

VALLEY TEEN RANCH

GROUP HOME, TRANSITIONAL LIVING, FOSTER FAMILY & ADOPTION AGENCY

"building young lives"



Canoeing on the SJ River with the Parkway Team



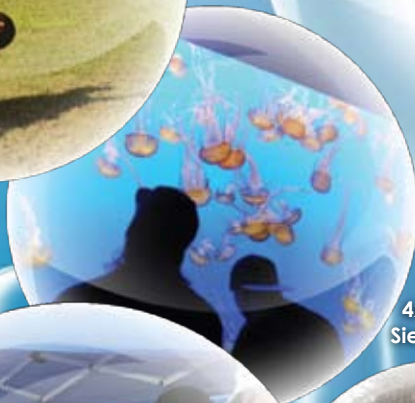
Summer camp at Calvin Crest



Dancing the night away at the Prom... with girls who "just wanna have fun."



Jellyfish at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. No one got stung!



4x4 Off-roading in the Sierras. Boys like adventure!



The Annual VTR/KYJO Summer Olympics. They all went for the gold!



Our boys serving breakfast with North Fresno Rotary. "Service above self"



FALL 2012

Upcoming Events

- Nov 20 Fost/Adopt Orientation
- Nov 21 Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov 22-23 Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov 27 Board Meeting
- Nov 28 Board/Staff Holiday Dinner
- Dec 7 Fost/Adopt Christmas Party
- Dec 18 Fost/Adopt Orientation
- Dec 17-20 Group Home Christmas Parties
- Dec 24-25 Christmas Holiday



Valley Teen Ranch's 25th Anniversary Celebration in May, featuring Stedman Graham.

Our Board of Directors lead on together, staying committed to our mission!



Stedman sharing with the boys at the ranch



The Walker family at the Anniversary celebration

Needs List

- Fishing Poles
- Basketballs
- Tackle Boxes
- Soccer Balls
- Fishing Lures



11th Annual Fashion Show Luncheon. Hats were Fabulous!

Thank You...

Arakelian Foundation
 Rotary Club of North Fresno
 North Fresno Lions Club
 Radin Foundation
 East Fresno Rotary
 LARCS

Memorials

A memorial gift is a very special way to express love and sympathy to bereaved families. It takes the memory of a friend or loved one and invests it in the future of a child at Valley Teen Ranch. Honorariums are a way to recognize special memories with living gifts to help build a better life.

In Loving Memory of
 Leona Lake

Given by
 Harry & Isabell Schoener
 Darrel & Gayle Price
 Ilene Wolf

Georgia Vanoni
 Kenny & Tori Alles
 Marlene Conner
 Gary & Janice Meisner
 Carol Downs
 Adeline Kezirian

In Loving Memory of
 Larry Kaprielian Sr.
 Margaret Josephine
 Don Arakelian
 Marian Bagdsarian
 Rose Koligian
 Marilyn Hodge
 Rev. Bernard Guekguezian

Given by
 Marion Melikian

In Loving Memory of
 Starr Madsen
Given by
 Dr. Paul Madsen

In Loving Memory of
 Migdalia Rivera
 Mabel Roderick
 Mary Jane Snyder
 Michael Coyle
 Elsie Seaberg
The Mothers of:
 Evelyn Holliman
 Steve Hoopes, DC
 Janet Capella

Given by
 Tessa Cavalletto

In Loving Memory of
 Anita Forath
 Catherine Dutto

Given by
 Carl & Marlene Evers

In Loving Memory of
 Julie Schlichting

Given by
 Bill & Shirley Schlichting

In Loving Memory of
 Jack Guinn

Given by
 Sheila Guinn

In Loving Memory of
 Ruth Wilkins
 Christopher Salomonson
Given by
 Carie Green

In Loving Memory of
 Myrla Roth
Given by
 Randi Maroukian

In Loving Memory of
 Michael Ribera
Given by
 Patrick & Wendy Smith
 Naomi's Bible Study

In Loving Memory of
 Bud Rank

Given by
 Susan Millard

In Loving Memory of
 Phillip Johnson
Given by
 Gus & Bernice Graham
 John & Dorothy Sirman

In Loving Memory of
 Marilyn Anderson
Given by
 Scott & Carol Anderson

In Loving Memory of
 Margaret Setrakian
Given by
 Jack & Donna Tacchino
 Sahag & Mary Egoian
 Cindy, Garth, Jordan &
 Jaime Duzi

Doris Garabedian
 Jim Setrakian
 Phil & Sandy Setrakian
 & Family

In Loving Memory of
 Ray Mathews

Given by
 Naomi's Bible Study

In Loving Memory of
 John Alfaro

Given by
 Nancy Bullard

In Loving Memory of
 Lonnie Yunker

Given by
 James Woodward
 Marie Failla

In Loving Memory of
 Elsie Rose Dinubilo

Given by
 Phil & Sandy Setrakian
 & Family

In Loving Memory of
 Mathew Boyajian

Given by
 Greg & Kay Boyajian

In Loving Memory of
 Tom Simonian

Given by
 Armen & Irene Karagosian

In Loving Memory of
 Our Families

Given by
 Dick & Jody Warner

In Loving Memory of
 Michael Geis

Given by
 May Robson
 Wayne & Doris Trutna

In Loving Memory of
 Robert Coyle

Given by
 Jim Perkins
 Dorothy Gerhardt

Given by
 Jerry & Beverly Guinn

In Honorarium

In Honor of the Marriage of
 Jay & Deborah Christiansen

Given by
 Sandra Lanoie

Jerry Lee Emerzian
 Jim & Julie Keitges

Connie Clendenan
 The Osprey Group

Roger & Phyllis Anderson
 Neil & Marianne Angelillo

Hagop & Rozine Bedoyan
 Dennis & Celeste Bond

Natalie Clark
 Teresa Cloud

Steven & Shannon Crass
 Susan Downey

Mark & Robyn Eads
 Kenneth Engel

Jack & Lisa Farnesi
 Tom & Barbara Felix

Chad & Amy Fischer
 Donald & Sheldon Glasrud

Eric & Pauleen Hepner
 Antoinette Jones

Anita King
 Robert & Diana Kittredge

Brian Macey
 Theodore & Janice Marsella

Douglas & Alisa Martin
 Vincent & Linda Martinez

Scott & Janet Nichols
 David & Sherry Noble

Darlyne Pape
 James & Janet Powell

Richard & Nancy Quan
 Inge Schlegel

Kathryn Siemens
 Vincent & Shirley Smaldino

Nicholas & Kim Smaldino
 Karen Stephenson

Robert & Magi Towne
 Wayne & Doris Trutna

Thomas Ullmann
 Anne Wadhams
 Ann Williams

Connie's Corner



It's time to get our Thankful Holiday time on! One very good way to help stay positive is to make a list of things I am thankful for on a regular basis; therefore, I thought I would share my list of things I am thankful for in this letter...starting with YOU! I am grateful for everyone who gives to us, prays for us, and cares about our kids, families, and staff on a regular basis!

In addition, I am thankful for my family, God's grace, mercy and free gift of salvation which includes eternal life in Heaven when I die. I am so very blessed with wonderful friends, a job I enjoy and am good at, a comfortable and safe home, good health (mentally and physically), an optimistic and joyful attitude (most of the time), HOPE for today, as well as a bright future, being able to see the lives of our kids changed as we live and work with them. I'm thankful to be an American—living in Fresno, California. I always enjoy ESPN, the NFL, NBA, NCAA and a 60" HD TV to watch all the games on. My Church, my Bible, the internet and my Smart Phone, health and life insurance, my formal education, shoes & clothes that fit and are clean, and weekends with my special friend also make me very thankful. I think I will stop now and encourage you to take time to make your list and share it with someone significant. I guarantee that your holidays will be brighter when you choose to focus on your *thankful list*.

As you begin to evaluate your blessings of 2012, I hope you will thank Jesus most of all and then decide what you want to do in the "year end giving" department of your life. We are blessed to be a blessing. There are many worthy organizations making pleas for money during the holidays and the end of the year. I appreciate you putting Valley Teen Ranch on that list for your consideration. As you can see from this newsletter of photographs, we are making good use of your investment into the lives of kids and families at Valley Teen Ranch. Feel free to call me for more stories or if you would like to participate in any of our holiday parties with the kids. You ARE part of our family and I am grateful.

Be Thankful and Blessed...MORE,

Connie R. Clendenan, CEO
Valley Teen Ranch

(Below) Valley Teen Ranch staff at the Prom in April, 2012. "A team that plays together, stays together."



(Above) Mr. Hernandez takes the "Leap of Faith".



(Right) Valley Teen Ranch Staff Retreat (Part II) on the high ropes course. "The more we work together, the happier we'll be."

ADOPTIONS



The A-Team leading VTR foster care and adoption ... Amanda, Abby, and Alicia with Connie.



Foster Families on vacation in beautiful California making new memories with our children



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PIERCE

**Our
Forever
Families On
Finalization
Day!**

