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JIM VAUGHN VISITS THE CLUB



The Slant photo by Jim North

22 JUNE MEETING ONLY 8 IN ATTENDANCE TODAY

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OPENING: President Andrea opened the meeting at 12:14, Jim North led the club in the patriotic song, “My Country ‘Tis Of Thee”, John Carlos led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Russ McSwain blessed the proceedings

GUESTS: Former member Jim Vaughn was the guest of Lee Andersen. Jim was the club advisor for Keywanettes, the forerunner of KIWIN’S. Nice to see you again, Jim. Also introduced was Maxwell Norton, our speaker.

VARIOUS REPORTS: President Andrea didn’t have any reports today. She did remind us that the Division 46 Division Council Meeting is tomorrow night (Thursday, 23 Jun) at Oakdale.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: As previously reported, none today.

HAPPY/SAD & RECOGNITION: Andrea was \$\$ that she didn’t pass her 4th CPA exam (“If at first you don’t succeed, try, try again!”...that’s what my Mother always said.) John Carlos was \$H to be taking a load of dogs up north. Russ McSwain was \$H to be almost rid of the shingles; \$H that his son is 48 years old. Lee Andersen was \$H to have Jim Vaughn as a guest today.

DRAWING: Steve Wilson took home the \$13 today, leaving the Lotto tickets for Russ McSwain, Jim Vaughn, and John Carlos.



Lee Andersen introduced our program today
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KIWANIS CLUB OF MERCED

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

- Junior Olympics
- Special Olympics
- Middle School Academic Achievement Awards
- Playhouse Merced Youth Conservancy
- College Scholarships
- Sponsored Leadership
- Merced High KIWIN’S
- UC Merced Circle K Club
- Merced Rescue Mission
- Annual Thanksgiving Dinner
- Young Children Priority One
- Pediatric Trauma Prevention



Maxwell Norton was here to tell about his trip to Morocco.
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THE PROGRAM: Lee Andersen introduced Maxwell Norton of the University of California Agricultural Extension. He had attended the 4th International Fig Symposium in Morocco. They are experimenting in growing various varieties in Morocco. The fresh fig industry in Merced County is growing, and Morocco is the principal competition. They also have a large scale almond industry as we do in Merced.

Tourism is the number one industry in Morocco, where they envision themselves as much European as they do Arabic. French and a dialect of Arabic are the principal languages.

Maxwell showed various slides of the agricultural industry as well as the various cities and areas he visited. The Moroccans live in a climate and environment very similar to that of the Central Valley, and they experience many of the same problems, namely that of water priorities. However, since they don’t have much discussion over it...whatever the head man says is where the water goes, mainly to support their tourism.

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KIWANIS FOUNDATIONS WORKING FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD

ELIMINATE

Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus



KIWANIS WORLD WIDE SERVICE PROJECT –The ELIMINATE Project Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. This deadly disease steals the lives of 60,000 innocent babies and 30,000 mothers each year. The

effects of the disease are excruciating tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch. To eliminate MNT from the Earth by 2015, 129 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. Eliminating MNT from the face of the Earth will reach the poorest, most neglected mothers and babies with additional lifesaving health care. The end of this one disease means the beginning of better health for so many families.



KIWANIS IS SAVING KIDS LIVES: The Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation with Loma Linda University Children's Hospital in 2004 to provide training in pediatric emergency medicine to a qualified physician. With the backing of a grant totaling more than

\$400,000, the "Kiwanis Doctor Program" has now successfully trained two doctors: Dr. Thorp and Dr. Young. Now we are training the third doctor. Dr. Thorp and Dr. Young have collaborated with Kiwanis to share their knowledge gained during their training in pediatric emergency medicine with paramedics, nurses, and other doctors who care for critically ill and injured children within the rural areas of the Cal-Nev-Ha District. These Kiwanis sponsored training seminars have been conducted as far north as Eureka, California and as far south as El Centro, California with many areas in between. Clubs, divisions, and individuals are encouraged to donate toward the Kiwanis Doctor Program. More info: call the (877) 597-1770, ext. 116 or go to www.cnhfoundation.org



PEDIATRIC TRAUMA PROGRAMS: Recognizing the serious need for education and training in the areas of pediatric trauma and injury prevention, the Kiwanis Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation established the Pediatric Trauma Program in 1994. Our mission is to develop local projects, which will reduce the number of children in our district who are killed or injured by trauma.

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Are YOU the one?



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

2011

JUNE

29 Meeting The Flag Jim North

July

06 Meeting

13 Meeting

20 Meeting

27 Meeting

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

2011

July 7-10 International Convention Geneva Switzerland

CALIFORNIA NEVADA HAWAII DISTRICT

2011

August 18-20 District Convention San Diego Town & Country Convention Center

DIVISION 46

2011

August 11 Division Council Meeting Greater Modesto

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-

MEMBER'S NAME

PROFESSION

Afonso, Herman	Merced Cnty Deputy Sheriff (Ret)
Afonso, Marihelen	Supervising RN Valley St Prison Women
Appling, Barbara	Merced County Human Services Agency
Alvarado, Andrea (Vern)	Merced County Office of Education
Andersen, Lee* (Ann)	County Supt of Schools
Brown, Dave (Kathy)	Computer Technician
Brown, Kristal	Teacher
Bultena, David*	Ret Merced County District Attorney's Office
Carlos, John (Eleanor)	Retired. Board of Directors, Zoological Society
Eager, Cindi	Rabo Bank (Yosemite Ave) Manager
Fogelberg, Lisa	Hair By Lisa
King, Keith* (Shirley)	Keith King Law Offices
Mahacek*, Richard (Susan)	UC Agricultural Extension (4H)
McSwain, Russ	Real Estate Broker
Mercando*, Larry	Retired KIWIN'S Advisor
Mercando, Melissa	KIWIN'S Advisor
North*+, Jim (Judy)	Major, USAF (Ret) Hot Dog Vendor
Sellers, Sheila	Retired Educator
Weidenmiller, Nancy	Major, USAF (Ret)
Wilson*, Steve (Lisa)	Merced City Finance Office
Wyman*, Kathy	Merced County Office of Education
Xiong, Michelle	Merced United Way KIWIN'S Advisor

TOTAL ACTIVE THIS ISSUE: 22)
 (AS OF 1 December 2010)

—SENIOR—

(Total Membership This Issue 22)

—HONORARY—

* Past President + Past Lieutenant Governor

Distinguished Club 2006-2007

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meets 2nd Wednesday 6:00pm

President	Andrea Alvarado (Vern)
President Elect	Dave Brown (Kathy)
Secretary	Barbara Appling
Treasurer	Steve Wilson (Lisa)
Immediate Past Pres	Kathy Wyman

2009-2011

John Carlos
 Herman Afonso (Marihelen)
 Vacant

2009-2011

Vacant
 Vacant
 Russ McSwain

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

President	Sylvester Neal (Auburn, Washington)
President Elect	A Alan Penn (Medina, Ohio)
International Trustee (USA)	Oscar E Knight III (San Diego)

California Nevada Hawaii District

Governor	Thomas W "Tom" Millham (Tahoe Sierra)
Governor Elect	Richard G "Dick" Olmstead (Palmdale West)
Trustee (12)	Dick Brown (Clovis)

Division 46

Lieutenant Governor Al Smith (Groveland)

Clubs

- Atwater-Winton** President: Bob Miller
Tue Noon Casablanca Restaurant 2181 Shaffer Rd Atwater
- Castle-Atwater** President: Jess Ambriz
Thu Noon Casablanca Restaurant 2181 Shaffer Rd Atwater
- Greater Ceres** President: Donald Harris
Tue Noon The Waffle Shop 2500 Mitchell Rd Ceres
- Greater Merced** President: Ellen Taylor
Mon Noon Elks Club 19th & M Sts Merced
- Greater Modesto** President: John Field
Tue Noon The Seasons 945 McHenry Ave Modesto
- Greater Sonora** President: Bill Beck
Tue 7am Pine Tree Restaurant 19601 Hwy 108
- Greater Turlock** President: Ruth Reilly
Fri 6:45am Latif's Restaurant 111 N Golden St Blvd Turlock
- Groveland** President: David Holcomb
Tue (1st, 3rd, 4th) Foothills Community Church Groveland
- Los Banos** President: Gloria Mendonce
Tue (2nd, 3rd, 4th) Country Waffle 845 W Pacheco Blvd LB
- Mariposa** President: Eleanor Keuning
Wed Noon The Miner's Inn Hwy 140 & Hwy 49 Mariposa
- Merced** President: Andrea Alvarado
Wed Noon Elks Club 19th & M Sts Merced
- Modesto** President: Margaret Trammell
Wed Noon The Seasons 945 McHenry Ave Modesto
- North Modesto** President: J Michael Boyd
Thu Noon The Seasons 945 McHenry Ave Modesto
- Oakdale** President: Linda Royalty
Tue 7am Ryderz Restaurant 875 East F St Oakdale
- Sonora** President: Mike Mandell
Fri 7am Pine Tree Restaurant 19601 Hwy 108
- Turlock** President: Ken Hood
Tue Noon Home Town Buffet 1665 Countryside Dr Turlock



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.

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