



BULLETIN

August 7th, 2025

Today's Meeting Summary

Led by Laurie Maki

Meeting began at 7:11

This week the club met at the Great Valley Museum on MJC West Campus.

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Robert Husman

Prayer: Larry Hughes

Zoom setup by Brian Sanders and the AV's.

Guests:

Selena Little.

On Zoom:

Mark Dunker, Nan Jacobs, Jeremiah Williams, Brita Skavdahl, Adrian Crane

Announcements

Lori and Charlie are at the National Convention in Las Vegas.

Dues are due. Give to Lori Rosman or Jim Felt.

On August 16th from 9am to 11am, our Lieutenant Governor Lori Rosman will hold a DCM. It will be held at 501 Bangs Avenue. (where we held a couple of meetings a year ago).

A longtime Kiwanian, Hal Conkey died at he age of 101. Thanks for his years of service to Kiwanis.

Breakfast with Santa. Jennifer is ready to start promoting even while summer is still in full swing. December 6th. Ho, ho, ho!

Brent Burnside. A car show that we want to support at the Graffiti car museum on Sunday October the 5th. The first 150 cars signed up will be in the fund raising event. 9am to 3pm.

Suzy Powers. The 'Making strides against cancer walk' October 12th 2025.

Interclubs

Larry Hughes told us about upcoming interclubs:

The DCM on August 16th. 9-11am at 501 Bangs, will be an interclub.

September 3rd - Merced - 6pm, BBQ Pit, Main & G

Sign up with Larry Hughes.

Social -Randy Cook

Good Morning!

- Deinstallation September 19th. Save the date. At the Man Cave.
- Oak Farms Wine Day on October 25th. Limited to 40 people so be ready for the sign up sheet!
- Friendsgiving, November 21st at Randy Cooks Man Cave. Thanks Randy.

Birthdays

Gary Vukich – 8/3

Lauren Suelzle – 8/6. Went to the board meeting! Will also do a slow 6 mile walk.! 82 years.

Wedding Anniversaries

Doug Tripp to Crystal. 45years. Sapphire Anniversary. Went to the movies to see 'Naked Gun' Doug was an early adopter of the Platinum Card so is covered.

Adrian Crane to Karen. 42 years. Went to dinner at Wildfire.

Bill Schwartz and Kelly 9 years. Dinner and a Giants game.

Member Anniversaries

George Bairey 8/2 Has really been a Kiwanian from 1967 until now. Steve Collins bought George into NMK ,the first time, on some other day. Happiest moments are Books for kids, Scholarships for older kids.

Rich Humble 8/2 24 years.

Nico Nikei 8/3. 3 years Favorites are Chicken a Go Go, Christmas Wrap party and Christmas Pack party.

Kristina Hansen 8/5 5 years. . SO many happy memories.

Andrew Hendricks 8/7 1 year. His favorite are the meetings and camaraderie.

Cindy Bauer 8/7 1 year. Best memory – getting to know everybody.

Board meeting.

Thursday after the first Wednesday of the month, we have the board report. Lots of money donated this month.

\$2000 – Kiwanis Family House.

\$1500 – Childrens Crisis Center

\$2000 – Camp Taylor

\$1500 – Sierra Vista.

\$2000 – Legacy Youth.

\$2000 – Stanislaus Education - Foothill Horizon

\$2000 – CASA

\$1500 – United Cerebral palsy

\$1500 – Shower Shuttle

\$1500 – Alzheimers Society

\$1500 – Great Valley Museum, Science Saturday.

\$580 – Raised by the sale of Steve Collins golf mementos and passed to Modesto Opera. All of the Gold gear is now sold.

Happy/ Sad Bucks

Gary Goodman - \$10 for his daughters wedding anniversary and having Bill as his son-in-law.

Gary Wamund – A cruise to Alaska. First a Tsunami warning. Then a fire in the engine room! Evacuation!

Jeremiah Williams – There are some more of Steve Collins items – a money clip and medallion. And Jeremiah led a moment of silence in memory of Hal Conkey and wife Lucy.

Jim Felt – Tom and Shannon had a Tsunami warning in Hawaii. It did not transpire.

Cindy Baur – Work has re-started after the summer. Andrew raised money for kids backpacks. She did some travelling in July while she was off.

Marty Villa – Happy \$20. A surprise birthday party for Ern Ruth's 80th.

Program.

Jocelyn and Emily presented a program on Great Valley Museum.

They are used to doing first grade field trips so this is a change! They are the 'B' team covering the Tuesday through Thursday, while colleagues do the remaining days.

Jocelyn has been here 6 years while Emily has been just one month.

GVM has a marketing team using social media and other outlets. Students make the content and do the monthly posts. Students have the best eye for content that will work for their target audience. So they hired one student. The next campaign worked very well. That student , Diana, is now at Berkley!

The current student marketing team has been very professional in putting together the social media effort. They use industry standards, a specific color palette, select font families. The student marketing team is now 6 students. Now they have a new GVM mascot which is 'killdeer'

Science night is a very popular event and Science Halloween night is especially good and is an event that they are building toward now.

The 2018 poster that was made when Jocelyn first started was OK but not great. Now with the consistent brand guidelines the new posters are really nice.

Emily is in charge of collections, They are not actively trying to get new items but they do have 2 new bears! There is not a ton of room.

Then our presenters gave a brief display of taxidermy maintenance. Dusting is big chore and has to be done gently.

Finally we had a story of the California Newt.

Marble draw- Larry Hughes . Drew a white. Condolences to Larry.

Coffee money: Gary Goodman.

Suzi Powers offered a quote “ since we are here at GVM, “Education is the most powerful weapon that we can use to change the world”.

This jives well with the MJC Mission: “Empowering students to discover opportunities and reach their goals through access to and inclusion in higher education.”

Cindy Baur had everyone pause for a selfie.

Meeting adjourned: 8:09am

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COMMITTEES			
Community Services		In need of someone to fill position	
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	
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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	