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## NORTH MODESTO

### BULLETIN

June 27, 2024

#### Today's Meeting Summary

President Ana Kanbara opened the meeting at precisely 7:00 am

**Song:** Gary Goodman

**Pledge:** Robert West

**Prayer:** Marty Villa

**Guests:** Nan Jacobs introduced Key Clubber Sofia from Enochs

**Interclub:** Ken Darby -- The July 3 interclub will be postponed. There was little interest, probably due to the holiday. Next: July 26 at Turlock: 12 people signed up so far; others are welcome.

**Announcements:** The International Rescue Committee invites us to their open house July 11, starting at 6 p.m. 3446 N. Golden State Blvd, Turlock. Mina Anwar from the organization that aids refugees spoke to our club several months ago.

Ana announced that we do plan to have a float for 4<sup>th</sup> parade honoring our Key Clubbers. Help will be needed on July 3 to set it up.

Gary Goodman said that Skipper is needing more work hours because his hours have been cut after 18 years in his current job. He is experienced in custodial and warehouse work.

Brent & Charlie met with MPD this week to review the Am Graffiti parade. Police were pleased overall. There were only 7 arrests; none of them Kiwanis members!

Jeremiah Williams – Sad dollar over the passing of Bob Gallo. We had a moment of silence.

Ana Kanbara – The July 3 board meeting has been postponed to July 10 due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday,



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**Birthdays:** Brian Sanders and Tony Pinheiro on June 21; neither present. Brent Burnside celebrated his 50-something birthday today and we honored him with the worst version ever of Happy Birthday. He was \$200 happy, counting a red Bronco and a new truck.

**Anniversaries:** June 21 -- Gary and Jacquie Zimmerman. June 22 – John and Carolyn Erro for 11 years. Also, June 22 – Robert and Christina West, 5 years. On June 23, Allan and Pat Ramsay celebrated their 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary and “did absolutely nothing,” according to Allan. nothing.

**Happy Bucks:** Robert West happy to be back with us after a long absence. Missed AG due to surgery.

Lori Rosman: Her softball superstar granddaughter, Lily Hartt, has received more accolades. She made the Region 6 Extra Innings First Team. She has been ranked as one of the best catchers in the region that includes California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Alaska and Hawaii.

### **Socials: Randy Cook**

**July 4** – fyi -- Jeff Reed will be the grand marshal for the Independence parade. No weekly meeting for us due to the holiday.

**July 13** – Annual Barbecue/ potluck at John and Mary Ann Sanders’ cabin in Twain Harte. Sign-up going around. Twain Harte holds its annual Wine in the Pines & Craft Fair that weekend.

**July 24** – AGF celebration at George Reed Carseum. There will be a taco truck.

**Apron Reading:** Sue Walbridge, formerly of the Sonora Kiwanis Club, is now officially with us. There were several non-signers but most of them were absent today. Also at least one double signer – Larry Hughes. Sue is finally free of the apron.

**Program:** From Learning Quest: Josh Cruz, deputy director, and Michelle Jasper, director of development and communications.



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Josh: Students come from all backgrounds and they share some amazing stories. One who started at the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade level reading; another passed her GED with 10 days of study and testing. She faced losing her job otherwise.

They offer a lot of services beyond helping people learn to read: ESL classes, family literacy, conversation in the workplace, citizenship test prep and child care so parents can attend classes.

Adult Literacy – partnership with the Stanislaus County Library. They'll find a location to offer tutoring while the Modesto library is closed for its major renovation.

Kids Quest is a new and unique program offers assessment and tutoring for children with dyslexia.

Michelle shared several more stories, including a mother who was asking for help because her teen-age daughter was threatening to drop out of high school.

Josh said Learning Quest is getting more requests from people, specifically two groups: English language training for refugees from Afghanistan and GED prep from young people who dropped out of school during COVID and now want to get their GED.

Learning Quest has a major fund-raiser coming up on Oct. 12 "Over the Edge for Learning Quest." Volunteers will collect at least \$1,000 in donations and then rappel down the black building at 1524 McHenry. For those who prefer to watch from the ground, there will be a Sip & Savor event for \$50 per person.

More info on the Learning Quest website **LQSLC.com**

**Marble Draw:** Skipper – table money; but drew white

**Lunch Money:** Ken Darby

### 2023-2024 Officers, Board, Committees Heads and Event Chairs

OFFICERS			BOARD of DIRECTORS			
President		Ana Kanbara	2022-2024		Dirk Paintedman, George Bairey,	
1st VP-Member Retention		Laura Maki			Channa Kang, Nan Jacobs	
2nd VP - Member Growth		Brian Sanders				
Past President -		Jennifer Mullen	2023-2025		Jim Felt, John Erro,	
Secretary		Lori Rosman			Nikko Nakai, Rich Humble	
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### COMMITTEES

Community Services	Richard Reimche
Young Children/Priority One	pending
Youth Services	pending
Sponsored Youth	1. Enochs High- Ana Kanbara 2. Van Guard/Key Club and Builders Club-Ken Nolte 3. Beyer High-Gary Wasmund 4. Modesto High-Channa Kang 5. Johanson High-Nan Jacobs 7. Downey High-UNK 8. Davis High-Lori Rosman.
Aktion Club Stan County	Channa Kang
Spiritual Aims	Marty Villa
Scholarships	George Bairey, Judy Herrero, Brian Sanders
Social Committee	Randy Cook
Program Chairs	Judy Herrero, Harrison Power, Abby Power
Webmaster	Adrian Crane
Fiscal Oversight	Jim Graham, Loren Suelzle, Mark Dunker
Sunshine/Cards	Judy Herrero
Insurance Commissioner	Robert Husman
Bulletin	Judy Herrero, Tim Ragsdale, Adrian
<b>FUNDRAISING AND EVENT CHAIRS</b>	
Graffiti	Brent Burnside, Charlie Christensen
Christmas Baskets	Marty Villa
Breakfast with Santa	Jennifer Mullen