

# The Latest word



## End of Year Newsletter 2020

### Joelle's Corner

Kudos to Trevor and Izzy at Harriet Eddy Middle School and Amir at Will Rogers Middle School for completing a cigarette butt park clean-up project this past month. These students took walks in their neighborhood to parks near their school and armed with gloves, zip lock bags, and their phones, picked up cigarette butts and recorded the evidence and numbers found to share with local Parks and Recreations Districts. The chapters will send letters to advocate for clearer "No Smoking" signage in the parks.

Thank you FNL Mentoring advisors Curtis Cole from Leroy Greene Academy, Desire Deane Hanson from CCAA, Joanne Lew from Cosumnes Oaks H.S., Kristina Roys-Mineishi from Elizabeth Pinkerton M.S., Romy Bains from Foothill Ranch M.S. and Cesar Balderas from Foothill H.S. for your excellent work supporting the mentors and proteges this year. A special shout-out to those advisors who attended virtual mentor sessions to provide additional support and guidance to students. Many students took advantage of having school staff on the screen to ask academic and logistical questions about testing, grades, homework and scheduling. The students appreciated seeing your faces and FNLM staff valued all of you for the support you showed to program participants during this challenging time.

And now...announcing the winners of the 2019-20 Friday Night Live Chapter Challenge...

Congratulations to Inderkum High School! For the 7th year in a row, Inderkum has been the winner of this countywide award. Big shout out to Eric Fong and Melissa May, advisors extraordinaire!

And...drum roll please...the winner of the Club Live Chapter Challenge is ... Folsom Middle School! For the second year in a row, Folsom Middle came out on top! Great job Club Live students, with support from advisor Anita Kamath, such creative activities, projects and consistent chapter meetings throughout the year.

We are so proud of both FNL and CL winners, as well as all the schools who participated, for all you have accomplished this year, making your schools and communities a better place and providing strong opportunities for your peers to be involved in such a positive experience. Congrats to all!!

Congratulations to Sarah Solorio from Inderkum High School, winner of the 2020 Jackie Herrera "Ready to Make a Difference Award." Sarah was nominated by her advisors as a strong, compassionate leader who has made the most of every FNL opportunity. She has been a shining star in her FNL chapter for the past 4 years, involved and committed in everything she takes on, and always there for her peers. A special note she shared "I would never have been a part of FNL if it weren't for my advisor Mr. Fong or for Jackie" both who reached out and helped her get connected. We are so happy to honor you with this special award, Sarah!



**Amir**  
**Will Rogers CL**



**Sarah Solorio,**  
**The Jackie Herrera**  
**Ready to Make a Difference**  
**Award**

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***Friday Night Live builds partnerships for positive and healthy youth development which engage youth as active leaders and resources in their communities.***

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# Character Counts



This month's Character Counts Award goes to **Edward Stach** from **Andrew Carnegie Middle School**. Edward has been part of Club Live for one year and has made a huge impact on his campus as President. Without hesitation he leads the chapter meetings with fun icebreakers! His peers admire him for his leadership and goofiness he brings to the club. Thanks for being you, Edward. Congratulation on promoting from 8th grade, So proud of you!

Edward Stach – 8th Grade – Andrew Carnegie MS



**Angelica Theachout** of **Highlands High School** is recognized as one of this month's Character Counts Award winners. Angelica has been a member of the FNL chapter at Highlands for the past 4 years and has been such an asset to the club. She participated in every activity and event her FNL chapter hosted, including Red Ribbon Activities and National Take Down Tobacco Day. She also led her chapter in creating and implementing a parent pledge and participated in weekly Zoom Chapter meetings once schools went to distance learning. FNL advisor, Patty Lee added: "Angelica has been a driving force in our FNL chapter. Her tenacity and creativity has helped grow our program and create some memorable moments over the last few years. I have been so fortunate to also be Angelica's counselor and golf coach. Angelica will be greatly missed next year but I know that she will become an invaluable member of any organization she commits her time to." Angelica, thank you for your commitment to the Friday Night Live program. You Rock!

# Dedication to Youth



This month's **Dedication to Youth Award** goes to **Kohler** advisor, **Roxanne Sherrill**. Ms. Sherrill has been the Club Live advisor for two years. As Kohler's counselor, Ms. Sherrill is aware of the needs of the students on campus. With the increased number of vape use on campus, Ms. Sherrill and Club Live took the opportunity to educate their campus about the dangers of tobacco and vaping. Ms. Sherrill's leadership and support continues during distance learning. In order to maintain momentum, Ms. Sherrill reached out to chapter members, scheduled and set up Zoom meetings, and went out into the community to connect with merchants and took pictures, which helped the chapter virtually finish their RAMA project. Kohler is lucky to have a supportive and enthusiastic advisor!

Roxanne Sherrill, Kohler Counselor



Congratulations to this month's **Dedication to Youth Award** recipient, **Sharon Gainey**. Mrs. Gainey has been the advisor for Club Live at Orchard Elementary for three years. Throughout the year, Mrs. Gainey has supported and come alongside students at weekly meetings and in projects. During this distance learning season, Mrs. Gainey has worked hard to schedule chapter zoom meetings and reach out to youth to participate. She is very supportive and is involved with the prepping and planning of every meeting. As an advisor, she goes above and beyond and cares about each student. Club live members can always count on Mrs. Gainey and for all that she does for her students. We are very grateful and appreciative of Mrs. Gainey. We could not have done it without you!

Sharon Gainey  
Orchard Elementary Club Live



# Highlights



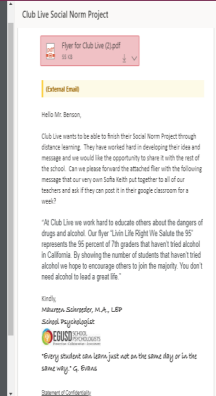
Friday Night Live Mentoring has been a very influential and meaningful program to me. I was introduced to the program three years ago in my sophomore year, and thought it sounded pretty cool so I decided to try it out. Initially, I wasn't sure if I wanted to stick with it, but I'm so glad that I did. I've learned a lot about the prevalence of drug and alcohol use in youth, and how to help kids learn about the dangers of drug and alcohol use so they can avoid it. I've also had the opportunity to build meaningful bonds with my middle school protégés, which is awesome!

**Chase Durbin with protégé Caleb**  
**Leroy Greene Academy**  
 Three year FNLM program participant

**Living Life Right We Solute The 95!**



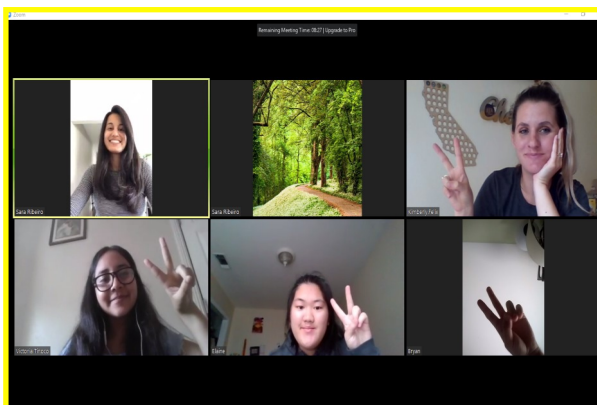
95% of 7th graders have not tried alcohol  
 Join the majority!



**Harriet Eddy Club Live** moved ahead with their social norms campaign despite the challenges of distance learning. They asked the school principal if their campaign could be posted in google classrooms for all classes. Way to get creative and make it happen!"



**Naomi & Sussana from Pioneer Club Live** completed a project to impact their the community (despite the current pandemic) by making Mother's Day cards for the women at St. John's Shelter. With the help of friends and parents, and following the appropriate social distance protocols, they delivered over 120 handmade cards! Way to go!



**Rio Linda High School FNL** put their brains together to transition their social norms campaign project into a virtual campaign. They created a digital flyer with their message and statistic to be shared with all the health classes in their school via google classroom. Way to go Rio Linda FNL!

**DID YOU KNOW THAT 55% OF SOPHOMORES DON'T DRINK ALCOHOL?**



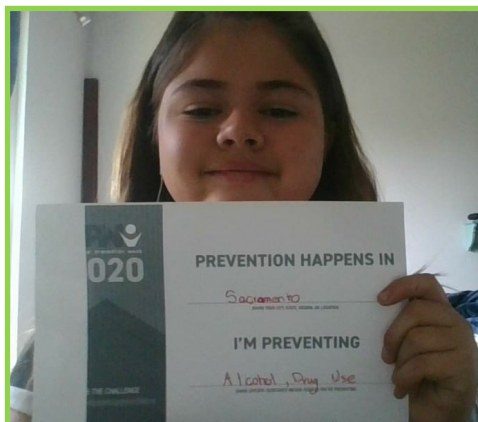
*According to a study of last years sophomores*

#itsnotascool

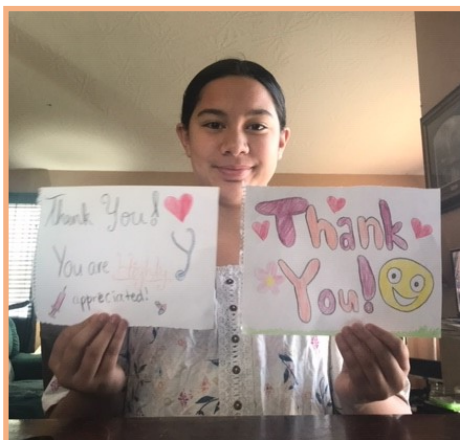
# More Highlights



**Elizabeth Pinkerton Middle School** students created a greeting card as a thank you to all medical staff at Methodist Hospital



**Kohler Club Live leader, Naveah**, participated in National Prevention Week!



**Anelu from Oakdale Club Live** created cards for those on the front line!



**Bella Vista HS** leaders, Grace and Erin show their FNL spirit during quarantine!



"A lot of my friends are here and it's the only club that's actually teaching us something important." -Abby

"I enjoy hanging out with friends, and getting to know more people better. I also enjoy helping the community and knowing that I am making a difference in the world." -Noah

"I like Club Live because I get to lead a team to success and work with amazing people." -Brienne

Sutter Middle School Club Live students



# Virtual Chapter Meetings



**Mitchell Middle School** hosted a "share your baby picture" challenge. Students got to share their photo and a story of when the photo was taken



**Samuel Jackman Club Live** – celebrating our first official virtual meeting!



**Inderkum High School** celebrating their last chapter meeting of the school year.



**Folsom Middle School** continues to meet on Zoom to finish the year strong!

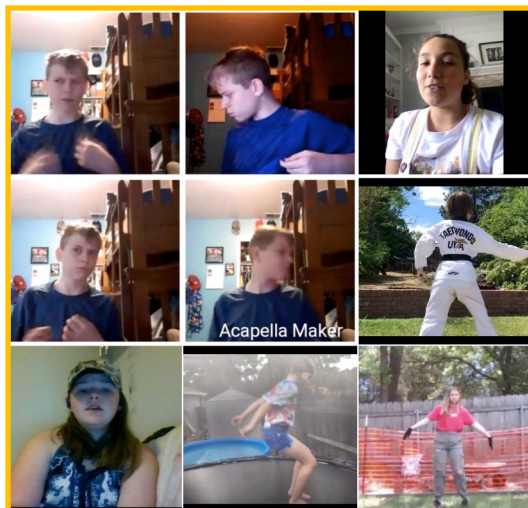
# Virtual Chapter Meetings



**Del Campo High School** celebrating their last chapter meeting of the year.



AP classes and testing don't stop **Folsom High School** from completing their FNL goals!



**Andrew Carnegie MS Club Live** held their own virtual talent show during their last chapter meeting. Thank you for bringing your best talent to share with others, you all rocked it!

**FRIDAY  
NIGHT**

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