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July 16 Hugh Brereton for John Field

July 23 Jerry Jackman

July 30 Hugh Brereton

Still Need More Scribes

GREETERS

Secret Greeter – Pay a buck if you do not shake their hand.

SPEAKERS

July 16 Stockton Kings – Amanda Dawson

July 23 Stanislaus Elder Abuse Prevention Alliance (SEAPA) Carol Bowman

July 30 Field & Hertle Show

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President John Hertle called us together, and **Don Ahrens** led us in Song, "My Country is of Thee", **Warren Kennedy** led our Pledge, and Jeremiah Williams led us in Prayer. We are getting better, really

July 29th "Wrap-Up" 4th of July Parade meeting at **Al and Loretta Menshew's** home in Turlock at 6:00 p.m. As there will be food, please reserve your place with **Al or Jeremiah**. Our daughter came down from Sacramento with her two children and husband, and they all enjoyed the Parade a lot. The Editor really liked balloon entry!

Jeremiah Williams was to do last week's Bulletin and took notes, but then forgot it all. He has a good reason: wife Nancy has been in the hospital with surgery on her wrist that he informed us of previously. We really hope things get better for her soon. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her and the family.

Installation of **Craig Haupt's** administration is coming soon: depends on Lt. **Gov. John Carlos'** schedule, availability of location, and **Craig's** schedule. Craig can make it on *Sept. 10th or 24th*. As they say, "details to follow".

Sept. 28th is the *Shrimp Feed*. Get your tickets from **Craig Haupt**. who says that if we sold 200 tickets, we would make a profit.

Sea Scout cruise probably to occur on Sept. 7th, a Saturday. **Dan Fitzgerald** will have more details closer to the event. It is really a fun outing and few other Kiwanis Clubs have such a unique event as with its Sea Scouts on their ship.

Warren Kennedy took a seven day cruise to Alaska. It was 91 degrees in Anchorage when he was there, a record. He also joined a coin collection club, and is having a good time. (**John Thoming** told us that **Warren** had an appointment with him to check his eyes and vision; that is why **John** was here too.) Auctioned a hat about Skagway, the Alaskan Gold Rush in 1898, of questionable size of the average Kiwanian; **Mark Davis** won it for \$12.00.

Kiwanis Training for Kiwanian officers and others on Sept. 27th, but check first about that date, locations, time, etc.

Your editor and his wife, Christine, celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently. We went to St. Helena, CA, where it occurred, visiting the church, the restaurant where the rehearsal dinner was held, and generally had a great time. We realize that this special anniversary is due to so many variables, we feel special for us to have celebrated it, luck, health, jobs, etc. As I was asking her for a first date, I gave her full disclosure: I had a few weeks prior enlisted with the Navy after passing my Army draft physical to Vietnam. I proposed to her after my first year cruise/deployment as a hydraulic mechanic in a fighter squadron. We scheduled the wedding between the second and third cruises. Technically, we had been married for almost a year after the marriage, but most of that time was while I was so deployed; she finished her nursing schooling and took her first "boards". I then applied and began law school with UOP in Sacramento, while she began hospital work in coronary and intensive care. I left the Navy on a Thursday and began law school on the following Monday evening. My G.I. Bill benefits paid just enough for the school, and her wages and mine (from delivering data processing to banks) paid our living expenses. A son, twin girls; and six granddaughters, and a grandson, the oldest, beginning high school. Practiced for 34 years: everything at the first, then becoming a State Bar certified family law specialist for over 20 years. I practiced for a single practitioner, with two partners, then as a partner in a 35 attorney office; Pretty much covered the private bar situation. Seems incongruous to have been married 50 years and practiced "family law", an oxymoron. We have driven through Europe, taken cruises to the Baltic, Alaska, Mediterranean, and Panama Canal, and driven in Canada, New England, Washington state, Oregon, Idaho, the upper South, Yellowstone and other Park, and Michigan (wife's home state). We have a special event planned with the family when all can be present.

Perry Bosshart drive to Maine to see his son who has lived there for a while. Perry lived and worked there for five years. They flew back. He brought two auction items: Blueberry Jam and a Tee shirt, "Cool as a Moose". **Mark** tried to buy these too, but, **Dan Fitzgerald** upped **Craig Haupt's** bid to beat **Mark** so **Craig** had to take the Tee shirt back to his wife with another "winning". Maybe **Craig** will let us know her reaction at this good luck

Jim Barton came into the meeting at this point, which is nice as we don't get to see him too often. As he was watching the fun and comments during

the meeting, he felt living in Modesto was a good choice, with real people doing things to make a difference, like our Kiwanians.

Bill Gordin took a trip to Vancouver, Canada with Bucharth Gardens, and Vancouver's famous suspension bridge. Of course, **Craig** bid on the suspension bridge Tee shirt. He bid \$15.00 so **Dan Fitzgerald** could "win" it. That's **Dan** bidding \$11 and Craig \$4.00, or \$15.00 for us history majors.

Margaret Trammell had a real party in Riverbank at the home her granddaughter and husband has renovated mostly by themselves: 1/3 acre, a fruit tree orchard, and the home. She says it turned out really well and all were pleased to see it at the party. Grandchildren everywhere: Texas and Oregon, three in Riverbank. Three birthdays were celebrated for grandchildren: July 4th, July 28th, and July 21st.

John Thoming came, as he had an appointment with **Warren Kennedy** at 1:40 p.m. and **Warren** sat at the same table across from him. His apricot crop had no buyers so the crop went onto the ground, 1,500 tons if I heard him correctly. Quite unfair.

Carole Thoming said that they had spent three weeks at the Aptos beach house with three grandkids, kids with spouses, etc. present, but at different times and then a while with just John and Carole. All had a "Wonderful Time"

Craig Haupt's wife has a relative with three children who have died from drowning and other causes way too young. When you may be feeling things could be better, just recall this person's tragedy. We need to remember her too.

Pete Brock, a Modesto Kiwanis Club longtime member, widow Donna just died in her mid-eighties. **Pete** served twenty years in the Air Force, reaching E-9, was Modesto's Treasurer and thankful that nothing bad happened then or just after his term, and had a son who was a psychiatrist/M.D., and a entertaining member with his "Joke of the Day" before each meeting. **Al Menshew** was a friend of his and they would do skits at our meetings.

The Reno Kings, the "G" league for Sacramento's minor league team, changed ownership to Stockton, still with Sacramento affiliation. Their

representative, Amanda Dotson, was present and spoke as to non-profit groups being helped. They play in the Stockton Arena. They have plans for ticket sales that can be adjusted so that what tickets we sell we have a rebate of \$3.00 to \$5.00 each to our Club. She says they really have high level talent on their Club. Sounds interesting, maybe go to a game as a Club function?

Hugh Brereton, Editor