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Bulletin

January 14, 2021 Meeting

Presiding: President Robert Husman

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Pre-meeting Musings & Non Sequitur:

Some of the best fellowship happens before the bell. Indicating how important these friendships are to all of us. Join the Zoom Call Early to participate.

One notable item was a would-be-sad-but-can't-be-because-it's-before-the-bell from Steve Collins who reported that he had just discovered that his decades old computer was no longer worth fixing. As a result immediately after club he would be on his way down to Best Buy to Buy a new one. Adrian Crane commented that the time comes when our computers no longer run fast enough to be useful. I thought -- I could really relate to that. I no longer run fast enough to be useful. :-/ This is Marty Villa and I'm doing the bulletin this morning.

7:08am - Robert rang the bell

Pledge:

Eric Benson

Prayer:

Marty Villa

Solo Song:

None attempted - Gary Goodman wasn't here today. :-)



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Guests:

An Interclub from the past ... Mike Boyer, Jeff Souza, Rob Carter and Steve Smoley joined our Zoom Call from the former North West Modesto Kiwanis Club of which Ken Darby & Bob Dunbar were also members of Modesto Kiwanis. **Ken Darby** invited and introduced them to us. NWMK disbanded 25 years ago, then Ken & Bob joined NMK.

Kevin Scott introduced a guest and potential member Donna Walling - owner (with her husband Steve who was not present) of Stone Fire Pizza--formerly known as Medicci's--is located in the Mall next to the Apple Store. Trish Christiansen spoke up and said: "Excellent pizza!"

Kevin tells us that Donna & Steve are considering NMK Membership.

Trish Christiansen -- standing at Charlie's shoulder

Key Clubbers:

Key Club advisor Renuka Prakesh

Isabel Mendoza

Aralie

Mariana Arellano

Monica In

Zoei Quach

Announcements:

Richard Reimche announced the upcoming **HowardPrep** (formerly known as The Howard Training Center & a non profit NMK has supported for many years) **Crab Feed for Feb. 5th & 6th**. The event promises to be all-you-can-eat so check it out on line to how they achieve that virtually. Tickets and info available at <https://www.howardprep.org/events>

Ken Nolte, announced that today (now yesterday) there would be a Pajama Drop Off sponsored by the Key Clubbers. *So sorry I didn't get the details Ken, but then since I'm getting this out 2 days after, It doesn't really matter.*



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Judy Herrero announced that we now have a **new NMK Facebook page** that we hope to use to keep the community informed of our activities and to recruit new members. Our original page was a Public Group page, a good way to communicate with a specific group.

This new NMK FaceBook page has a *Send Message* button on it so that if someone has a question or would like the Zoom link for that week's meeting, for instance, we can respond to that person directly. We use this function frequently on our American Graffiti festival page. Multiple members are administrators of the page (Robert, Trish, Lori, Adrian, Judy and Keziah from Enochs Key Club, who is helping with graphics, etc.) and we have two editors (George and Brent). We can add others. Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthModestoKiwaniis>

Judy is asking us all to check it out! We invite members, spouses, etc. to LIKE the page and then the new posts will automatically show up on their Facebook feed.

Jeremiah Williams announced that on Monday, January 18th at 10:30AM there will be a virtual service commemorating Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy:

"STILL STANDING | The Dream Lives On"

<https://m.youtube.com/c/RevivalCenterModesto>

Brent Burnside: Announced the 2021 American Graffiti Car Show committee will be meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, Jan 20 at 7:00AM. On the agenda is NMK's plans to hold it on the city's Dryden Golf Course with some modifications.

PLEASE JOIN THIS COMMUNITY VIRTUAL EVENT

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021 AT 10:30AM
REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
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President Robert's Weekly Question: What has anybody done for the community?

Ken Darby is again crafting his toy cars & trucks that he donates to NMK charities that serve children.

Sean O'neil was ridding the community of bobcats & alligators--*NOT Modesto community though.*

Events:

Brent Burnside: American Graffiti Car Show meeting Wednesday, Jan, at the Graffiti USA Classic Car Museum 610 N. Ninth Street. We will have a show June 11-13, 2021 at the Dryden Golf Course. Details to follow after January 1.

Birthdays:

Jim Felt celebrated his 67th birthday with a family gathering.

Larry Robinson 1/12/43

Wedding Anniversaries:

None reported

Membership Anniversaries:

Bob Reidel 1/13/1981

Happy/Sad Bucks:

None Reported due to time -- Take note president Robert, That's two weeks in a row!.

Program:

Doug Ridenour - City of Modesto Mayoral Runoff Candidate

Doug began by saying hello to many good friends who are NMK Members. He then encouraged all those of us 65 or over to get our COVID Vaccination now being administered at the county Hospital on Scenic Drive.



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Doug was born & raised in Modesto & served our City on the MPD for 46 years. While he confesses to being a member of the “R” Club since 1995, he proudly claims many ties to our Kiwanis Club including being a founding member of the Classic Car Museum.

Doug loves Modesto and It’s people and is excited for its future. Having served on the City council since 2006, he understands the needs, systems and heart. His goal would be to hear all voices from all citizens.

Some of his primary concerns as mayor will be:

- Fiscal sustainability and accountability
- Developing a Comprehensive Plan
- Attending to our community’s homeless problem-- He said that the homeless population has changed requiring a different strategy to me the needs of these citizens
- Address the Impact of COVID on our city both financially and socially

For More info: <https://dougriidenourformayor.com>

Upcoming Programs:

Jan. 21: Sean O’Neil, our NMK member from Alabama, brings us our Annual Kudzu Report.

Kudzu (*Pueraria montana*) is a semi-woody, trailing or climbing, perennial invasive vine native to **China**, Japan, and the Indian subcontinent. **Kudzu** is also known as foot-a-night vine, Japanese arrowroot, Ko-hemp, and “**the vine that ate the South.**”

Jan. 28: Wendy Byrd: President of the NAACP - Modesto/Stanslaus

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