Our Kiwanis Family House recently completed a fun fund raiser, entitled Course of Dreams.

Let’s see how this all began.

Take a look at this picture: What do you see?

Empty office space? Vacancy? Lost rentals?

When Kiwanis Family House Board Member Rita Beall saw a similar view some years ago, she saw: “Opportunity!” She reports: “The idea (of a course of dreams) was actually born about 12 years ago when I worked in the training department at a bank.

“My boss and I had an office on the second floor of the Howe Avenue Branch (in Sacramento), which was pretty empty except for us, some training rooms, and one other department. The floors had a weird slope, and we joked that we should try to play golf.

“Then we got to thinking that it would be fun to have branches and departments build holes and have a golf tournament, and the idea was born.

“Late last year, in one of our KFH Fundraising Commit-
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        | Annual Meeting

House Talk

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Would you donate 3% of your supermarket shopping to our Kiwanis Family House?

It is simple as 1-2-3
1. Do you shop at Save Mart, Smart, Food Maxx or Lucky Supermarkets?
2. If so scan your S.H.A.R.E.S card and the house gets a percentage. You still get the great sale prices and the rest.
3. If you do not have a card contact editor (page 10) and send your name and USPS mailing address. Editor will send you a S.H.A.R.E.S. card by return mail!
   Scan the S.H.A.R.E.S. card each time you shop!

Free money

There are still areas with Albertsons Supermarkets. Keep using your Albertson’s Preferred Savings Card.
Register your card by calling (800) 353-9002.

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- If you wish to receive it by US Postal Service contact Editor on page 10.

Donate a brick!

The memorial bricks cost $100 each. The lettering grid is 15 spaces across and three rows deep.

The bricks are installed in the courtyard of our Kiwanis Family House.

For more information or a brick order contact editor. See page 10.

See us at:

- August 15-17, 2013
  Cal-Nev-Ha Dist. Convention
  Silver Legacy Resort & Casino, Reno, Nevada

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These families from outside Cal-Nev-Ha District (California, Nevada, and Hawaii). From October 1, 2001 to June 30, 2003, (the effective dates of this report), 12,764 families have stayed one or more nights at our Kiwanis Family House while being treated at UCDMC and Shriners Hospital for Children®.

This report covers over 11 years. Previous to October 1, 2001 the reports were tabulated in a different format.

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Also, there have been families from:

- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada
- England
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Guatemala
- Haiti
- Israel
- Italy
- Mexico
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Pakistan
- People's Republic of China
- Republic of Palau
- Serbia
- Taiwan
- Uruguay
- Venezuela
- Wales

Division 7 and Division 44 are considered the "host" divisions. Families living within 35 miles of UCDMC are not eligible to stay at our KFH.

Aren’t you glad that there is your Kiwanis Family House in Sacramento, California?
William “Bill” Hooper, President of our Kiwanis Family House Board of Directors, announced that Charles “Charlie” Bussey, has been hired to fill the newly-created position of Operations Manager of our KFH effective July 22nd, 2013.

Currently Charlie is the president of the Kiwanis Club of East Sacramento Midtown. An alumnus of the University of the Pacific, is a 30-year member of Kiwanis.

He spent 28 years in the title insurance industry, where he gained management, supervisory, staff training, customer service, and operations auditing experience. More recently, he worked as an account manager and government relations liaison for FDI Computer Consulting, advocating for state motor vehicle agencies across the country to adopt electronic title programs.

Charlie previously served a brief temporary assignment with our KFH payroll. During that assignment, he supported the House Director by performing a variety of administrative support tasks and addressing several strategic plan action items.

Executive Director Dan Germain has expressed his gratitude by saying: "With Charlie’s hire in advance of our 30th anniversary in 2014, I am even more excited about our prospects for achievement. His focused attention on daily operations and supervision will free me to build relationships in the regional non-profit community, partner hospitals, and across Kiwanis International.

“We aspire to increase our profile and secure additional financial support for the great work that we do. Now that Charlie is on board, I will invest considerable time and effort in this networking campaign.”

YouTube is a video-sharing website. It was created in 2005 by three former PayPal employees: Chad Hurley, Jawed Karim, and Steve Chen in February 2005.

It has been owned by Google since late 2006.

With YouTube users can upload, view and share videos.

Take time to view the videos that explain our Kiwanis Family House, its mission, and the lives we touch.

- **Kiwanis Family House Story**
  [www.youtube.com/watch?v=696J-cbTcbI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=696J-cbTcbI)
- **Jennifer and Erica’s Story**
  [www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_JeK9-skRM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_JeK9-skRM)
- **Buddy’s Story**
  [www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ps5m8gbD34](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ps5m8gbD34)
- **The History of our Kiwanis Family House-Leona Bright**
  [www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHtiHoQW53M](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHtiHoQW53M)

An Evening with the Stars of our KFH

A full report on this event will be in the September issue of House Talk.

Thanks to all who made this a great success.

School is open!
Drive safely.
Cars can’t think...
Kids don’t think!

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Impressions
The monthly column by Dan Germain
KFH Executive Director

I hope all who volunteer their time and energy here at our Kiwanis Family House know how much we value them.

So many tasks would simply never get done without their passionate support.

Take, for instance, distinguished Kiwanians Jim Legler and Carol Frost.

These two special volunteers have taken on the weekly chore of mowing, trimming, and edging.

Consider also the Kiwanis Club of Sonora, which commutes to Sacramento on the fifth Sunday of any month that has one and has done so for years.

Greater Sacramento Kiwanis provides ongoing attention to our food and clothes closets.

The Reverend Ronald Beams, a Kiwanian, schedules hours every week to be available to guests who need his special care.

I have no doubt that all of this work is a labor of love for these dedicated supporters of our KFH.

Sincerely appreciating volunteers is one thing. Managing them effectively is another. As we proclaim in our current strategic plan, we envision a day soon when we will proudly tell audiences about improvements in this critical program.

Action items include:

- Conduct volunteer training and orientation.
- Develop a system of specialized volunteers, i.e., handyman, gardener, front desk, translator, etc.
- Develop a succession planning protocol for certain staff and volunteers.
- Develop a white board of activities and projects that need to be accomplished by volunteers.
- Periodically conduct recognition receptions for volunteers, Friends, Club Sponsors.

Consider giving certain KFH volunteers titles that describe their duties.

According to the Volunteer Management Resource Center, "Volunteer management is, at its core, selecting and supervising volunteers. Yet it is also much more than that. Volunteer management is a key position in the leveraging of an organization’s resources, on par with fundraising/development and human resources."

That certainly makes it sound very important. On the other hand, how hard can it be? After all: (1) volunteers are free; (2) anyone can manage volunteers; (3) you don’t need much time to manage volunteers; (4) you don’t need staff to manage volunteers - volunteers just show up and manage themselves.

Do these suggestions reflect reality or myth? If you say myth, I tend to agree with you.

As small and as thinly staffed as we are, can we afford the luxury of a structured and prioritized volunteer ‘Volunteer Manager’ that actually be effective?

We may find out over the course of the next year. Emily Chirk, a member of our KFH Board of Directors and a recent graduate of Sacramento State University, is stepping up to lead a renewed effort to address our strategic plan action items. If you know anything about Emily, you know that she achieves.

My optimism for this program, and for all of our developmental concerns, is also fed by the addition of an Operations Manager to our staff. I am pleased to announce that Charles Bussey joins us as a new member of the management team. I will write about our objectives in adding this position to the paid staff in next month’s column. Until then, I look forward to seeing all of you at the District Convention in Reno.

‘Dan Germain (916) 736-0116 dgermain@kiwanisfamilyhouse.org

August Priorities
We would greatly appreciate help in rebuilding our stock of shop tools, including:

- Hammers
- Power drill
- Power screwdriver
- Screwdrivers
- Stud finder
- Tape measures
- Tool cabinet
- Wrenches

Plus these items used for guest services:

- Clorox (or Lysol) disinfecting wipes
- Comet (or similar scouring powder)
- Glass or plastic drinking cups
- Liquid dish soap
- Lysol toilet bowl cleaner
- Silverware (the metal kind), primarily spoons and forks
- Unscented Kleenex or comparable tissues
- Windex (or similar window cleaning solution)

Kiwanis Family House August 2013 Wish List
Our Kiwanis Family House always has a ready Wish List of items that are needed. Perhaps you might want to add an item for our KFH when you are shopping. You might find it more convenient to mail us Sam’s Club or Costco gift cards and let us do the shopping. (The cards fit into mailing envelopes easily).

Mail to:

Kiwanis Family House
2875 50th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817

If you would rather deliver them to our KFH or give us a call give us a call at (916) 736-0116 to arrange a pick up.
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The fundraising committee consists of: Chris Creelman from Sacramento Suburban; Ronnie Escorpio from Sacramento State Circle K; Robert Tabares, faculty advisor at Pleasant Grove Key Club, Lorie and John Deering from Greater Sacramento, Martin Stevenson from Greater Sacramento, Rita Beall from Greater Sacramento, and Dan Germain.

"At first, we were thinking of having it setup in an empty building, but when we couldn’t find one, we decided that KFH would work as well."

The name Course of Dreams was Dan Germain’s brainchild, and yes, it’s play on words from the Field of Dreams - we even used the line, “If you build it, they will come” in the original flyer distributed to the clubs. We wanted a catchy name that would brand the event, and Dan’s was the winner.

Field of Dreams is a 1989 American fantasy-drama film directed by Phil Alden Robinson, who also wrote the screenplay, adapting W. P. Kinsella’s novel Shoeless Joe. The film stars Kevin Costner, Amy Madigan, James Earl Jones, Ray Liotta, and Burt Lancaster in his final motion picture.

Field of Dreams was nominated for three Academy Awards including Best Original Score, Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Picture.

Our Course of Dreams played out on Saturday and Sunday June 22nd and June 23rd Noon to 5:00 p.m. both days. Participation was about equal for both days, Saturday was slightly busier golfing, but more food per person on Sunday.

The success of this event, will make it an annual event.

There were nine holes built for this event:

1. Chris Creelman and Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club (clown hole),
2. Dan Germain (SLP theme),
3. John Deering (KFH and Tower Bridge) Voted Best Hole Design,
4. Greater Sacramento Kiwanis Club (Pebble Beach theme),
5. Placerville Kiwanis Club (wheelbarrow) Voted Best Theme Hole,
6. John and Lorie Deering (ELIMINATE theme)
7. Pleasant Grove Key Club,
8. Mary Hale for KFH Club (KFH House), and

There were 15 Tee sponsors: Adolphus McGee, In Memory of John Scudder Bailey; Div. 7 Lt. Gov. Steve McIntire; Div. 44 Lt. Gov. Rich Kocher; Past Lt. Gov. Div 44 Jim Legler; Edwin Markham Builders Club (Placerville, CA); Placerville Aktion Club; Kiwanis Club of Sacramento West; Kiwanis Club of Citrus Heights, Kiwanis Club of Lincoln; Wright Welding: Mesa Verde High School Key Club (Citrus Heights, CA); Bella Vista High School Key Club (Fair Oaks, CA); Rae Whitby-Bumper, Governor-Elect Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha District 2013-2014; and Chris Creelman/MSI Marketing, Rancho Cordova.

The Kiwanis Club of Placerville also manned the 19th hole both days, cooking, serving, and donating the ingredients for the root beer floats.

There were approximately 120 players, including adults, kids and KFH guests. Low score was carded by Charlie Bussey, one under par at 51.

Kiwanians attending the Cal-Nev-Ha District in Reno, will have the opportunity to play. The course will be schlepped there by Dan Germain, John and Lorie Deering, and Rita Beall. Look for us in the Exhibition Hall. We will be there based on Governor Gary Jander’s invitation.

President’s Message
by Bill Hooper (Contd.)

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for quickly because we are providing housing for the recovering patients and their families that need ongoing care.

The cooperation/partnership between UCD Medical Center and Shriners allows the talented doctors the hospitals share to serve the injured/ill children at Shriners and the injured/ill children and adults at UCD Med Center while Kiwanis Family House accepts the families and outpatients from both institutions.

It inspires Kiwanians to double our effort at the House as we realize we are not only helping heal families but we are making it possible for our hospital partners to serve many more patients in need because we are there.

Our Kiwanis Family House serves a partner resource, enabling more patients requiring extended care time required for complicated organ surgeries, serious burns, or cancer to be treated.

The quality of the care provided by these highly skilled doctors at the hospitals is obvious when you realize we have housed patients from all over the USA and several foreign countries. It is nice to have world class partners.

Thank you to all of you who support us and especially those of you who renewed, upgraded, or became “A Friend of Kiwanis Family House”.

We will continue our efforts to improve our recognition of all of the clubs and individuals whose generosity helps allow us to provide a room for a family in need. Thanks for being a part of the team!

Congratulations to Charlie Bussey on his selection as the new Operations Manager at KFH.

Next we hope you will all join us at the Cal-Nev-Ha District Convention in Reno for a round of miniature golf and in Roseville on August 26 for the Sixth Annual “Swing “FORE” KIDS Golf Tournament” at beautiful Sierra View Country Club.

Till next time.

Yours in Kiwanis Service, Bill bhoo pkg56@comcast.net

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Our Kiwanis Family House (KFH) guests watch TV in their rooms. But the TV’s in their rooms are wearing out.

Donate $300 so our KFH may purchase replacements. We are targeting Best Buy Store’s Insignia model which has a DVD player.

Families need diversions while worrying about family members. Televisions allow them to catch up on the news.

Recycling makes cents!

Donate ink cartridges, LASER cartridges, toner cartridges etc. to our KFH.

We even have a container for used plastic bags to be recycled. It helps the environment, lessens the impact on landfills, and makes cents.

If you work for a company, ask it if it will cooperate in giving you the items to take and donate.

Our KFH gets money when we turn them in for recycling. Recycling money is “green” and spends the same way with a lessening on the KFH budget.

Gifts of Appreciated Securities

If you have marketable securities that have grown substantially in value, the tax laws make it possible for you to make an important gift at a remarkably low after-tax cost.

A gift of appreciated securities generally qualifies you for an income tax charitable deduction equal to the value of the gifted securities, and it may also avoid the long-term capital gain tax on your unrealized capital gain.

You can deduct up to 30% of your adjusted gross income in the year of your gift. Any amount given in excess of 30% can be carried over and deducted for up to five subsequent years.

Usually a sale of appreciated securities results in a tax on your full gain – in other words, you keep only part of the profit. But if you donate those same appreciated securities to our Kiwanis Family House, there is no tax on your gain, even though your “profit” is counted as part of your charitable deduction.

Check with your Tax Advisor or IRS.

Become a friend!

Want to feel good about yourself? The become a Friend of our Kiwanis Family House. It takes an annual donation of $100 (or more). Information about memberships and ways to pay, is available at our website: www.kiwanisfamilyhouse.org

Want to feel better about yourself? Consider giving your friends and relatives the “gift” of becoming a Friend of our Kiwanis Family House.

These donations keep our KFH in operation and keeping our commitment of never having to turn any one away for lack of payment.
Researchers at the UC Davis MIND Institute are seeking adolescents to participate in a groundbreaking brain imaging study aimed at understanding one of the most critical aspects of autism spectrum disorders: how people with autism generalize things they learn to new contexts.

“One of the areas affected in many kids and adults with autism is their ability to learn in conventional settings. We believe this is because they have unique strengths and motivation patterns, which they use to tackle challenges,” said Marjorie Solomon, associate professor of clinical psychiatry and principal investigator for the research.

“We are trying to better isolate the kinds of strengths and challenges that people with autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) have with respect to learning,” she said. “We want to understand better the neurobiology of those strengths and challenges so that we can help them maximize their full potential in life.”

Solomon said that many of the behavioral treatments used with children with ASDs, such as applied behavioral analysis, depend upon learning. However, no one really knows how the brains of children with autism spectrum disorders function during learning tasks.

“It’s ironic that one of our major therapies never has been examined in this way,” Solomon said.

Solomon and her colleagues will use behavioral evaluations and brain scans to study what neuroscientists call ‘cognitive control’ and ‘reward processing’ to examine how people with autism learn.

Cognitive control refers to a person’s ability to flexibly process information and change actions depending on internal goals. It allows a person to read the word ‘green’ out loud even if the word is printed in red. Cognitive control is important in a variety of aspects of learning, including planning, problem solving and multitasking.

“We’re investigating why adolescents with ASD often show deficits in cognitive control and reward processing in laboratory tasks, and what brain regions are involved in these deficits,” said Jonathan Beck, the study’s coordinator. “We will use this information to understand the many strengths teens with ASD use to compensate in tasks that are difficult for them.”

To better understand the learning styles of people with autism, MIND Institute researchers will use computer-based behavioral testing. They will use functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) to pinpoint the areas activated in the brain while the participant completes a learning task. Participation in the study involves two visits to the UC Davis Health System campus, one to the MIND Institute and one to the UC Davis Imaging Research Center.

During the visits, participants will fill out questionnaires, complete computer-based brainteasers and puzzles, and have their brains scanned using fMRI while completing a learning task. The fMRIs show researchers which parts of the brain are involved during the tasks.

More than 100 children and adults with autism already are enrolled in the study. Additional enrollees are needed to reach the goal of recruiting 300 participants.

The researchers are seeking participants between the ages of 12 and 17 who are typically developing or who have been diagnosed with ASD.

Study participants will be compensated for their time, receive free assessments and will be given a digital file of their own brain scan.

Solomon said typically developing individuals, as well as those with ASD, have something to gain from participating in the study.

“Some get the pleasure of knowing they are helping people with autism, and those with autism get free testing that may help us to better understand their unique gifts,” she said. “We take the time to discuss their results and answer their questions. They also become associated with a system of care that specializes in helping people with autism. A lot of families like that.”

Individuals who are interested in participating in the study may contact Jonathan Beck at 916-500-4674 or solomonlab@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu.
"Letters, we get letters, we get stacks and stacks of letters…"

These letters are left at our KFH addressed to you. They are published to show our readers of the impact made by the staff and services of our Kiwanis Family House and UC Davis Medical Center. The letters are published as originally written and punctuated. This is to preserve the sincerity and spontaneity of the writer.

“I am so thankful that you guys let us stay at this wonderful place. “Thank you, the Kiwanis Family House!!”

“Your house saved me and my daughter’s lives. “Got us away from a mean man. “Thank You”

“We just want to thank everyone for their kindness and wonderful services you offer. “For many families this would have been a lot more difficult, without your love and support. “Staff is wonderful. “Thank you all.”

“Thank you– the people were friendly, the room neat, and the courtyard serene! “Thank you from Florida.”

“Our stay @ Kiwanis House was awesome. “During our little (name) heart surgery, we all felt very comfortable and well taken care of. “The kids has a blast and felt like it was their own special place. “(Name) sailed through the surgery and began recovery right here. “Thank you to all who work and volunteer for you. “Kindness and love made a scary and difficult time much more bearable. “Thank you from our family.”

“Thanks again. “I couldn’t have gotten thru the accident without all your wonderful folks for being there.”

“I’m here to be with a young man who was almost killed in a car accident– he has survived, but is waiting for his foot to heal. “An infection has been threatening to cause amputations. It has been a great blessing to be able to stay here. Thank you, very much!”

“My uncle is dying of liver cancer at UC Davis Hospital. I visited and was desperately looking for shelter. Kiwanis was the best place next to home. Thanks.”

“Dear staff: Thank you all so much for all your time. “God Bless you!”

Editor’s Note: I found out that there are “Day Passes” to our Kiwanis Family House. Here is how the system works.

A person would be referred to our Kiwanis Family House from the medical center. It would be a short term stay such as to cook a special meal for a patient in the hospital, to clean up and take a shower for having been up all night, to take a quick nap, to seek a quiet place for an hour or two to rest or to make a very difficult decision.

These “Day Passes” is another way that our Kiwanis House serves in ways generally not considered.

“My (family member) was running late for an appointment at the clinic. My first experience with ‘Kiwanis House’. I was uncertain what to find, when I arrived here. Very pleasantly surprised to what you provide here. Looking at the various writing in this book– I agree– Thank God you are here! “You should be very proud for what you do!! God Bless!”

“It has been an absolute pleasure to stay here. Thank you all for all the help and support you provided us within this difficult time. “Much love”

Become a KFH Team Member!

- We need more volunteers.
- Training is provided.
- Like to work by yourself? We have such chores.
- Like to take some fellow club members along, we can handle that.
- If you are a Sponsor Club consider having your members adopt one day each month and cover all of the shifts.
- Adopt an odd day to work, such as the 5th Saturday or week day.
- Work for a shift or two each month.
- Flexible hours.
- You can “work the desk and telephones” to free up the staff to do other chores.
- You can do “handyman chores” if that is what you would like to do.
- If you have a green thumb, there are projects to assist.
- “Hands-on” community service hours.
- Wonderful atmosphere.
- Volunteer your time.

Contact Executive Director Dan Germain at: (916) 736-0116.
Now you can help support the Kiwanis Family House by using Facebook. If you are on Facebook (or are planning on joining) you should “Like” the Kiwanis Family House page. Our goal is 1,000 Likes.

You can also click “Share” on any posting and this will share our stories with your Friends. It appears on their wall and news feed for Friends to see and spreads the message of Kiwanis Family House!

You can also “Suggest” a page to all your friends via a message. Just click on “Suggest to Friends” (the fourth link down from the logo) and choose the friends to whom you want to send an invitation to the Page.

You can post any comments, stories, or suggestions for other Fans to see, and it will also appear on your walls for your Friends to see.

If you want to reference something that is on the website, you should include a link to the Kiwanis Family House page along with your posting.

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6. Responses to the articles and authors unless indicated otherwise can be sent to the editor for forwarding.
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Our KFH Ambassador Program has been launched. The dictionary defines “ambassador as an official envoy; an authorized representative or messenger.”

To be a Sponsor Club is one thing, but communication is a two way street.

Because Ambassadors serve several clubs, they know the latest, and perhaps the best in fund-raising programs.

Because Ambassadors meet with other Ambassadors, they can find solutions and best ways to solve problems.

Ambassadors are here to inform.
Ambassadors are here to listen.
Ambassadors are here to remind.
Ambassadors are here to answer any questions.
Ambassadors are here to offer suggestions.

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With The Eliminate Project, Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. This deadly disease steals the lives of nearly 60,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year. The effects of the disease are excruciating — tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch.

To eliminate MNT from the Earth, more than 100 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. It will take US$110 million — and the dedicated work of UNICEF and every member of the Kiwanis family.