

MODESTO KIWANIS

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EDITORS ROTATION SCHEDULE

May 24 John Hertle for 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 24th Christine Schweinger, CEO
Valley Builders Exchange

May 31st Save Mart - “starship” robots

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CTO: 12:05 **President John Field**

Ron Freitas Led the pledge where the flag was located at the far SW corner of the room

Don A and Jeremiah W DUO led us in My Country tis of Thee

Jeremiah blessed our group along with introducing;

New Member **Kevin**

Guest/member prospect Jennifer Houston

Speaker Christine Schweinger

Reports:

Key Club DCM, attended by **John Field**. It was their Awards Night. **John Field** was presented with a Distinguished Service Award for the late **Jan Jeager**. He passed the plaque around to us to view.

Prez John also presented Scholarships to the Aspire Academy but went to the school (the old SOS) and no one was there. He found out it was being held at John Thurman Field where there was a full Graduation AND Scholarship Awards.

Prez John during his speech told the group the Beginning of Kiwanis started in 1915 Detroit Michigan as the "Brotherhood of _____. (too long to remember) The original club changed the name to Kiwanis which is an Native American word meaning "We Trade". The Club Later changed their slogan to "WE BUILD".

Harold Petersen asked his guest to introduce herself as he always screwed it up. Jennifer Houston (his Neighbor too) is Co-Assistant Manager at the Gallo Center for the Arts. She helps manage the incoming shows and all the volunteers. In other words, "I'm the Chief Grunt Worker"! Jennifer also talked about the relaxed Covid-19 rules etc.

June 4th 4-7pm, Graffiti USA Car Museum is hosting a "Drive-through Chicken Dinner, ¼ chicken, pasta, salad, roll, cookie @ \$25

May 25th at the Museum is our DCM

NEXT WEEKs program

Starship Cruisers, those little food carrying robots at Save Mart Stores

Jeremiah chatted about the 4th of July committee meeting at **Dave Epps** home yesterday. Our own Kevin Scott is the designated photographer! The parade is being dedicated to our own Terry McGrath. Grand Marshal MJC.

Happy Sad \$s

Jim Mesquit ordered new pants. They came. Looked great but didn't fit ☹

Craig \$5 for 5 day 'Hombre' trip to Mexico. There was video and tequila involved! His Partner, Sharita, went to Mexico when he returned but her return flight was cancelled and She had to book new ones out of pocket for return flights and hotel rooms. Do you think a Collection Company will be knocking on United's door?

John H had \$2 for Porchfest, he just opened his patio doors and listened to the music and the Wool Growers event. He also claimed to have seen the tequila video.

Don A His grandson graduated for 6th grade. His daughter graduated from Downey Hi with a Scholarship in dance and Choreography.

Bill G, His twin granddaughters are graduating 8th grade.

John F \$4 for Warriors, Wool Growers and 'wonderful wife'

Jeremiah, Kevin Scott, Jennifer and Christine plus the Porchfest. He didn't get to all of them but he tried.

Marble Game:

Jim Mesquit drew the lucky ticket but not the correct marble!
Next week \$55?

PROGRAM

Jeremiah introduced:

Christine Schweinger, CEO Valley Builders Exchange

Christine was formerly with the Hispanic Chamber and still sits on the board of Hospice.

Christine has been with VBE for 2 ½ years and the Builders Exchange has been around for 75 years.

The 1st Skyscraper was built in Chicago in 1884

VBE is a non-profit member organization working with its members and the community. They hold networking event for it's members. Some of their fundraisers put on trade shows and educational programs for young adults. This year they awarded

\$24000 in scholarships to graduating seniors. A recent Fair was well attended for 'Women in the Industry'. The VBE also acts as a clearing house for members to look into and bid other projects in the area.

Their next event will have a keynote speaker, Mary Teichert, CEO Teichert Construction

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