged for their dedicated leadership and commitment to the American Red Cross mission. Additionally, new Board members were installed, followed by volunteer recognition awards. Congratulations to the volunteer award winners listed below!



2008 Board of Directors (Front row, left to right): Justin Matheson, Heath Wakelee, Karen Eller, Grace Koch, Anita Yoder, Jim Connick, and Steve Turner. (Back row, left to right): Dick Brothers, Carol Burger, Gary Strong, Cathlene Dougherty, Bob DeMarco, and David Begnaud.

Clara Barton Award – *Sandy Stultz*

Frank Corti Fund Development Award – *DST Output*

Henri Dunant Award – *Steve Turner*

James McColm Lifetime Achievement Award – *Diane Thomas*

Joyce Raley Teel Humanitarian Philanthropist Award – *John H. & Agnes Mae Drew*

Linda Brandenburger Legacy Leadership Award – *Jim McColm*



Board Chair Steve Turner with Diane Thomas, recipient of the James McColm Lifetime Achievement Award



Master of Ceremonies and Sacramento County Sheriff John McGinness, Clara Barton Award winner Sandy Stultz, and Board Chair Steve Turner



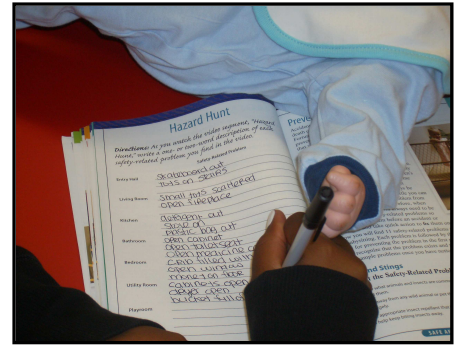
Tiffany Sponsors First Babysitter's Training Class

This summer, 19 Southland area youths received the benefit of skills they might not have otherwise obtained thanks to the Sacramento Sierra Chapter's Tiffany Circle Society of Women Leaders. At the training, youths age 11 to 15 earned certificates in American Red Cross Infant and Child CPR and First Aid Babysitter's Training, a \$75 value, for free or at reduced cost.

The two-day course was held at three locations in South Sacramento and Elk Grove. Tweens and teens, some with younger siblings at home, and some as young as 10 years old, came eager to learn child safety and life-saving skills, build a resume' to earn pocket money, and develop leadership and communication skills. What started out as a slow trickle of attendance, became a deluge by the time word got around. The final class had 13 students, and there's a waiting list of seven more youths who hope to register for the next sponsored series.

Student comments on what part of the class was most helpful: *"CPR.... I had been a little scared about what to do about an unconscious child. Now I know exactly what to do;" "...CPR... was actually cool;" "The telephone part of the DVD;" "Babysitting, I never took it before."*

Letters of congratulations were mailed to all the motivated young leaders who received training that certifies them to save lives, and prevent further harm in an emergency. Time, talent, and treasure in action.



Join the Tiffany Circle Society of Women Leaders

Do you have thoughts about sharing your time, talent, and treasure with the Red Cross as a modern-day angel? Do you see yourself assisting the mission to provide relief to victims of disaster and help others prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies? Do you want to strengthen communities?

If you've answered "Yes!" to any of these questions, please call Tracy Shields at 916-368-3136 about joining the Tiffany Circle Society of Women Leaders.

Become a Legacy Circle Society Member

The Legacy Circle Society is a society of donors who make life-end charitable gifts to the American Red Cross to benefit the Sacramento Sierra Chapter.

For answers to your philanthropic estate plan questions call Diane Thomas at 916-368-3178, or view her monthly article in Senior Magazine by visiting www.seniormagonline.com.

Event Set to Celebrate Local Heroes

Hometown Heroes is a Red Cross event that recognizes the heroic achievements of every-day people in our local community. This year's Hometown Heroes luncheon will be Tuesday, October 13 from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel, located at 2001 Point West Way in Sacramento. To purchase tickets to the Hometown Heroes luncheon, contact Trista Jensen at 916-368-3156.



Afternoon Tea: Sharing Our Time, Talent, and Treasure

On Saturday April 18th, at the El Dorado Hills estate of Kathleen and Gary Westover, the Sacramento Sierra Chapter coordinated the second annual *Legacy Circle and Tiffany Society of Women Leaders Afternoon Tea*. The ladies sported gorgeous hats to celebrate women who share their time, talent, and treasure as local area volunteers and donors, and to encourage their friends to do likewise.

A special thank you to the wonderful committee members: Marilyn Haugen, Darlene Neely, Tracy Shields, and Diane Thomas. The Afternoon Tea was emceed by Christi Black-Davis, Managing Director of Ogilvy Public Relations who also shared her personal experiences and commitment to the American Red Cross mission.

The Afternoon Tea, a stewardship event, is designed to share the Red Cross mission, the work done in major gifts, and promote the Red Cross brand. The day was rewarding in many ways, the best of which was having the opportunity to express appreciation to our current Tiffany Circle members and to meet and mingle with current and future Legacy Circle members.

Special thanks to **Treasured Tea Time** of Sacramento for tea and scones, Angie Zimmerman of **Heavenly Flowers and Events** who demonstrated floral design, pianist John Chacon, our tea servers (Oak Ridge High School student volunteers), and our champagne servers, men who volunteer for the Chapter (pictured to the right).



Volunteer Darlene Neely with event co-chairs Robin Bevier Esq. and Esther Aw



Emcee Christi Black-Davis (right) congratulates the hat contest winner



Gift planning chair Linda Brandenburger and her guests



Sacramento Sierra Chapter Tiffany Circle Chair Tricia Meister and her table of guests



Volunteer committee members Darlene Neely and Marilyn Haugen with Robin Bevier. What a view of the rolling El Dorado Hills!



Sacramento Sierra Chapter Public Support Director Tracy Shields enjoys the event



Join us on Facebook and YouTube

The Sacramento Sierra Chapter of the American Red Cross has joined the social networking site Facebook (www.facebook.com), to share information with volunteers, donors, and anyone interested in learning about our local programs and services. As a member of Facebook you can become a “fan” of the Sacramento Sierra Chapter’s page, or join the American Red Cross Sacramento Sierra Chapter “Cause”, where you can recruit volunteers or donors to the Chapter.

We've also created our own channel on YouTube (www.youtube.com) to share important videos with our constituents. You can go to www.youtube.com/arcsac to access our YouTube channel or to comment on videos that have already been posted. Please help our online community continue to grow by joining Facebook and supporting our channel on YouTube.

Another Way to Support the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross Sacramento Sierra Chapter has partnered with Pick-n-Pull to develop a hassle-free way for you to donate your car, truck, trailer, or boat and support the Red Cross at the same time.

Your vehicle donation is tax-deductible, with no hassle from the Department of Motor Vehicles, and the call and pick-up are both free. Call **1-866-773-3276** for more information.

Chapter’s Disaster Action Team Responds to Wildfires in Auburn

The Disaster Action Team from the Sacramento Sierra Chapter of the American Red Cross joined local emergency responders and the Office of Emergency Services on the scene of raging wildfires in the Auburn area on Sunday, August 30. Offering disaster services to those affected by the fires, the Team provided temporary shelter, meals, and clothing to the residents of more than 70 homes that were destroyed. Thanks to the Chapter’s Disaster Action Team and more than 90 volunteers who assisted in this response.

