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EDITORS ROTATION SCHEDULE

Oct 5 **NEED A VOLUNTEER**
Oct 12 **NEED A VOLUNTEER**
Oct 19 Denise Ganji

GREETERS

Oct 5 Nan Jacobs & Jan Jaeger
Oct 12 Ugo Leo & Shannen Mattingly
Oct 19 Terry McGrath & Al Menshew

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Oct 5 **Cathy Wilson A New Day For Children**
Oct 12 **Brenna Butler Society for Handicapped Children & Adults**
Oct 19 **CELEBRATION FOR LIFE (AL KAUFMAN)**

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Prez Maggie (I can call her that now that she's not going to be in a position to fine me) called the meeting to order for her last time.....Again, she had to beg for a Pledge, beg for a singer. And settled for **Rev J** for the prayer.....

I must admit, the head table looked a little nicer today, as both **Prez Maggie** and **VP Karen** had their hair done up for the meeting. Trying to go out in style, I guess.

JIM M had a guest, Mr. Louie Menezes, who came from Gustine just to consider joining our group.(must be lonely in Gustine.....) He worked on the 4th Parade for us last year.

TERRY PLETT jumped up and introduced the two strangers sitting at his table.....seems he worked for one of them years ago.....turned out, they were the program and the VP (who shall remain nameless), had failed to greet them and set them at the head table. More on them later.....

JOYCE A. announced the Sea Scout Boat trip and passed around a sign up sheet. The trip is set for Oct. 8th and only the first 20 members that sign up can go, so call her up. It's always a fun time.....I here **PREZ Maggie** is going to try waterskiing.....

JIM M. gave a report on Wine Country, followed by **TERRY M.** and his report on Wine Country, followed by the real work horse, **RUSS H.** and his report on Wine Country. If you haven't been paying attention, the Wine Country Evening is next week Oct.6th We will have 400/450 people in attendance. Hopefully some of them will bid big bucks on some of the auction items.....for the golfers out there, we have 8 golf courses up for grabs, and they are ALL top notch courses.....two of them are in Nevada (near Carson City) and come with lodging included.....If you have not signed up to work an hour or so at the event, call **JIM M.** and volunteer.....there is still money to made that night selling raffle tickets, etc.....The membership has come through with ticket sales this year, now let's finish it up with a bang.....

Those of you that missed **PREZ JOYCE's** installation last week (and there were a lot of you) really missed a nice event. **GEORGE F.** even brought fancy grapes for each table. They were table grapes, but I saw a few members trying to squeeze some wine out of them.....

STEVE G. is now getting into his campaign mode and even brought some yard signs for supporters to take home. **PREZ MAG** fined him \$5, but like a true politician, he paid \$20 instead. (this latter fact was pointed out by guest Pat Glatke, whom **Terry** almost failed to introduce).

It was reported today that one of my favorite members, **CAROL DAVIS** has resigned, due to poor health. I will miss her smile and her special "hugs" and we wish her well. Don't forget, **CAROL**, it's more than OK for you to drop in and visit once in awhile.

Oct. 19th is the next DGM meeting and since it will be here in Modesto (at **REV. J's** church) more members should make an effort to attend. You never know, you just might learn something.

Oct 19th will be a very special meeting in which we take the time to honor one of our own very special members.....The late **Al Kaufman**, who passed away last month, will be the guest of honor.....I'm not sure how he's going to manage that, but having known **AL** for a good number of years, I just know he'll be there in one form or another..... This date would have been his 92 birthday.....so let's all turn out and listen to some interesting tales of one of our finer members.....I know **AL** would have loved it.....

REV. J took over the podium (as he tends to do some time) and led a "ROAST **PREZ MARGARET**" event that asked everyone in attendance to make some remarks regarding **PREZ M's** year. Many thoughts were shared, but I think the popular phrase was regarding **MARGARET's** infectious laugh and the fact that everyone really had fun at her meetings.....She really gave us members a lot of laughs, a lot of good times, and we sent her home with a bouquet of flowers and a HUGE bouquet of balloons.....You done good **PREZ MARGARET**.....

Our Program today was the brought to us by the Modesto Vet Center. Director Steve Lawson and Randle Keyes talked about all the ways they help the Vets returning from combat duty.....So many come back after 4 or 5 or 6 trips to war zones needing help in so many various ways. Whether it's

finding them a job, or just helping them assimilate back into the community, their doing a great job. It seems, since after the elimination of the draft, the majority of the community has kind of let the veterans slip from their minds. They give their all, and when they come home we rarely even say "thank you". Surely this Kiwanis Clubs can do more.....I hope our incoming officers give some serious thought about how we can get involved with the Modesto Vet Center and help those who protect us.....

See you all at the Wine Country, just ask, and I'll buy you a glass of wine.....

Terry