

MODESTO KIWANIS

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EDITORS ROTATION SCHEDULE

May 17 Jerry Jackman for Hugh Brereton
May 24 Hugh Brereton
May 31 John Hertle

Still Need More Scribes

GREETERS

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

SPEAKERS

May 17th Boys and Girls Clubs
May 24th Save Mart - “starship” robots

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Hugh Brereton	Jeremiah Williams
Dan Fitzgerald	Harold Petersen
Don Ahrens	John Thoming

Modesto Kiwanis Club meeting of May 17th 2022

Members stood for the pledge of allegiance. Then **Don Ahrens** led the club in singing “My country ‘tis of thee”. The old song deserves better. **Carole Thoming** gave a brief invocation.

Club president John Field reminded us that Thursday, May 19th is the Woolgrowers dinner. The \$40 meal cost will be added to each club member’s tab.

Anniversaries: **Dan Fitzgerald** contributed a cool \$100! Forty-two dollars was for their anniversary and the rest was for the undisclosed “used car” he just bought. Also, **Dan** said they will be attending the July 4th parade in West Yellowstone while visiting family and seeing the National Park.

Jerry Jackman, whose wife is also named Sandy, said they celebrated their 18th anniversary by hiking among the sequoias in Calaveras Big Trees State Park. Driving to the south grove parking area was scary because a prescribed burn was underway and the smoke was so intense he sometimes couldn’t see the vehicle in front of his campervan.

President Field said there will be a Chicken a-go-go at the Graffiti Museum on June 4th. Meals are \$25 and drive-thru serving will be from 4 to 7pm.

Hugh Brereton noted that the average age of the diminished July 4th “barricade crew” is nearly 80. Charlie Nguyen volunteered to help and will bring his son. This will cut the average age in half.

Happy and Sad “bucks”:

Paul Hearst went to his dentist. Amazingly he has gone 72 years without a cavity! No Paul does not have false teeth.

John Hertle took his mother and spouse to San Francisco. He paid big bucks for a night at the Intercontinental Hotel but lamented they had low quality toilet paper. He did enjoy the Giants game, they won. Getting home was not so pleasant. His Tesla was rear-ended by a driver with no license and no insurance!

Kevin Scott has transferred to Modesto Kiwanis from another club. He feels good to be accepted. Kevin has a grandson who was named baseball player of the month at his school.

John Thoming has recovered from facial surgery. He now looks much like John Wayne! Next week John will be in John Day Oregon and **Carole** will be off to visit a relative in SoCal I believe.

Mike Kumler said the president of the Oakdale Kiwanis Club is recovering from a stroke. I do need a hearing aid because I couldn't hear the name.

Jim Mesquit said he's enjoying being back with us. "A nice group."

Charlie disclosed on our unsuspecting guest speaker that this is her birthday. Roxanne Bernal might have forgotten this b-day were it not for our special rendition of Happy Birthday. She tried to smile and managed to keep her hands from slamming against her ears. Yet, without Craig, "our song" was not quite up to par.

Jerry Jackman is delighted to have gotten confirmation that his only granddaughter will be coming to visit for an unknown length of stay this summer. Elishka is just shy of 17 and has lived in the Czech Republic for the past 15 years. She was born in Fairbanks Alaska.

Bill Gordin has wins and losses in a visit to Black Oak casino.

Chris Field played 3 games of pickle ball while **John** worked.

Roxanne Bernal filled us in on the summer activities of the Boys and Girls Clubs. They offer important support to young people from 7am until 6pm at 7 summer camp locations She said a "camp" for teens is also under construction next to the old SOS campus in West Modesto behind John Thurman field.

Jerry Jackman
Scribe

2021 Impact

In 2021 BGCSC....

Served 1114 Young People

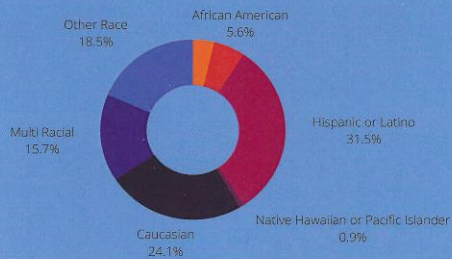


70% Qualified for Free or Reduced Lunch

Membership Demographics



52% Male 48% Female



Highlights



- Supported Distance Learning by opening 3 distance learning camps that remained open until all students went back to in-person school.
- Reopened After School Programs for Students who Returned to the Classroom
- Hosted Summer Camp at 3 locations
- Opened 5 new locations in August of 2021

96%

FEEL SAFE FROM HARM WHILE AT THE CLUB

86%

Feel like they can stand up for what they think is right, even if their friends disagree

96%

There is an Adult from the Club who cares about me

89%

Of our member report they are going to college

89%

People at the Club Accept me for Who I am

100%

of our teens report they volunteer their time at least once per week

This Is What Families & Youth Had to Say

"It's nice here. We get snacks and exercise after school I have a lot of fun here"
- Dagny 5th grade



"I like that i can play football and I get to play with Ms. A and Ms. Tanae"
- Raiden 4th grade



"Being a part of the Boys & Girls Clubs makes me feel cool"
- Brook 3rd grade



"The kids were able to interact with diverse group of kids, volunteers and leaders. It's a place for kids to feel safe and cared about, whatever they may have going on in their lives. And it was especially helpful for the kids to help navigate them during this crazy pandemic" - Kris BGC Parent



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