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BULLETIN

November 13, 2025

Today's Meeting Summary

Led by Brian Sanders

Meeting began at 7:04am

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Skipper

Prayer: Larry Hughes & Tim Raggsdale

Guests: Selena Little, Chrystal & Derek Tripp, David Heller, Dorothy Pimentel, Deputy Chief Darin Jesberg (today's presenter)

Zoom: Gary Zimmerman, Mark Dunker, Britta S, Cindy Bauer, Andrew

Scribe: Kristina Hansen

Announcements

1- Guest - Mr. Dave Heller - pioneer farm league to Modesto; excited to bring pro baseball back to Modesto; announcing manager at 11:00 today this person formerly affiliated with SF Giants; Team name - initially GlowRiders - official name is a work in progress.

2- Randy Cook - went on a trip and brought back a flask; highest bidder was Karen B. \$35.00;

3- Breakfast with Santa - Jennifer - December 6 first Saturday in Dec. at Modesto Senior Center;

4- Toy & Coat Drive at American Graffiti Museum Saturday, November 15 from 9am-1pm- Jennifer

5- Christmas Baskets - Marty V. - at Graffiti Museum Saturday, December 13 starting at 8:30am; 5 schools provide us with 15 families who will receive art supplies, books, toys and food.

6- Brian - \$13,000 plus in Dues was paid last month; this money goes toward the working of the club; while the Car Show fundraiser monies goes to the community

7- Food @ Fuzios- please make sure if you take any food during the meeting at Fuzios that you pay for it; thank you

8- quick scholarship meeting after this 7am meeting to discuss the workings of the scholarships - \$32,000. Will be distributed to high school seniors; Modesto Kiwanis will also be donating \$32,000

9 - **Jeremiah** announced that today George & Marie Bairey, Charlie Christenson, and Tim Ragsdale- will be honored for all the community work they do;

Inter club

- Tuesday, November 18; noon at Papapolloni

Car Show -

Brent Burnside -please save the date for June 12-14; Biggest car show west of Mississippi

Socials -Randy

- Friendsgiving November 21 - Game Night, bring an appetizer at Man Cave
- Thursday, November 20 Salvation Army Kettle Kickoff - we have a table
- Breakfast with Santa on December 6
- December 8, 9am at Man Cave -Book Sorting
- December 10, 6pm at Man Cave- Christmas Wrapping of Toys
- December 13 Christmas Assembly and Distribution at American Graffiti Museum

Birthdays

absent

Wedding Anniversary

Absent

Member Anniversaries

- Suzy Powers, November 10, 2021; Happy \$20; passionate about the car show; a favorite memory delivering the Christmas baskets and seeing the children's faces

Brian - Thought for the day - "Everything in Life is a Learning Opportunity"

Happy/ Sad Bucks

Marty - \$5.00 bought a house in Redmond, Oregon; Marty has a lot of family in the area; will be moving in March;

Tony - Happy \$5.00; Cancun for a week and had a wonderful time

Bob Riedel - spent 2 weeks in Pismo;

John Sanders - bought a boat in Portland; waiting for the boat to make its way South; lost steering around Crescent City; then both engines went out; stuck in Newport, Oregon for new fuel pumps; $\frac{1}{2}$ a buck;

Pat G. - sad buck regarding sausages

Selena - Circle K fundraising - competition between Turlock and Modesto - Takeover the respective meetings; early stages of planning; Brian suggested to talk to the speaker coordinators and do the takeover when a program has not been scheduled on a meeting day

Karen - going to Disneyland after the meeting with her family; why did the rates for Uber increase this week?

Aaron K. - gone for 5 weeks in Europe; happy hundred; first vacation without an itinerary; Istanbul, Croatia, Montenegro, Bosnia, Slovenia, Italy and more! Then went to Austin, Texas for the Formula 1 Racing - a gift for his nephew; his Cat went on the plane/trip to Texas;

Presentation:

- Darin Jesburg - Modesto
- 1875 - volunteer fire dept. organized
- 1910 two horses purchased - trained to pull hose and ladder
- 1911 George Wallace was elected to be the first paid fire chief; retired in 1949; longest serving chief in history of Modesto
- 1912 - first motorized fire apparatus
- 1923 Station #2 built
- 1924 Station #3 built
- 1925 16 paid firefighters
- 1928 receives a ladder truck (*still around - needs to be restored- John Sanders would like to see it not restored but cleaned up.*)
- 1938 first firefighter association
- 1958 3 shifts with 2 platoons 24 hour
- 1973 Jaws of Life tool began being used
- 2004 Advanced Life Support pilot program - medic firefighters
- 2005 - Station #11 opened
- 2011 Modesto Fire Authority - how they addressed the recession woes
- 2014 - the 2011 plan disbanded

- 2016 - Fire Dept works with MJC to create a unified Fire Training Program
- 2026 Station 1 renovation will begin- funded through ARPA (funds left over from COVID); \$5million to renovate vs \$30 million to completely start over;
- John Sanders remembers when he attended Ensen Elem and during a field trip to one of the fire stations each child was able to slide down the pole;

Marble draw- Larry Hughes - Won RED

Coffee money- Ken Darby

Suzy - "The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team." Phil Jackson

Meeting adjourned: 8:10am

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COMMITTEES			
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Young Children Priority One		Karen Bettencourt, Ana Kanbara	
Youth Services		Aaron Kellums, Channa Kang	
Sponsored Youth		1. Enochs - Ana Kanbara 2. Vanguard Key Club/Builders Club - Ken Nolte 3. Beyer – Ken Nolte 4. Modesto - Channa Kang 5. Johansen – Andrew Cabrera 6. Downey - INACTIVE 7. Davis - Ana Kanbara 8. Gregori - Nan Jacobs	
Aktion Club of Stanislaus County		Channa Kang	
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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	