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## NORTH MODESTO

### **Bulletin from 01.18.24**

**President Ana Kanbara presiding. Bell rung at 7:01AM**

**Song: Gary Goodman**

**Pledge: Jim Felt**

**Prayer: Marty Villa**

**Zoomers: Britta, Mark Dunker, Mr. Zimmerman**

**Scribe: Channa**

**Bell rung a second time due to the unruliness of the club's chitter chatter**

### **GUESTS:**

**Selena Little:** Key Club extraordinaire

**Aaron:** Art Wiseburg (?) - CA Reding

**Marty:** David Harter, application in process (YAY!)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- immediate late fine and fine for talking while meeting is going on goes to Aaron
- Madame President is sleep-deprived and has a zero-tolerance policy for extracurricular chatter today....watch out!
- **Selena Little:** doing her job as Kiwanis Outreach Coordinator. Division is having a fundraiser called "Pennies for PTP". All funds raised will go straight to the Pediatric Trauma Unit at Valley Children's Hospital in Madera. Any loose change will be greatly appreciated, but don't fret, they take dollars as well. The deadline is end of the month with a possibility for an extension.
- Power Couple Pool for gender, DOB, and weight of baby. Half of the money raised will go towards a charity of their choice. This friendly game is \$2 a square, and gender guess is free.

### **AMERICAN GRAFFITI FESTIVAL: Brent Burnside**

The meeting was yesterday morning at Perko's. There are talks of our LTG Charlie jumping out of a plane with some fireworks on his ankles. John Sanders has shifted operations over to Harrison for coordinating the dignitaries during the parade, encouraging Robert Husman to do the same when he moves away from us to Georgia. Challenging the Cars and Coffee group to bring in all the fun, maybe The Rock...he travels now and then.



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### **INTERCLUB: Ken Darby**

Next Tuesday, January 23 with Modesto Club at noon. Roughly 15-16 signed up. Please pick your meal so that it will be ready when you get there.

### **BIRTHDAYS:**

**Jim Felt Jan 12th:** recent winner of “something” and may potentially donate a little of his winnings. Turned the big 70 and just getting over his back surgery. The best present, his 40-year-old son flew down for 4 days. Going to the “Candlelight” tonight to see Hans Zimmer. He has apparently made it to the \$2 club. Assumed he talked long enough to have everyone forget that he won “something”, but Ana did not forget and he donated 10% of his winnings coming in 2nd place.

**Larry Robinson Jan 12th**

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

NONE

### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

**Bob Reidell:** 43 years on Jan 13 - he has a happy buck and a membership buck. He was forced to go down south for a couple of weeks for New Year's. He claimed that a few members of the club needed “supervision”, which sounds legit enough. Happiest moment - the day he was standing in his orchard when he got a phone call from a member and was asked “How would you like to run a cruise downtown?”... and here we are 25 years later. Mr. Reidell made a significant end-of-year donation to our club and is putting in an additional happy 20.

### **HAPPY/SAD BUCKS:**

**Charlie:** advertising and a sad buck. A few weeks ago had to put their dog down due to diabetes and lymphoma. Advertising buck for Trish putting on a fancy soiree for the Chamber of Commerce next week on the 25th at the Centre Plaza. Charlie just confirmed that he WILL NOT be jumping out of a plane during the parade, stating that the only plane he'll be jumping out of will be on the ground.

**Steve:** Happy 2. Friend, Robert West's son, just got into UTI to be an auto mechanic and will be starting next month. Robert got to meet Jerry Rice recently!

**Lori:** bragging about her son-in-law, a CHP pilot. A recent search and rescue of a father and son who went into dangerous waters and almost drowning, making the news.



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**Karen:** Happy 20. Out for a little bit. First with COVID, then a flood in her house (2 times in 4 days after buying new carpets), then a super fun vacation for a few weeks. Thanks to Channa for manning the cash box.

**Loren:** Hopeful buck, go Niners for Skip!

**Rich Reimche:** was on Zoom last week and Ana recalled that he had some happy bucks and he did pay up

**Britta:** Weather update: it is freezing cold and there's more snow coming, and she's just sitting in it. Has experienced -35 degrees already, and maybe getting to about 12 degrees today...so we can't complain about a simple 38 degrees here.

**Tim Ragsdale:** both adult children in San Diego. Proud dad because his daughter finished the San Diego Marathon in under 2 hours!

**Nan Jacobs:** happy buck for Key Club announcement. Next Wednesday, Key Club Conclave where the students will choose their new LTG at Gregori at 6:00PM

**Brian:** scholarships will be available. They also need a few members to fill in due to some members taking a little time off. Anyone interested, get in touch with Brian.

**SOCIALS:** Randy Cook has his list of fun things ahead this year, here are the activities for the next two months

Mar 2, 2024	Bowling @ Yosemite Lanes
Mar 16, 2024	Chili Cook-Off Contest @ Man Cave
Apr 4, 2024	Joint meeting with Rotary @ Graffiti Museum
Apr 19, 2024	Field Games
Apr 27, 2024	Love Modesto Pancake Breakfast

### **PROGRAM: Florida Arias, Vice President of Girl Scouts Heart of Central California**



Florida oversees 18 counties from Amador to down here in Stanislaus and splits her time between here and Sacramento. The Girl Scouts began in 1912 and was founded by Juliette Gordon Low in Savannah, GA. They believe in investing in girls by providing access to STEM careers. Girls don't typically go into that field and we want to change that. Doing that work has presented another challenge, not representing girls of that community. They want to break the barriers and create access through volunteers who donate. The Girl Scouts opened this region's first



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girl-led, girl-built STEM Center in Sacramento in 2017 and in Modesto in 2018. Since opening, they've been able to provide empowering, hands-on STEM learning opportunities.

Girls Scouts Leadership Experience (GSLE) is a collection of engaging, challenging, and fun activities that help girls prepare for a lifetime of leadership, success, and adventure. This experience allows girls to become a group leader, become civically engaged, be apart of the community, and take action to make the world a better place.

All things done in the organization are girl-led. Girls earn badges/patches that are sewn or ironed on, these show what they have learned thus far. There are 4 pillars: STEM, outdoor life, life skills, and entrepreneurship. They learn to set goals, balance budgets, communicate, and sell products - seeing a beginning and an ending. They are powering her potential by participating in the schools, especially in elementary schools through their financial aid programs. Florida's passion is always advocacy, seeking to help those who may not have access. Through the provision of generous donations from clubs to provide participation and camp. Girls love connecting to nature, building cabins, and having signage saying "building/powered by girls". This teaches them to go and seek out their own journey in their own way. **80% of women leaders, 50% of business leaders, 73% of US female senators, and more than 50 million women in America today were a part of Girl Scouts.**

### Q&A:

How significant are cookie sales in revenue?

The majority of funds go back to troops, while a portion goes towards the contracted cookie-baking company. The troops control their own account and they decide what they do with the money that they earn.

STEM: a lot of people who go into the program get jobs outside of those fields. How do you prepare those children for that reality?

Looking to partner with educational institutions to connect the dots to help deliver the potential programs. As a result, everything is interconnected and interrelated. All of us are integrated into our communities in different ways, "speak the language of hope".

What is the budget to get a girl into Girl Scouts?

Membership is \$25 annually, uniforms are roughly \$15, and patches are about \$1 each.

Where are we today with partnerships with schools?

After-school programs, extended opportunities, ASES. Create meetings to meet the families where they are, and where they live. Partner with schools, principals, and staff within their own communities so that they are comfortable. The primary focus is to rebuild that relationship with the schools.

**Marble Draw: Santa** with the white - boo hoo

**Lunch Money: Gary Goodman** for the \$5 of lunch money

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:06AM**



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<b>2023-2024 Officers, Board, Committee Heads, and Event Chairs</b>			
<b>OFFICERS</b>		<b>BOARD of DIRECTORS</b>	
<b>President</b>	Ana Kanbara	<b>2022-2024</b>	Dirk Paintedman, George Bairey, Channa Kang, Nan Jacobs
<b>1st Vice President</b>	Laura Maki		
<b>2nd Vice President</b>	Brian Sanders	<b>2023-2025</b>	Jim Felt, John Erro, Nikko Nakai, Rich Humble
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<b>Community Services</b>	Richard Reimche		
<b>Young Children Priority One</b>	Karen Bettencourt		
<b>Youth Services</b>	Aaron Kellums, Channa Kang		
<b>Sponsored Youth</b>	1. Enochs - Gary Wasmund 2. Vanguard Key Club/Builders Club - Ken Nolte 3. Beyer - NEED 4. Modesto - Channa Kang 5. Johansen - Judy Herrero 6. Downey - UNKNOWN 7. Davis - Lori Rosman 8. Gregori - Nan Jacobs		
<b>Aktion Club of Stanislaus County</b>	Channa Kang		
<b>Spiritual Aims</b>	Marty Villa		
<b>Scholarship Committee</b>	George Bairey, Judy Herrero, Brian Sanders		
<b>Social Committee</b>	Randy Cook		
<b>Program Chairs</b>	Judy Herrero, Harrison Power, Abby Power		
<b>Webmaster</b>	Adrian Crane		



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<b>Fiscal Oversight</b>	Jim Graham, Loren Suelzle, Mark Dunker
<b>Sunshine/Cards</b>	Judy Herrero
<b>Insurance Commissioner</b>	Robert Husman
<b>Bulletin</b>	Judy, Tim R., Adrian, Channa
<b>FUNDRAISING AND EVENT CHAIRS</b>	
<b>Graffiti</b>	Brent Burnside, Charlie Christensen
<b>Christmas Baskets</b>	Marty Villa
<b>Breakfast with Santa</b>	Jennifer Mullen