

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



Feb. 8, 2018

OPENING REMARKS

It was a somewhat subdued crowd as the meeting opening but, as usual, things got revved up. President Eric Angelo banged the gavel and asked Gary Goodman to lead us in song. Bob Reidel led the pledge and Larry Hughes offered the prayer.

GUESTS/INTERCLUB

We had four guests this morning, all from Vanguard's very active Key Club: Emily Zizzo, Teresa Warden, Marcos Albert and Carlos Villatoro.

InterClubs::

- Ken Darby reported that a contingent of four from NMK visited the Merced club Wednesday night. They had a great conversation to and from but outnumbered the host club by 1. Phil Fugit noted that the Merced president has a written agenda to get all the business done and Phil brought back a copy for Eric in case he wanted it. (He didn't.)
- The Sonora interclub has been delayed, at least a week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marty Villa passed out an updated card for the Youth for Christ Comedy Night on March 16. Another entertainer has been added to the lineup: Mark Christopher Lawrence.

Brent Burnside presented to the Vanguard Key Club members several of the times for the new Builders Club they are sponsoring, including a gavel. The new unit for 6th, 7th and 8th graders already has an amazing 42 members. The charter dinner for the Builders Club is coming up Feb. 23 at Vanguard Academy, located in the former Teel Middle School in Empire. Brent hopes he'll have five or so NMK members to join him at the event. (Fyi – Vanguard will be moving to the old SOS Club next year.)

Brent also provided an update on American Graffiti: The Marketing Committee meets again Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at the Bairey home. The next meeting of the full American Graffiti Committee will be at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at Perko's, Oakdale and Sylvan. Various registration forms are being updated. In addition, we are inviting Jay Leno to serve as grand marshall of the parade and festival. Keep your fingers crossed!

Eric announced actions from Wednesday's board meeting. The club gave away \$10,000 from last year's fund-raisers: \$2,500 to the Boys & Girls Club, \$2,500 to Society for disAbilities, \$2,500 to Youth for Christ, \$1,500 to Royal Family Kids Camp and \$1,000 to the Valley Recovery Resource Center and \$500 to the American Heritage Scholarship fund.

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Loren Suelzle gave the final results from Breakfast with Santa: \$6,010 was raised for the city's Leisure Bucks programs, which helps make youth sports affordable for children from families in need.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

No birthdays today but Doug Hardie had a service anniversary: 26 years. Congratulations, Doug!

Wedding anniversary: Tim and Peggy Ragsdale celebrated 46 years and can't figure out where those years went. They celebrated with a dinner and movie.

PROGRAM

Jennifer Mullen provided a (briefer) recap of the many activities coming up in Modesto this month. There's lots to do and you can find it on the website visitmodesto.com.

One of the interesting items: The Modesto Gospel Mission is celebrating its 70th year. Ken Darby noted that the mission was created from funds left over from Billy Graham's crusade in Modesto in 1947. That was among Graham's first crusades. Steve Collins noted that out of the Modesto crusade came the Modesto Manifesto, a pact for financial integrity associated with Billy Graham's crusades.

Eric gave us memories – from five years ago. It's another monthly treat.

BUCKS

(Summarized by topic, as best I could).

Graffiti related: Marty Villa was in Southern California, eating at a restaurant he had long wanted to try, The Hat. In the restaurant was a group from a Chevy Club, so he approached them about coming to our event. Not only were they familiar with it, some have already been to Modesto and others are planning another trip.

Odette Sims recalled when the non-sanctioned Graffiti cruise came as far north on McHenry as her business and the neighbors met in her parking lot to enjoy the show. Bill Ryan's memories of Graffiti included some of the tense times when he was with MPD. But he also remembered a horse in what was once the Acapulco Restaurant. Yes, inside. Bill had to help get it out. John Sanders recalled fun times from Graffiti and its predecessor Concourse D'Elegance.

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Odds and ends: Eric Angelo did some FB outreach to Audrey G and it was great to have her with us this morning. Come back often, Audrey!

Doug Hardie attended a farm show in Colusa with Doug V. He'll be in a booth at the upcoming Tulare farm show and has a couple of extra tickets if anyone is interested. Ken Darby would like company for the trip.

Judy Herrero has learned from her daughters-in-law that while many Asian countries celebrate this time of year, they don't all think of it as "Chinese new year." For some it is the lunar new year or goes by other terms.

Mike Boyd said it is good to be back in action after his second knee replacement surgery.

Loren Suelzle reported that Wayne Henry has finally gotten a diagnosis for his troubling back problems and will have surgery in SF in late March.

Roger Suelzle gave us the dates for the CASA golf tourney (June 28) and concert (June 30). This year the concert will feature an Eagles tribute band.

MARBLE & LUNCH MONEY

Loren Suelzle had the right ticket and won table stakes but pulled a white marble from the bag. Lori Rosman won the lunch money.

UPCOMING PROGAMS

Feb. 15 Webmaster Jonas Bell – how to log in and use messaging on our new website.

Feb. 22 What – private eyes in Modesto? Jim Anderson, an investigator with Jack Able & Associates, will tell us about what private investigators do in our community. Jim formerly worked for the Sonora Police Department and Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department.

Upcoming Events

March 3	Blazing Saddles Chili cook-off, 5 p.m., Man Cave
April 27	NMK Field Games, Johansen High
May 6	Chicken A Go Go, Davis Park
June 6	Packet stuffing/social
June 8-10	American Graffiti weekend
June 28 & 30	CASA golf tourney & concert

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Fundraising and Event Committees

NMK Field Games Jim Felt
 Chicken A-Go-Go Charlie Christensen
 Christmas Baskets Marty Villa

CASA Golf Tournament Jim Toal
 Breakfast With Santa Jennifer Mullen, Kyle Barker
 Graffiti Festival Brent Burnside

Committee Chairs

Community Services Richard Reimche
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