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JIM NORTH IN THE 1940 WACO



The Slant photo by Barbara Molino

July 7 Meeting

Report on International Convention

OPENING

President Designate Andrea Alvarado opened the meeting right on time. Jim North led a rousing "My Country Is Of Thee", Cindy Eager led the Pledge, and Dave Bultena blessed the proceedings.

GUESTS

No guests today...well, except for "Mom", but she isn't really a guest, now is she?

SONG TIME

Jim North was asked by the President Designate to lead the club in song. The members, in fine voice, joined him in "Wait 'Till The Sun Shines Nellie."

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Andrea announced the Board of Directors meeting for tonight at Secretary Barbara Applying's home. Time is 18:30. Division 46 Division Council Meeting (DCM) is in Sonora on Thursday, 22 July at 6pm.

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS

Cindy Eager had \$HH to celebrate her 20th anniversary. Elaine Parker put in \$H for all the produce her garden is producing (redundancy?). Lee Andersen had the new "monkey" with him; was \$S he had no guest. Kathy Wyman was \$H to be going on vacation. Andrea was \$H to have celebrated the 4th with the Kiwanis Club of Mariposa at their annual celebration. Jim North was: \$S for stolen computer, \$S for elbow infection, \$H for visiting with family in Southern California, \$H for airplane ride in a 1940 Waco at Torrance Aviation Museum, \$H for celebrating 54th wedding anniversary today. He had to remind the naysayers that it's not how much one puts in; it's the sentiment behind it!

THE PROGRAM

President Designate Andrea introduced Jim North to make a report on the International Convention. The convention was held in Las Vegas from 16-18 June at the Las Vegas Convention Center. Over 7000 Kiwanians and guests attended, of whom nearly 4,500 were delegates.

The trip started with a visit to San Diego to attend the high school graduation of one of Jim and Judy's grandchildren. After a brief visit in Rancho Palos Verdes with the Molino's, it was off to Las Vegas. On Friday Jim had a chance to play the Legacy Golf Course in the morning and on Saturday it was Angel Park Golf Course. The North's and Molino's attended the Tournament of Knights at Excalibur with friends of the Molino's (Tony Molino is Past Distinguished Lieutenant Governor of Davison 19 and is married to Barbara (North).

Thursday afternoon was the opening session. The keynote speaker was General Colin Powell, USA (Ret), former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General Powell spoke on the need for community service and related some of the accomplishments of Kiwanis. He challenged us to continue to grow and provide service to the worldwide community.

At the opening session the newest Worldwide Service Project (WSP) was announced. Teo Leoni was on hand to make the enthusiastic announcement that the "EliMiNaTe Project" had been chosen. In cooperation with UNICEF, Kiwanis International Foundation will work toward elimination of Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus world wide. Over 129 million women and babies will be benefited from this \$110 million effort.

The Friday session was the House of Delegates, considering various proposals submitted by the International Board of Trustees and various Kiwanis clubs. While many proposals generated little discussion, others produced vigorous debate among the delegates. Notable among

Cover: Jim North is ready for takeoff in the 1940 WACO, a WWII trainer. Bud Elliott pilots the aircraft from the back seat. Jim's son-in-law, Tony Molino, had purchased the ride at a Kiwanis fundraiser in the silent auction. He presented the ride to Jim as a gift.
The Slant Photo by Barbara Molino

The ELIMINATE Project

Let's save more lives

Having saved millions of lives through its campaign to virtually eliminate iodine deficiency disorders, Kiwanis is set to battle another scourge that kills 160 children every day: maternal and neonatal tetanus. The new global campaign for children was announced this past June 24 during the Opening Session of the [Kiwanis International Convention](#) in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Joining forces with UNICEF, Kiwanis and its 600,000 family members will raise US\$110 million to eliminate this disease that kills one baby every nine minutes.

Tetanus spores are found everywhere—in the air, soil and contaminated objects. Bacteria can enter a mother's body through an open wound and pass through a newly cut umbilical cord. The effects are excruciating—tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and become hypersensitive to light, sound and touch. Even a mother's soothing voice and comforting caresses are unbearable. Kiwanis will devote the 2010-11 administrative year to educating its members about the disease and the Kiwanis campaign, preparing for the campaign launch at the 2011 international convention in Geneva, Switzerland, July 7-10.



Kiwanis International President Paul Palazzo, UNICEF's Ambassador Téa Leoni and U.S. Fund for UNICEF President & CEO Caryl Stern celebrate the announcement of The Eliminate Project.

A historic moment

[Watch](#) the global campaign announcement.

Meeting 7 July (Continued from page 2)

those approved were bylaws changes concerning discipline of international officers, criminal history background checks for candidates for international office, and the option for districts to have a vice-governor in addition to the present position of governor-elect. Defeated were proposals to have a fee charged to clubs for conventions (eliminating individual registration fees) and a proposal to create a summarizing preface to the Kiwanis Objects. A proposal to discount dues for members 65 and older died for lack of a motion.

Election of officers for the 2010-2011 year was held. Elected were: Sylvester Neal (Auburn, Washington) President; Alan Penn (Medina, Ohio) President-Elect; Thomas E DeJujlio (Bronxville, New York) Vice President. Trustees elected were: John M Johnson (Marietta, Georgia), Oscar E Knight III (San Diego, California), and Susan A Petrisin (Lansing, Michigan). These trustees are all from the USA and Pacific Canada Region.

DRAWING AND CLOSING

Lee Andersen and Mom Brown each won \$8. Lotto tickets went to Jim North, Elaine Parker, and Lee Andersen.

The meeting was closed at 13:00.

July 14 Meeting

Report on International Convention

OPENING

President Steve Wilson opened the meeting at 12:20 (or thereabouts) Songmeister Keith King led the members in "The Star Spangled Banner" (for years this was the opening song...nice to have it back); Kathy Wyman led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Dave Bultena blessed the proceedings.

GUESTS

No guests today...well, except for "Mom", but she isn't really a guest, now is she?

SONG TIME

"Pass out the song books," a familiar call to action, was made by song leader Keith King. Lee Andersen chimed in with the comment, "It's the moment I've been waiting for," and I think he offered to sing solo or something along that line. Anyhow, mercifully, his offer was rejected (have you ever stood next to him when he 'sings'?) Keith then trotted out two old chestnuts: "Won't You Come Home Bill Bailey?" and "While Strutting Through the Park One Day".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Russ McSwain reported that the final net for the tri-tip carry out was \$811. Nice result for the first year.

President Steve announced that the scholarship recipients will be present at the August 11 meeting.

Dave Brown invited people to look at the club web site (www.kiwanismerced.org). He'll talk about it next week.

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS

Keith King had a question \$ about the North dog bite...a bit of old news, but North reported that he has recovered nicely, thank you. Lee Andersen presented the "new monkey". Had a \$H because he thought it better than the "old one"...North bemoaned the fact that a new creature had been substituted sureptiously (couldn't find it in "spell check")in his absence. Dave Brown was \$H for having dinner from his garden, and Elaine was \$H likewise. Steve Wilson was \$H that Lisa's recent surgery was successful. He was also \$H to celebrate 30 years working for the City of Merced (he's in the finance office). Sheila Sellers was \$H to be here; Lee Andersen was also a happy gardner...\$H for great crop of Johnson grass.

RECOGNITION

Jim North got Lee Andersen with his pink gumball; Russ went after Keith, and Kathy stuck Dave Bultena...which Lee immediately paid because Dave was wearing a Jack L Boyd (Camp Green Meadows) T shirt.

THE PROGRAM

No program today.

DRAWING AND CLOSE

Steve Wilson and Lee Andersen each got \$10 from the 50/50. Lee, Steve, and "Mom" also won the Lotto tickets.

The meeting was closed at 12:46

**LOOKING TO THE FUTURE
KIWANIS CLUB OF MERCED
MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULE**

July

21 Meeting Dave Brown The Kiwanis Club of Merced Web Site
28 Meeting Program TBA

**KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
CALIFORNIA NEVADA HAWAII DISTRICT
DIVISION 46**

July 22 Division 46 Council Meeting Sonora
August 19-21 Cal Nev Ha District Convention Silver Legacy Lake Tahoe NV

OOPS! OUR MISTAKE

(In the interest of honest, fair and accurate reporting, we will, when the occasion dictates, take note of errors in The Slant. We don't anticipate that happening very often, but we do anticipate that you will let us know when it does. That's OK...it lets us know someone really reads this stuff.)

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF MERCED

Founded February 5, 1929
 Meets Wednesday at 12:10 PM
 The Elks Club, 1910 M Street, Merced, CA
MISSION STATEMENT

The Kiwanis Club of Merced shall have a commitment to the youth of the world by service to the community.

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

MEMBERSHIP -ACTIVE-

<u>MEMBER'S NAME</u>	<u>PROFESSION</u>
Afonso, Herman	Merced Cnty Deputy Sheriff (Ret)
Afonso, Marihelen	Supervising RN Valley St Prison Women
Appling, Barbara	Merced Cnty Human Services Agency
Alvarado, Andrea (Vern)	Merced County Office of Education
Andersen, Lee* (Ann)	County Supt of Schools
Briggs, Susan	Dep Dir Merced Cnty Comm Action Agency
Brown, Dave (Kathy)	
Brown, Kristal	Teacher
Bultena, David*	Ret Merced Cnty Dist Atty Office
Eager, Cindi	Rabo Bank (Yosemite Ave) Manager
King, Keith* (Shirley)	Keith King Law Offices
Mahacek*, Richard (Susan)	UC Agricultural Extension (4H)
Martinez, Robert (Silvana)	Broker Exit Realty International
McSwain, Russ	Real Estate Broker
Mercando*, Larry	Retired
Mercando, Melissa	
North*+, Jim (Judy)	Major, USAF (Ret) Hot Dog Vendor
Parker, Elaine (Rob)	Col, USAF (Ret) Sierra One Consulting
Ryan, Michael (Sam)	
Sellers, Sheila	Retired Educator
Valadez, Julio	Insurance Representative (K of C)
Warren, Judy	California Canine Academy (President)
Weidenmiller, Nancy	Major, USAF (Ret)
Wilson*, Steve (Lisa)	Merced City Finance Office
Wyman*, Kathy	Merced County Office of Education

TOTAL ACTIVE THIS ISSUE: 25)
 (AS OF 1 APRIL 2010)

—SENIOR—

(Total Membership This Issue 25)

—HONORARY—

* Past President + Past Lieutenant Governor

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meets 2nd Wednesday 6:00pm

President	Steve Wilson
President Designate	Andrea Alvarado
Secretary	Barbara Appling
Treasurer	Robert Martinez
Immediate Past Pres	Kathy Wyman
2008-2010	2009-2011
Russ McSwain	Vacant
Dave Brown	Herman Afonso
Elaine Parker	Mike Ryan

KIWANIS FAMILY

International President
 Paul Palazzolo
Governor, CalNevHa District
 Roy Talley
Lieutenant Governor Division 46
 Jeremiah Williams (Modesto)
CalNevHa Trustee Region 12
 Dick Brown (Oakdale)

Area Kiwanis Clubs
 Kiwanis Club of Greater Merced
 Mondays 12:00 Elks Club
 Kiwanis Club of Atwater-Winton
 Kiwanis Club of Castle-Atwater

Sponsored Leadership Programs
 Key Club Golden Valley High School
 Key Club Merced High School
 Key Club Atwater High School
 KIWIN'S Merced High School



OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.

To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.

To promote the adoption and application of higher social, business, and professional standards.

To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.

To provide, through Kiwanis Clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.

To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.

Adopted in Denver, June 17, 1924

At The Kiwanis International

Convention