

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



Aug. 15 – Joe Swain shared photos and stories from the 75th anniversary commemoration of D Day in Normandy. The club used his visit as an occasion to present a \$2,000 check to Royal Family Kids Camp, a program that Joe plays a major role in.

Vice president Robert Husman presiding
Song: Charlie Christensen
Pledge: Mike Boyd
Prayer: Ken Darby

GUESTS

Several guests this morning. Ken Nolte introduced Derry Chen and Isabella Mendoza from Vanguard Key Club. Isabella invited us to the Key Club's DCM next Monday at Central Catholic. Also, their Key Club division is holding a carnival Sept. 7 at Sanders Park. Open to all ages, 4 to 8 p.m.

Charlie Christensen introduced his wife, Trish, (and announced that she is the new interim CEO of the Modesto Chamber of Commerce) and daughter Sabrina.

Our speaker brought his wife, Ann, and a colleague from Ceres Rotary, Jose Gallo.

INTERCLUBS

This Saturday morning with the smaller Turlock club. Ken Darby needs one more member so it counts as an official interclub.

The Merced interclub has been rescheduled for September.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Robert: There will be an American Graffiti Committee wrapup meeting next Wednesday at 7 a.m. at Perko's at Oakdale & Sylvan.

Kiwanis Night at the Modesto Nuts game is next Wednesday.

Signups will start next week for the kick-out dinner on Sept. 27. The price will be \$30 per person.

(a late addition): Lori Rosman was not with us this morning because she's off to Las Vegas to be sworn in as the new Lt. governor.

Allan Ramsay re two upcoming community events: Dancers from Central West Ballet will present "The Rat Pack in Revue" at 7 p.m. Aug. 31 at the Mistlin Gallery. This is sponsored by the Central California Art Assn. Tickets are available at the gallery or online at mistlingallery.eventbrite.com

The Commemorative Air Force is bringing two of its flying legends, a B-17 and a B-25, to the Modesto airport Aug. 26-Sept. 3. Depending on weather, etc., they should be arriving about noon. Allan said they are impressive to watch and encouraged people to go out. Tickets are available to tour and ride on the planes. More info at www.flyinglegendstour.com.

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BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

Bill Ryan celebrated 61 last week. His family gave him the opportunity to drive very fast at California Speedway in Fontana.

Several anniversaries: Bob and Sharon Dunbar #57, Charlie and Trish Christensen #31, John and Mary Ann Sanders #53 and Kyle and Julie Barker #2.

BUCKS

Robert fined the late arrivers. Among them, Marty Villa, who said, "I don't care, I'm retired!"

Larry Hughes learned that he's two years older than Smokey the Bear.

Loren Suelzle thanked the other Kiwanians who attended last Saturday's dedication of a stretch of Yosemite Boulevard/Highway 132 to Dennis Wallace, our late member. (Kevin Scott photographed the event and posted pix on the club's Facebook page.)

Also Loren passed along three checks from Jim Perez, who we seldom see. One for his dues, one to Youth for Christ tied to the refurbished Mustang that was part of a fund-raiser two years ago and one to the club's fund-raising account because Brent continues to work on the refurbishing of that car and this should more than cover any fines he gets for Jim's thanks and praise.

Loren also mentioned that Sharon Toal (Jim's wife) is having another surgery and could be facing transplant surgeries.

Bob Dunbar had a good six-month checkup following his surgery. He has a green light for any activities he wants to pursue.

Kyle and Julie took her cat to UC Davis for surgery. It's improved and now has the use of three legs.

Sabrina shared that Joan Rutschow had a second back surgery and is doing well.

Kevin Scott also commented on the highway dedication ceremony. He shared that his son-in-law, who is in the Navy and was assigned to a base in Washington state has suddenly been ordered to a carrier in West Virginia.

PROGRAM

Joe Swain, who has spoken to us before about Royal Family Kids Camp, shared photos, videos and memories from his June trip to Normandy for the 75th anniversary of D-Day. He and Ann first visited Omaha Beach four years ago and hoped to return. He was able to get a press pass, which gave them access to people and locations that others didn't have.

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Joe was struck by how appreciative the families of Normandy are to this day of what American forces did to free their country from the tyranny of the Nazis. Some of them volunteer to maintain the gravestones of U.S. soldiers killed in the invasion.

Joe said the ceremony was remarkably moving and is very glad they made the trip. While tourists can visit the cemeteries and beaches any time, observances such as this are held every 5 years.

Jeremiah Williams presented Joe with a check for \$2,000 for Royal Family Kids Camp, an annual program for foster children. Joe invited everyone to the Jan. 10 concert benefitting the camp. It will feature Danny Seraphine & CTA. Danny was the original drummer for Chicago. Tickets are available through Gallo.

MARBLE & LUNCH MONEY

Not this week.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Aug. 22 – Elder abuse prevention efforts. Speaking will be Carol Bowman, coordinator of the Stanislaus Elder Abuse Prevention Alliance.

Aug. 29 – a presentation from the Alzheimers Foundation

Upcoming Events

Aug. 21	Graffiti wrap-up meeting at Perko's. 7 a.m.
Aug. 21	Kiwanis night at the Modesto Nuts.
Sept. 27	Deinstallation dinner. Signups will start next week
September	– date to be determined: a bowling social

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Current Board				
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	(Vanguard), Bill M (Central),		Soccer Club Liaison	George Bairey
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