



CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 13-19, 2012

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK

12,000 "Kindness" light blue ribbons with pins, miles of light blue ribbon, and Kindness Zone signs will be distributed throughout Calaveras County, in schools, businesses and beyond starting February 13. Twenty-two kindness Kits will be distributed to the Calaveras schools that include "Pass it On" ribbons and blue ribbons to display. Distribution will be accomplished through voluntary "Kindness Crusaders" in each school.

Kindness Resolution

Calaveras Unified School District adopted Resolution 2011/12-08, establishing Random Acts of Kindness Zones, to observe National Random Acts of Kindness Week. All who live and work within the Calaveras Unified School District's attendance area will be encouraged to practice Random Acts of Kindness whenever possible and all our schools will be designated as "Kindness Zones."

Ribbons

Ribbons will be distributed at all our "Kindness Zones." When you notice someone being kind, sign your ribbon and give them your ribbon to wear asking them to pass it forward. At the end of the week, place your ribbon where others will see it, reminding them to be kind, or mail your signature-filled ribbon and kindness story to Seeds of Kindness, P.O. Box 677, Murphys, CA 95247.

History

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation was established in 1995 to encourage random acts of kindness in communities throughout the United States and beyond. Visit actsofkindness.org for more information.

Seeds of Kindness was formed in Angels Camp in 1994, spearheaded by Jim & Judy Bergantz, then owners of the Bergantz Nursery. They read about an idea called "Good Neighbor Day," so they asked the Angels Camp city council to proclaim the 3rd Friday in September as "Good Neighbor Day." With the help of other growers they provided thousands of long-stemmed roses, giving one dozen per person, to folks visiting their flower shop asking them to keep one bloom and give the other 11 away.

On February 7, 1995 the City of Angels City Council passed a resolution to observe National Random Acts of Kindness Day on February 17 of each year. Kindness Day turned into Kindness Week in 1996. Roses were replaced with blue ribbons.

On January 10, 2010, the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors voted on a resolution to designate February 15-21 as Kindness Week and proclaim Calaveras County as a Kindness Zone.

Funding

All participation is voluntary and free of charge. Funds for kindness supplies are generated from donations. Donations may be made to Seeds of Kindness: Checks should be made out to the Calaveras County Office of Education (CCOE), and should be sent to Seeds of Kindness, c/o Jim Bergantz, P.O. Box 677, Murphys, CA 95247.