

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



Feb. 28 – We heard an inspiring and interesting update on Camp Taylor from James Gambino, for whom the camp is named. Also, after next week’s meeting we have an invite to tour the former SOS Club, which is now an ASPIRE charter camps, housing Vanguard, one of our Key Club schools. Let Ken Nolte if you are want to go on the tour.

OPENING

President Adrian Crane
Song: Jeremiah Williams
Pledge: Sabine Saso
Prayer: Larry Hughes

GUESTS

Jeremiah’s daughter, Savannah.

INTERCLUBS (Ken Darby coordinator)

Coming up: April 16 to Groveland for an 8 a.m. meeting (need at least 1 more person). Contact Ken Darby

May 6 to Greater Merced. They meet at noon. Lots of openings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Goudy: A breakfast benefiting Christian Berets will be Saturday, March 9 at Parkview Christian Estates, 3112 Napier (off W. Rumble). Sponsorship opportunities still available. Jeff offered 10 free tickets. Tickets at the door will be \$10 for adults. 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Ken Nolte: Most of us remember the old SOS Club. It is now a school campus, part of the ASPIRE network and the location of Vanguard Academy, which has one of the Key Clubs that we sponsor. Ken has arranged for any of us who are interested to go on a tour of the campus following next week’s meeting. Please let Ken know if you want to go so he can give the school a heads up. Ken is the NMK liaison with Vanguard.

Randy Cook: Still needs two more cooks for the Blazing Saddles Chili Cook off, March 16 at 5 p.m. at the “Man Cave,” 5719 Chenault Dr., Modesto.

Larry Hughes: The American Graffiti website is updated will start taking car registrations on Friday, March 1.

Rich Humble: The Mistlin Gallery is now producing a series of fine art, cabaret concerts. The first will be March 9 at 7 p.m. feature Karolina Syrovatkova, an internationally known concert pianist, who will

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perform "Clara-The Woman in the Middle," about Clara Schumann, the 19th century pianist who was also the wife of Robert Schumann and the muse of Johannes Brahms. Tickets range from \$30 to \$50. <http://mistlingallery.eventbrite.com> or buy tickets at the gallery.

Brent Burnside: Kiwanis night (for various clubs) is scheduled for Aug. 22. Mark your calendar. Tickets will be \$35 each, which includes a tri tip dinner on the party deck.

BIRTHDAYS

None this week

ANNIVERSARIES

Richard Reimche bounced to his feet to enthusiastically talk about his 23rd wedding anniversary, celebrated with dinner at the Waterloo Inn. (Well, sort of.)

Tyler Richardson has a service anniversary.

HAPPY/SAD BUCKS

Charlie Christensen is happy that Sabrina is celebrating #22 today.

Larry Hughes just returned from a quick trip to Arizona for a great grandson's 1st birthday. They've had record snowfall, yes, in Arizona.

Jeremiah noted that the Modesto Kiwanis Club observed Black History Month with a series of speakers. The last was Emerson Johnson, who has done research into the history of the black cowboy. Jeremiah will provide contact info.

Adrian noted that today is Steve Collins' last day in his temporary stint as MJC president and hopefully we will see him soon.

Kevin Scott attended last week's Without Permission banquet and noted that the goodie bag contacted an expired coupon for Nothing But Bundts.

Bill Heyden: After four months he is pleased to have a new job for a good employer. He hopes to stay there until retirement.

Sabine also attended the Without Permission banquet and met some car people who likely will enter our show.

Loren Suelzle is happy to be cleared to play golf starting next week but sad that there's rain in the forecast.

Jeff Goudy noted that the camp director for Christian Berets is enduring eight feet of snow up there "and we're not."

Robert Husman said that his wife's grandmother passed away. He and Lori will be going to the regional convention.

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PROGRAM

Taylor Gamino, the namesake for Camp Taylor, gave us a wonderful update on the permanent home for the camp, which is located at the former honor farm on the San Joaquin River near Grayson.

He showed a video which provided a history of how and why Kimberlie Gamino started the camp (we've heard from Kimberlie before) and how the great the need is for there to be a camp serving children with heart disease.

The nonprofit has developed plans to turn former prison-type campus into an inviting place for kids and their families. Taylor said construction has been done on the dining hall and on the Ice Cream Parlor. The next project is creating an amphitheater. Taylor said kids with heart disease are often reserved and for many being camp is their first experience at being on a stage.

The camp still has big needs, including a new septic system. The Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation providing a \$250,000 matching grant and they still have \$50,000 left to be matched. Others are providing in-kind support.

NMK has provided volunteers and other kinds of support to the camp and members assured Taylor that our support will continue.

MARBLE & LUNCH MONEY

John Sanders had the right ticket and won table stakes, which he turned over to Taylor for the camp. Taylor pulled a white marble.

George Bairey won the lunch money.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

March 7 – Marty Villa on Love Modesto & our Peace Path project.

March 14 -- Rena Lepard from Doctors Medical Center on the Safe Kids Stanislaus program

March 21 & 28 – to be determined

April 4 – report from April board meeting

April 11 – Scholarship presentations

Upcoming Events

March 14 Modesto hosts DCM

March 16 Chili cook off at the Man Cave, 5 p.m. 5719 Chenault Drive

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- March 20** **Next American Graffiti Planning meeting, 7 a.m. at Perko's at Oakdale & Sylvan**
- April 26** **NMK Field Games – contact is Jim Felt**
- May 5** **Chicken A Go Go barbecue**
- June 7-9** **American Graffiti weekend**
- Aug. 22** **Kiwanis night at the Modesto Nuts**

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| Christmas Baskets | Marty Villa | | Graffiti Festival | Brent Burnside |
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| Young Children Priority One | Jeremiah Williams | | Social Committee | Randy Cook |
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| Sponsored Youth | Brent B(Enochs), Ken Nolte | | New Member Bios | George Bairey |
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