



BULLETIN

December 4th, 2025

Today's Meeting Summary

President Brian Sanders

Meeting began at 7:05

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Channa Kang

Prayer: Larry Hughes

Guests:

Selena Little.

On Zoom:

Gary Zimmerman, Britta Skavdahl, Jeremiah Williams, Tom Swafford, Mark Dunker, Cindy Bauer.

Announcements

Jennifer Mullen: Christmas Breakfast. Saturday December 6th. Everything is a go.

Arrive at 6am to volunteer. Doors open at 8am and we finish at 11am.

Eggs have been picked up by Tim Ragsdale.

Egg crackers, kitchen, admission, serving and bussing jobs are all ready to go.

Key clubbers are signed up to help.

Mrs Claus and Santa are putting on their red suits.

Arts and crafts will be there.

Afterwards, go to downtown Modesto to see the festival of lights. Especially good after 5pm.

Get your tickets sold. Ho, ho, ho! **And get your Christmas Breakfast ticket money to Lori as soon as possible,**

Marty Villa

Christmas basket distribution December 13th. Location is Graffiti car museum on 9th Street.

Testimonials from Channa Kang and Bob Reidel are enough to encourage people to come out and help make up the boxes and deliver.

Book sorting is 9am, Monday the 8th at Randy's man cave.

Toy wrapping is 6pm Wednesday the 10th at Randy's man cave.

Brent Burnside. **Car show and Cruise.**

Lots of planning.

Planning meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month starting in Jan at Perkis, on Standiford and Oakdale.

Remember, the only vacations you can have next June are at Graffiti Festival right here in Modesto!

Judy Herrero requests that members look through the Car Show web site and make sure all information is correct.

Holiday Celebration. Jennifer Mullen. Graffiti Museum on Thursday Dec 11th. Holiday Celebration to thank the community. 4pm to 7pm. Festive music and refreshments.

Interclubs.

Adrian Crane: We will not have any interclub in December as it is busy enough already.

We will visit Turlock at Latifs on Friday January 30th.

Social:

Randy Cook

Good Morning!

Remember that our December 18th meeting will be at Greens on 10th with Modesto Sunrise Rotary who promise us we will eat drink and be merry. This will be a joint meeting. They like to start on breakfast a little earlier, so turn up at 6:45!

Greens on 10th is at 953 10th Street, Modesto

Friendsgiving was a lot of fun. Randy Cooks hosted our NMK social at the Man Cave and it got rave reviews. Lots of fun playing many different games that Randy made available. Really good. That was back on November 21st

- Dec 6th Breakfast with Santa
- Dec 10th gift wrapping at the man cave.
- Dec 13th basket distribution.
- Dec 18th Our Christmas meeting will also be joint with rotary.

New member Induction.

Dorothy Pimental sponsored by Laura Maki.

Doug Tripp handled the hosting duties for our induction.

There are 600,000 Kiwanians in USA.

Members read the six Objects of Kiwanis.

Dorothy told us that she retired from a career as risk management at YCD. She now does physical therapy counseling to get people into gyms after illness and injury.

She grew up in Chicago. Came to Modesto at age 12 and never got away!

She has 3 dogs including a husky.

Birthdays

Doug Hardy. Nov 24th Cocktails at Van Den Endens. Turned 80.

Aaron Kellums.

Jeremiah Williams. On Thanksgiving. Thankful.

Judy Herrero. Nov 28th. 74.

Pat Glatke. Dec 2nd. 9 holes of cold golf. Family dinner. 83.

Wedding Anniversaries

None.

Member Anniversaries

None.

Happy/ Sad Bucks

Brien Sanders. Sad buck. A 2 by 4 from the attic attacked his head. Happy. Good articles in the Modesto Bee about MJC. An NSF grant for \$400,000 is likely and Laura Maki is heading up the submission group.

Larry Hughes. Grandson and child are finally coming from England for Christmas but there are still immigration paperwork issues so his wife will likely not be able to make it.

John Sanders. Is happy for his boat which finally made it to Alameda.

Karen Bettencourt. Happy for the trip to LA. She rode in a Waymo which was her highlight.

Dirk Paintedman. Engine light came on. He changed all the O2 sensors. The light is still on!

Doug Hardie. Wanted us to sing to Jeremiah as his late November birthday gets nixed for Thanksgiving, so even if it falls on a Thursday, he would never hear it otherwise. We sang!

Loren Suelzle. Found he had a hernia. Also, while walking on the levee, he tripped and now has sore ribs as well.

Randy. Happy 10. Really enjoyed Friendsgiving and games. Randy hosts all kinds of gatherings for many groups. Our Friendsgiving was one where he could really relax and enjoy it himself.

Jim Felt. Happy that Dave Giddings came to the meeting this morning.

Charlie Christensen. Had a call from daughter Sabrina. She was promoted to stage manager. Also Charlie went through a bunch of health checks and they all came back good.

Marty Villa. He is moving to Oregon next year and has handed the Graffiti Festival Ecology/Trash head honcho job to Channa. Also, changes at the Salvation Army meant that we were looking at no boxes for the basket distribution. Marty asked if maybe we could buy them from the Salvation Army? Then he had a call back from the Major who said they would be happy to provide boxes! Also, we adjusted the food purchase from Costless for the baskets and it has been tough to get the correct prices. Staff have been on holiday and on jury duty.

Board Meeting Report.

New member Dorothy Pimental was voted in.

The club gave money to several organizations:

\$2000 to Stanislaus Education Foundation

\$1500 to Beyer Robotics

\$1500 to Stanislaus Leadership Academy

\$1500 to West Modesto Community Collaboration

Breakfast with Santa. \$100 tickets purchased or donated by each member. Lots of NMK hours.

Christmas baskets. \$20,000 + many hands on hours.

Program

No program as the first Thursday of the month we have Board Meeting report. The board meeting report doesn't usually take long but we don't have a program anyway!

Ticket Draw.

Marble Draw. Nan Jacobs. Drew a white, sorry. But she did report that there are only a few marbles left.

Coffee Money: Charlie Christensen.

Quote: Suzy Power:

The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of love and of generosity and of goodness. It illuminates the picture window of the soul. and we look out upon the worlds busy life and become more interested in people than in things.

Meeting adjourned: 8:04am

2025-2026 Officers, Board, Committee Heads, and Event Chairs			
OFFICERS		BOARD of DIRECTORS	
President	Brian Sanders	2024-2026	Gary Goodman, Kristina Hansen, Jennifer Mullen, Susan Powers
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COMMITTEES			
Community Services		Nan Jacobs	
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	
Interclub		Adrian Crane	
Spiritual Aims		Marty Villa	
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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	