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Bulletin from Nov. 19, 2020 Meeting

Presiding: Robert Husman

Pledge: George Bairey

Prayer: Tim Ragsdale

Guests: Once again, a wonderful contingent of Key Clubbers from Vanguard, Beyer, Davis and Enochs high schools. Isabella, Rose, Mariana, Althaea, Zoei, Josilynna, Kaziah, Sophie and Montseratt.

Announcements: Isabella Mendoza gave us a rundown on the Battle of The Branches, a sort of mental Olympics for Division 46. We are invited to have one or more teams or individuals and spectators to the event, planned Saturday, Nov. 28 from 2 to 4 p.m. It will be done via Zoom. Signups using Google forms. She'll be sending out a link for signups.

Zoei thanked Robert Husman for joining their virtual project making origami hearts.

Robert sent out by email a request from our member Steve Ashman for individual donations to help support CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates). Its annual golf tournament could not be held this year because of COVID. They are asking for \$20 per person to have your name listed on their holiday card. PO BOX 3488, Modesto, CA 95353

What have we done to help others: Judy reported that CalTrans asks for a five-year commitment for groups wanting to clean up state highways, such as Highway 132 (part of which is named for Dennis Wallace). The Stanislaus County parks department will get back to us with a possible park project.

Birthdays: A.J. Figueroa.

Wedding Anniversaries: None this week.

Membership Anniversaries: Gary Vukovich

Happy/Sad Bucks

Steve Collins is happy to have the cast off his foot, although the boot he has to wear is a bit clunky. They've been helped by friends from church who have been delivering food.



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Robert is happy to have completed repairs of dry rot on his roof before the rain arrived.

Charlie Christensen is happy that he and Trish and their daughters got away for a few days to Cambria.

Eric and Carol Benson had a nice trip to Kauai, where there are very few tourists these days.

Gary Goodman and three other NMK members escaped to Paso Robles for golf and wine tasting, etc.

Program

Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters Donna Linder returned to provide a post mortem on the Nov. 3 election. Our county provided outdoor, indoor and curbside drop boxes for voters to turn in their mail ballots, plus 27 satellite offices that were open the last four days before the election. Unlike some counties, Stanislaus had few lines, with the longest time voters had to wait between 45 minutes and an hour.

Voters turned their ballots in earlier than in previous big elections. And the turnout for this election was almost 77 percent. Very few ballots were rejected for lack of a signature or other problems.

Donna responded to a number of questions about the process. She said the county hopes to finish the canvass this Friday or next Monday, earlier than in the 2016 or 2018.

Upcoming Programs

Nov. 26 -- No program – Happy Thanksgiving

Dec. 3 – Board report

Dec. 10 – Dan Germain from Kiwanis Family House (rescheduled from Oct. 22)

Dec. 17 -- Wayne Zipser, CEO of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau (and a Turlock Kiwanian). Backup &/or side kick: Tom Orvis.

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve

Dec. 31 -- first of two weeks featuring the candidates in the runoff for Modesto Mayor. Up first: Sue Zwahlen, followed by Doug Ridenour.



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