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President Laura Maki presiding
Bell rung at 7:06AM
Song: Gary G
Pledge: Doug Hardy
Prayer: Tim
Scribe: Channa

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

8/16 - Doug Hardy went out to dinner at Ciao Bella for their 50th anniversary. His granddaughter, Jordyn, was there. He had a happy 50.

David Harter

8/21 - Cindy Bauer. Se stopped into San Jose, the Mystery Spot, and Carmel. When she got married, they asked if it was her quinceañera, that was 15 years ago.

GUESTS:

NONE

INTERCLUB: Larry Hughes

September 3rd will be in Merced at the BBQ Pit in the evening

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:

NONE

BIRTHDAYS:

8/16 - Michael Jimenez

SOCIALS
Randy Cook

- September 19 - Kick Out Party. the sign up sheet is going around. Sign up if you intend to go, we need a rough headcount. Please make payment as soon as possible.
- October 25 - Wine Tasting at Oak Farms

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lori - the DCM a few weeks ago was well attended. All clubs were represented except Los Banos due to a medical emergency.
- Ana - did the second reading of names for incoming President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, continuing board members, and incoming board members. We will have one more reading then a vote.
- Laura - in case anyone was wondering, Laura only has 4 more meetings left to host...

HAPPY/SAD BUCKS

- Brent - happy nervous buck. His youngest, Cierra, is dilated to 2cm. She is due on the 28th, so she's a little early.
- Jim - went down to Orange County to spend time with his brother and his wife. Had dinner with Tom and Sharon Hansen, former members. Spent a few days with them.
- Brian - promised \$5 for every positive news about us. He made it on the front page of the Modesto Bee about the education at MJC.
- Larry - Lori always brags about her granddaughter, but he has some grandchildren and great grandchildren as well that are athletically inclined. His great grandson won a tournament recently.
- Randy - went to Don Pedro and ran into former member Kevin. He had a huge pontoon boat that they enjoyed. He's going to try to get him to come out to the kick out party.
- Charlie - he is tagging on to what Brian said. The City is working on a project that deals with Water, Wealth, Contentment, Health, and now they are on the health part of it.
- Gary G for Skipper - sister is still in the hospital, but she hasn't gotten any worse. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
- Doug - says that the acronym "boat" is for "break out another thousand". He got his boat up and running, and there's another member who also has a new boat going as well. He didn't say any names, but he did look in someone's direction.
- John Sanders - is the other member who just recently got a boat. Happy buck for his brother who finally got a new knee. He thanked Doug for bringing up the fact that he just got a new boat. Apparently, his wife talked him into it. This boat is a carbon copy of his previous boat from 15 years ago.
- Andrew H - happy 3 for spending time with family down in San Diego.
- Charlie - had to ask permission before doing this. He has a happy 100 for becoming a grandpa. Samantha and Jacob are expecting and she is 11 weeks now. The family found out when the couple put a bun in the oven and convinced Charlie that there was something wrong with their oven. He may have used some profane language so he can't quite share that video with everyone. Congratulations Christensen Family!
- Lori - happy 2. Her granddaughter, Bailey is turned 2 this past weekend. Her grandson who is playing football, started as safety and is now a linebacker.

- Karen - happy that she gave Charlie a random onesie some time ago, and now it will have a new home

PROGRAM

PROGRAM: Janice Freeman from Embrace Grace. She's known Charlie for about 10 years or so now. Piggybacking off Charlie's story. She's been a grandma for 24 years but has a good reveal story as well. Her children live in Texas, when they just went through Hurricane Ike. They received an email with video from the children that just didn't look like a normal video. The video turned out to be an ultrasound.

Janice was a classroom teacher for 16 years. When she retired, she got to serve 6 years on the Board of Directors at the Modesto Pregnancy Center, and that's where Embrace Grace found her. It is a support group that offers assistance to mothers who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. There is a relatively high instance of teen pregnancy in our community. Often, these women drop out of school and forego advanced education. Embrace seeks to help these women survive and thrive when starting out as new moms. They provide emotional, and financial assistance through a baby shower. Love Boxes - consists of a personally written note, pregnancy journal, book by Amy Ford (founder), an adorable onesie, and an invitation to be apart of Embrace Grace. Love in a Box helps save babies.

Hosting church, Covenant Church, only hosts two class terms a year - but women are having children year round. They want to grow this program and help as may families as possible. All they ask is that we please share this information with your own church so that we can expand this much needed program. Demographics of participants are single moms between the ages of 16-29 years. They do want to note that "single" is a very fluid term. As some dads could be involved, and some are not. There may be some uncertain circumstances. Locally, we've had moms come from Merced, Winton, Turlock, Manteca, and much more.

Suzy Powers - Sutter has announced Power of One, an empathy training for everyone. We got to watch a powerful video that makes us remember that everyone has their own battles that they are dealing with and to have empathy for one another.

Laura's Game: 1st place winner were a handful of people who all rolled their dice to see who would be the final winner for today's pot of \$30. The winner once again was Karen.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05AM

2024-2025 Officers, Board, Committee Heads, and Event Chairs			
OFFICERS		BOARD of DIRECTORS	
President	Laura Maki	2023-2025	Jim Felt, John Erro, Nikko Nakai, Rich Humble
1st Vice President	Brian Sanders		
2nd Vice President	Karen Bettencourt	2024-2026	Jennifer Mullen, Susan Power, Gary Goodman, Doug Tripp
Past President	Ana Kanbara		
Executive Assistant/Secretary	Lori Rosman		
Treasurer	Jim Felt Steve Perry		
COMMITTEES			
Community Services		Nan Jacobs	
Young Children Priority One		Karen Bettencourt, Ana Kanbara	
Youth Services		Aaron Kellums, Channa Kang	
Sponsored Youth		1. Enochs - Gary Wasmund 2. Vanguard Key Club/Builders Club - Ken Nolte 3. Beyer – Ana Kanbara 4. Modesto - Channa Kang 5. Johansen – IN NEED/Ken Nolte 6. Downey - INACTIVE 7. Davis - Lori Rosman 8. Gregori - Nan Jacobs	
Aktion Club of Stanislaus County		Channa Kang	
Interclub		Larry Hughes	
Spiritual Aims		Marty Villa	
Scholarship Committee		George Bairey, Judy Herrero, Brian Sanders	
Social Committee		Randy Cook	
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Webmaster		Adrian Crane	
Fiscal Oversight		Jim Graham, Loren Suelzle, Mark Dunker	
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Bulletin		Judy, Adrian, Channa, Kristina, Tim R.	
FUNDRAISING AND EVENT CHAIRS			
Graffiti		Brent Burnside, Charlie Christensen	
Christmas Baskets		Marty Villa	
Breakfast with Santa		Jennifer Mullen	
Love Modesto		Jennifer Mullen, Robert West, Steve Perry	

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