

# Bulletin

# April 22th, 2021 Meeting

**Presiding**: President Robert Husman, called the meeting to order at 7:06am. President Robert was at the Graffiti Car Museum along with a group of in-person Kiwanians and the zoom feed.

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**Song**: Gary 'Cool Tone' Goodman

**Pledge:** Bob Dunbar **Prayer:** Ken Darby

#### **Guests:**

Isabella Mendoza

Lily Nguyen

Eulalia Borba

Dakota Caton

Selena Little

Mariana Arella

Nadia Vargas

Zoei Quach

Susan Walb



#### **New Member Apron Ceremony:**

So terrific to be able to do a new member apron ceremony in real time. Aaron Kellums presented new member Michael Baldwin with a Kiwanis apron and pin. Michael shared what he is currently involved in and how he is looking forward to participating with the club. Be sure and watch for George Bairey's upcoming interview with Michael to learn more about him. Go say hello and sign his apron!

#### **Announcements:**

Excited to hear Ken Darby talk about the upcoming Inter-Club in Sonora, next Friday. First one in over a year, due to COVID restrictions. If you can join this fun road trip and meet with another club, please contact Ken for details.

Also, really excited to hear from Randy Cook about our first social event in what seems like a really long time... Annual Blazing Saddles Chili Cook-Off. Mark your calendar for June 26 starting at 5pm. Chefs, be sure and let Randy know you will be entering/cooking your secret recipe. This super tasty event will be held at the "Mancave".

Jeremiah Williams reminded the group that Love Modesto is coming up this Saturday, April 24th. Kiwanis has its own clean-up project to "Beautify McHenry Ave." We will meet at Graceada Park at 7:45am for a virtual Love Modesto rally and then head to select McHenry locations. There will be volunteer t-shirts, light refreshments and goodie bags. Be sure and bring some working gloves and your

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face mask. Please contact Jeremiah Williams at (209) 568-3096 if you have additional questions.

The collectable covid addition NMK 2020 Graffiti Carshow T-Shirts are still available for sale, \$40, sizes: Large, XL and 2X. The short sleeve shirts can be picked up at i2 Prints, 1408 N. Carpenter Ave, Modesto, (209) 529-8000. Get some for yourself, family and friends! The t-shirts sales serve as one of our important fundraising projects.

Also, be sure and get your NMK stylish, washable facemask. President Husman has a supply, please contact him for details.

#### **Volunteer Efforts:**

President Roberts weekly question: What has anybody done for the community?

- -Steve Perry recognizing that his daughter and classmates missed out on several things during COVID, will be hosting a Prom for Downey High School, at the Old Fisherman's Club, awesome.
- -Marty Villa volunteers at Juvenile Hall to provide Sunday Services, inspiring.
- -Randy Cook will be hosting a mini Prom at his home for 12 couples, making happy memories.

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# **Birthdays:**

-Bill Heyden, April 17, 1955

# **Wedding Anniversaries:**

-Bill Michaels April 17th

### Membership Anniversaries.

- -Gary Zimmerman, April 22nd
- -Tom Swafford April 22nd

# Speaker:

Happy Earth Day. Judy introduced our guest speaker, Vicki Rice who has been with the City of Modesto for almost 30 years. First as the Director of the Centre Plaza and for the last several years, the Recycling Program Coordinator. Judy noted that Modesto has had an Earth Day Celebration for the last 50 years. Vicki shared her thoughts of hope and promise for a better tomorrow. She reminded us that we can all make a difference, even if it is just one small change at a time and to reduce, reuse and recycle. She went through several recycling programs that the City of Modesto has available to community members and businesses.

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Modesto has free custom-made recycling trailers designed to recycle cardboard and beverage containers in the form of CRV plastic, cans and bottles. The City will deliver and pick up the trailer and/or recycling bins at a local event and take the material to be processed. The special event recycling is created to accommodate the recycling needs for festivals, concerts, sporting events, large school events, parades and much more, reducing costs for event producers and keeping recyclable materials out of our landfills! All proceeds are matched dollar for dollar by O'B Green O'Brien's Market and support the City of Modesto's "Adopt A Park Program" and the "Awesome Spot Playground".

If you change your own oil, Vicki said to finish the job by properly disposing of motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze, batteries and tires. Pour oil into a plastic container with a screw-top lid. Do not mix oil with other materials such as antifreeze, brake fluid, or gasoline. Drain the oil from the filter into the plastic container and place it into a plastic zipper bag.

Place filled containers and filters on your driveway near the garage or house, not curbside, by 6:00 AM on your pickup day. The Residential Collection Program is a free service and is available to all Modesto residents. Your used oil filter will be picked up on your scheduled appointment day by your garbage company. Call 209-577-5492 to make a collection appointment. Or Modesto residents can also recycle their used oil by dropping it off at a Certified Collection Center. Certified Collection Centers located throughout the city will pay you for \$0.40 every gallon you recycle up to four gallons per week. You can also drop off up to three Oil filters per week.

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Vicki explained why we should recycle tires. Waste tires that are stockpiled in backyards and garages provide natural breeding grounds for insects, rodents and disease carrying mosquitoes. They also create a fire hazard which results in real danger to residents and rescue workers. Don't let waste tires pile up, please dispose of them properly.

The City of Modesto applies for a Waste Tire Amnesty Grant through CalRecycle annually and if awarded, plans several events in an ongoing effort to encourage residents in Modesto to recycle their waste tires properly. With a coupon, City of Modesto residents are able to recycle up to nine (9) tires, at no cost, per each amnesty event.

The City has applied cape seals to several streets throughout the community using rubberized asphalt, a product made from recycled waste tires. Rubberized asphalt provides for long lasting road protection. They also make rubber sidewalk tiles and use the recycled tires for pour-in-place ground cover.

Vicki noted that the City of Modesto first implemented its integrated composting program in 1997. The program includes collecting and processing residential yard waste material from the green cans and pruned refuse from the street collection program. Over 50,000 tons per year of organic material is recycled. The material is combined together to make Modesto's own Mo-Gro-Pro, a clean green compost. Convenient one cubic foot bags of compost are available all year round at the Compost Facility for sale to the public. Contact the Compost Facility for hours, information and bulk pricing at 209-571-5144. She also teaches a composting class.

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There was a good question and answer discussion following the presentation. If you would like additional information you can reach Vicki at (209) 577-5495 or Vrice@modestogov.com.

Vicki brought a collection of plastic water bottles to the meeting and people had to guess how many. Michael Baldwin guessed 444 and the number was 441, great job.

#### Raffle

- -Skipper had the lucky ticket for the marble draw, but pulled a white one.
- -Jim Felt did a happy dance after winning the lunch money.

# Adjourn:

Remember: We are the people who make change in the community. President Husman adjourned the meeting at 8:16 am.

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# **Upcoming Program:**

**NMK Scholarship Awards** 



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April 29 – NMK scholarship award winners (George Bairey, Britta, Lisa, etc.) May 6 – report from board meeting

**President**: Robert Husman Vice President: Aaron Kellums 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president: Jim Graham

**Secretary:** Lori Rosman **Treasurer**: Jim Felt

#### **Board Members:**

**2019-2021** – Laura Maki, Brian Sanders, Gary Wasmund, Bob Riedel **2020-2022** – Troy Wright, Loren Suelzle, AJ Figueroa, Ana Kanbara

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