

# MODESTO KIWANIS



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### EDITORS ROTATION SCHEDULE

Jan. 4 Jim Mesquit  
Jan. 11 Hugh Brereton  
Jan 18 Terry McGrath

### GREETERS

Jan. 4 Ron Freitas & Denise Ganji  
Jan. 11 Ramsin Ganji & Steve Grenbeaux  
Jan 18 Dick Hagerty & Russ Harrison

### NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Jan 4 T.B.A.

Jan 11 T.B.A

Note From Publisher  
Sorry Bulletin is so late just got back late last night from a little trip on the coast. I did not open my e-mail until this morning.

Paul

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Terry McGrath Shannen Mattingly

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The last meeting of 2011 was called to order by President **Joyce Aakerlund**. **Dave Epps** led off the pledge of allegiance and **Jerry Jackman** kicked off the singing of "My Country 'tis of Thee". **Jake Sonke** led us in prayer. **Hal Conkey** picked up the fine pot and began a search for pinless Kiwanians. He found few offenders, partly because those attending were "the regulars" and partly because there were so few Kiwanians present. Even counting **Erika's** two grandkids we didn't get to 20. (The club must pay for a minimum of 20 diners so that means that the treasury is stuck paying for several plates that were not needed!)

**Jim Mesquit** appealed for suggestions for program presenters. **Hal** suggested that his wife **Lucy** and **Wayne Mathis** do a presentation about the McHenry mansion which recently sustained fire damage. **Hal** will try to arrange a date for this. President **Joyce Aakerlund** said that on Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a District Council Meeting in Sonora at 1PM. We hope to have a carload to represent our club.

**Hal** said that just a week ago he attended a show by Carol Channing who was accompanied by her husband **Harry Kullijian**. Within days **Harry** suffered a stroke and died. The Bee did a major article about **Harry** who had served two terms as a Modesto city councilmember.

The fine free necklace was up for bid to cover the month of January. There was only one bidder so **Bob Beck** stole it for just \$20. What a deal! **Bob's** birthday (January 4<sup>th</sup>) will be celebrated at next week's meeting.

**Margaret Trammell, Don Ross, and Jerry Jackman** all gave happy bucks in gratitude for the merry Christmas they enjoyed with their respective families. **Karen Peterson** and her husband **Pete** went to some movies over the holiday weekend. They saw the latest Mission Impossible and We bought a Zoo, which she recommends. **Erika's** grandson Lucian said he had "an amazing Christmas" mainly because he got a Wii computer game system. **Erika** said she had a great Christmas because she got to be with her "great" grandchildren. **Dave Epps** had a sad buck. He knew the repairs to his Ford Excursion were going to be costly. He anticipated \$3000. His wife phoned him with the bad news, a whopping \$6500.00! That hurts!! The engine is a turbo diesel V8. **Joyce** said that seldom seen spouse **Finn** got a new pan for making extra large abelskievers.

Auction Items: **Hugh Brereton** confessed to having taken a late summer trip to France. It began with some high anxiety when the airplane blew a tire on takeoff. Then when they were looking forward to riding the TGV "bullet train" the operators went out on strike. They finally made it to the lovely Loire Valley. **Hugh** offered a French bottle of red wine, admittedly purchased in California. A flurry of bids took the price up to \$17 offered by **Roger Vogelzang**. It was noted that **Mr. Brereton** was wearing a "Cal" T-shirt and blue jeans. His alma mater is the underdog playing football against Texas this weekend.

**Jake Sonke** also confessed to having taken an overseas trip in June. He and his wife went to Australia and New Zealand. **Jake** contribute \$20 in lieu of an auction item. Thanks Jake.

The raffle had trouble finding winners this week. Several drawn tickets were discovered to be "not sold". Finally a number held by **Terry McGrath** was called. He pulled out a clear marble so a second number was called. **Jim Mesquit** had the ticket but he also pulled a clear marble out of the container.

The days program presenter was Delores Wolterstorff the Executive Director of Modesto Pregnancy Center. She said the program has been in operation for 21 years and is a 501c3 tax deductible pro-life ministry. The program has moved into schools over the past 15 years as tax supported sexuality education has been starved for funding.

Next week? We are in need of a program. If you have an idea or recommendation please phone **Jim Mesquit** at 499-1825 or at work, 527-2010.

Jerry Jackman  
Scribe