

Children and Youth District Report September 18, 2022

Good morning, madam president, chairs, and members of District 28,

This year I will be the District Conductor of the "Kiddie Kar" on Madam President Gloria's Friendship Train. My Department Co-Conductor will be our very own Susan Baker. As a department, there have been no "Youth Hero Awards" or "Good Deed Awards" and my goal is to make sure we are able to find wonderful children/youth around Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties to present these award to. I have put a copy of the application for these awards in the president's packet and I want everyone to BOLO for these kids in our communities.

Remember to use special events to show children and youth their importance in our community. The one event we should all plan on doing something for is Halloween: the National Website has a Halloween coloring book you can pass out to kids during their trick-or-treat celebration.

I have reached out to "For Kids Foundation, Monterey" to ask about partnering with them to help support our children by providing basic assistance in education, health, and well-being.

I have also reached out to my favorite organization "Teddy Bears with Heart" to partner with them to pass out teddy bears to children with chronic illnesses.

I hope to hear back from each of these organizations soon and get back with you on how we can help.

One last thing, I want to show you all a picture that was sent to me by Liz Doidge. She was at National Convention and a picture of District 28's Day of the Military Child event was posted for everyone to see. I am so excited that we got recognition for the hard work we put forth.

Respectfully, Sondra Castillo