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**UNITE
FOR
GOOD**



February SAA's
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President Steve Stout

Path to Hanford: After a brief retirement, he became Fire Chief of Kingsburg in 2019, serving four years there before taking on the interim Fire Chief role in Hanford. He was named permanent Fire Chief in April 2024, succeeding Chief Steve Pendergrass.



Daniel C. Perkins is the Fire Chief of the Hanford Fire Department, serving as the department's 15th fire chief since the city's incorporation in 1891.

Hanford Fire Department Daniel Perkins

Background: Perkins is a native of the Antelope Valley region of Southern California. He began his career as an EMT and paramedic, joining American Ambulance in Fresno in 1990. He later worked as a firefighter and paramedic for the City of Sanger before joining the Fresno Fire Department in 2001, where he rose to the rank of Battalion Chief before retiring in 2018.

Current priorities: Chief Perkins has been vocal about the department's pressing needs, including more firefighters and a fourth fire station (planned for northwest Hanford) to reduce response times. In 2024, HFD responded to 6,532 emergency calls, with average response times of about 7 minutes 30 seconds — well above the 4-minute national











Fines!



My wife just stopped and said,
"You weren't even listening,
were you?
I thought to myself...
"That's a pretty strange way to
start off a conversation."



Ticket
John V
Badge
Kristi

Fines!



President Steve had everyone stand. Those that did something special for their Valentine could sit down. All others paid a fine.

John K paid \$25

Johnny paid \$10

Kathy paid \$20

Larry Ayers fined \$25 but Steve paid it for Larry being in town.

Dean paid \$50 for his new car.

Joe paid 20 in celebration of Steve being out of the country (Guatemala) for two weeks.

Larry A paid \$50 for Kristi's maybe new/old car. She may be buying Dean's corvette. She did not get a Rotary member discount for the car.

News you can use!



Visit the Apple Store
Apple AirTag (2nd Generation): Tracker for Keychain, Wallet, and More; Locator with Sound; Simple One-Tap Setup with iPhone or iPad; Key Finder with up to 1.5X Precision Finding Range*

4.4 ★★★★★ (144)

Amazon's Choice



\$29⁰⁰ [Price history](#)

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Amazon has air tags.



\$99⁰⁰ [Price history](#)

People are now using air tags for many reasons. One great use is to put an air tag in your luggage. If your luggage does not make your destination, then you can track the air tag to find your luggage. Get the air tag 2 as it tracks 50% farther. Air tags have reduced lost bags at airports by 90%.

Another great use is to keep an air tag in your car in the event it is stolen. Also, you may want to keep an air tag in your purse or whatever bag you use daily. You may want to put an air tag in your child's backpack.

If Lee Fausett had put an air tag in his jacket he could have checked and found out his jacket was in my car after he left it on his chair!!!!!!!!!!



Recipe Corner Make it!

Cheesecake swirl

Ingredients:

- 1 cup brownie mix
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup water
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup mini chocolate chips (optional)
- Caramel and chocolate syrup, for drizzling

Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C) and line a muffin pan with paper cupcake liners.

In a medium bowl, mix together the brownie mix, vegetable oil, egg, and water until a smooth, glossy batter forms.

Scoop about two tablespoons of the brownie batter into each liner, filling them halfway to leave room for the cheesecake layer.

In another bowl, beat the softened cream cheese with sugar and vanilla extract until the mixture is silky and well combined.

Drop a spoonful of the cream cheese mixture onto each brownie base.



Gently swirl the cheesecake layer into the brownie with a toothpick or knife for a marbled look.

Top with mini chocolate chips, if using, to add extra texture and sweetness.

Bake for 20–22 minutes, or until the centers are set and the tops appear slightly puffed.

Allow to cool completely in the pan before transferring to the refrigerator to chill for at least 30 minutes.

Finish with a drizzle of caramel and chocolate syrup before serving for a picture-perfect dessert.



February 26 TBD

March 5 South Valley Industrial Collaborative

Matt Hamilton

March 12 Adventist Nurses Honor Guard Trista Campos

March 26 CHP Commander Mike Wolfe

There's an unwritten rule:

If you need something and It's available at your mom's house, It's yours.



It's easy to make a monthly donation to H.R.C.F. Just ask Bruce to bill you!



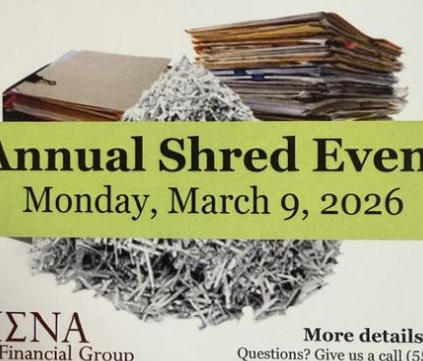
11 Crab Feed surveys were completed and turned in today at the meeting. Please get your survey turned in by March 5, 2026.

Amory is now the owner of JH Tackett. Her ribbon cutting will be March 17 at 4:30pm. She would like all members to attend.

Please get your crab feed money turned it to Bruce B!

Announcements!

SAVE THE DATE



Annual Shred Event
Monday, March 9, 2026

ATHENA
Financial Group
Innovative Financial Design

More details to follow.
Questions? Give us a call (559) 583-1617.

For more info see Susan!

Michael announced the grand opening of Building Kings County at the Carnegie Friday February 20, 2026. See below slide.



Birthdays/Club Anniversaries

February Birthdays

Kristi Lee 2/1

Wayne Kuhn 2/17

Jason Fry 2/19

Joan Darling 2/20

Tom Davis 2/28

Roger McCort 2/14

*Happy
Birthday!*

February Club Anniversaries

Wayne Kuhn 2/8

Susan Tackett 2/14

Alex Perez 2/27



Maritza Lemus/Luis 2/14

Henry Ordonez/Alicia 2/23



The person sitting next to me on a flight was a woman. Ever the charmer, I used one of my pick-up lines on her. I asked, "Does the airline charge you extra for sitting next to good-looking men?" "Yes," she replied, "**but I wasn't willing to pay.**"



**CARNEGIE
MUSEUM
OF KINGS COUNTY**

**OPEN
FRI — SUN
1-5 PM**



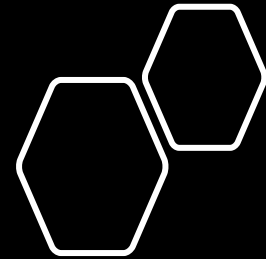
**BUILDING
KINGS COUNTY**



Part 1 **FEB 21
JULY 26**

Part 2 **SEP 11
DEC 13**

CARNEGIEMUSEUMOFKINGSCOUNTY.ORG





The District Governor's PAUL HARRIS MATCHING CHALLENGE

December 15, 2025 — March 1, 2026

Now is your chance to shine as a Paul Harris Fellow. And double your impact!

Every donation up to \$500 to The Rotary Foundation will be matched with recognition points.

This offer is available to first-time and multiple Paul Harris Fellows in District 5230.

The District Governor will recognize donations of \$100 or more at the District Conference in May 2026.

If you join the Paul Harris Society during this challenge — pledging to donate \$1,000 annually to The Rotary Foundation — you will receive special recognition at the conference.

Two easy ways to donate:

- Visit MyRotary.org or scan the QR code and email a copy of your receipt to:

District Foundation Chair — Bruce Mackey, savvycyclist@gmail.com

- Deliver a check to your Club Foundation Chair



"Service Above Self"





MEMBERSHIP

When you invite a guest please introduce the person as your guest, not as a potential member. After your guest attends a few meetings and we think they are a good fit for the club, then you as the member will fill out a short form proposing membership. It then goes to the board for approval. After the board approves, it will go to the membership for approval or disapproval. If approved, then you can approach your guest to see if they would like to join the club. We are an invite club. We need to get back to the structured way of proposing people for membership. If you have questions, ask Kathy or Lori!

***If you Remember the truth, you
don't have to remember
anything!***



Monthly Board Meetings: All members are welcome to attend board meetings which occur the second Thursday of the month right after the noon meeting. Board President Steve Stout, President-Elect, Patrick Nelson, Vice President, Gaby Curtis, Kristi Lee, Immediate Past President, Joan Darling, Secretary, Bruce Bentley, Treasurer, Member at large Judy Holwell, Joe Casey Member at large, Joan Darling, Sergeant at Arms, Club Administration, Gaby Curtis, Kathy Andes, Membership Director, and Lori Bentley Public Image Director, Director PP Victor Rosa, New Generations Director, PDG Bruce Mackey, Rotary Foundation Director, PP, Robert Butts, International Director.

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