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Bulletin

May 6th, 2021 Meeting

Presiding: President Robert started the meeting at the Graffiti Car Museum at 7:05am with in-person and Zoom fed Kiwanians.

Pledge: Guest Elijah Parson

Song: Gary Goodman.

Prayer: Ken Darby

Guests:

Katalina Zambrono guest of Karen Bettencourt

Tom Hansen former member and guest of golf table

Susan Walbridge from Sonora Club.

Several key club guests as well

Announcements:

Lori Rosman Lt. Governor had a great DCM yesterday.

Ana Kanbara shared that Key Club had a DCM last night. They awarded Ken Nolte for exceptional Kiwanian of the year.

Ken shared that Vanguard was awarded several awards for service hours including some at over 170 hours!

Ana Kanbara awarded as well as Robert Kanbara for service to the key club.



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Marty Villa spoke about an opportunity for us to work on peace path for Modesto city schools for 7 schools that want peace path.

Remember that Board meetings are open to all members and Robert will circulate the invitation to Perkos, in-person, and the Zoom meeting to the whole club.

Randy Cook has all the necessary six cooks signed up for Blazing Saddles Chilli Cook Off on June 26th at 5pm. Start your appetites!

2020 Covid edition T shirts still available. Large, XL and XXL.
Kiwaniis Face Masks still available.

Passing of past Club President, Stan Stewart.

Please see the very nice obituary by his son Christopher, below and these comments from NMK members.....

Stan and I were in 4-H together. Stan and Frank Pedota came to my rescue when the older boys were picking on me at Empire School. Stan and Frank lived next door to each other (¼ mile). As Bob said we were all neighbors, (at least a 20 min walk in the country). Stan ask me to join NMK sometime in the 70's then later a neighbor ask me to join Northwest Modesto. When I saw Stan at a Kiwanis function he asked why I didn't join NMK and gave me a bad time.
Ken Darby

Stan was a special guy. I grew up down the street on East Orangeburg farming peaches. Ken Darby was nearby also at what is now the corner of Lakewood.
One of my earliest Kiwanis jobs was as Stan's assistant Cook for the Concours which was to predecessor to the Grafitti car show. After he suckered me in to that, he worked me into taking over his job as head cook for Chicken-a-gogo.



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Stan cooked breakfast at our Sunset Beach campouts. I was his helper. Do you sense a pattern here?

We had some deinstallations at our home. Stan would sing and play his guitar down by the river.

He built his own canoe for our river trips in Knights Ferry. What a beauty!

Great times, he will be missed!

Bob Riedel

I didn't know Stan until the early 70,s . We had a liquor store on Coffee Rd and Stan`s office was near, and he would come in most every day to purchase cigarettes. Pall Mall I believe (" man's cigarettes") . Later, when I joined NMK there was Stan. Like others we enjoyed campfires at the beach with Stan and his guitar and someone else`s wine. Breakfast for a Hungover King was another specialty of Stan`s.

Wayne Henry

Stan lived across the street from me and was a very welcoming neighbor. He loved to hold musical get togethers and even dragged an attempt at a song from myself who has never sung. He was a great and generous personality and loved entertaining neighbors, friends and fellow musicians at his house.

Adrian Crane



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Wright, Brian, 42 Modesto May 20 Eaton Funeral Home
Modesto May 18 Eaton Family Funeral Service

Bold listings indicate expanded obituaries

Stanley Stewart

July 10, 1939 - May 4, 2021



Vancouver, Washington - On May 4th, my dad, Stan Stewart, transitioned from this earth. He slipped away peacefully with a hospice caregiver at his side in Vancouver, WA. He was survived by his cousins Larry Wilson of Council Grove, KS and Mary Alice Carlson of Woodinville, WA and his son, Christopher Stewart of Boring, OR.

My dad was a pretty amazing man. He had travelled the world as a young man, going to India for 3 months when he was just 20 years old. There he taught other farmers about American agricultural techniques. He toured several countries in Europe and the Middle East on his way home.

Growing up, he milked cows with his dad before and after school and helped build the brick house they, and eventually I lived in, on Claus Road. That house still stands today.

He had a radio program. He was active in 4H. He was accepted to UC Davis, earning a degree in Agricultural Economics. He married my mom and farmed peaches, raised me, transitioned to selling insurance, which he did for 25 years. He always made it work.

He had passions... He loved old country music. He had a band called Southbound, which I played the drums for when I was in high school. We played at Moose halls and VFW halls. He had learned guitar and was a naturally gifted singer and entertainer. He would go on to entertain hundreds and hundreds of people over the years. His last performance was just a few years ago. There are many people from California to Anacortes, WA who will remember my dad's singing and how it touched them. It touched me.

His sense of humor was one of his best attributes.

His laugh, his jabs, his little comments. He had a fantastic sense of humor and times of laughing with him were some of the best moments I've had, ever.

One could argue my dad's greatest passion was helping people. In Modesto, he gave countless hours to North Modesto Kiwanis club. He also gave his time to the Special Olympics and provided support for the Salvation Army during a crisis in Modesto. He was generous with his time and his money. He put a friend through college. He helped kids who were wanting to experience some of the traveling he had done when he was young. His heart was really about helping people.

There are more stories of his generosity and kindness than I could share. But he left me with a blueprint, and some big shoes to fill.

I don't know how I could sum up his life in a few paragraphs. How can anyone do that, for a dad who left such an indelible fingerprint on my life? It's impossible. But I will say, I loved him very much. I will miss him every day. But I hope to carry his greatness with me forever.

I suspect we've all had a moment with Stan that we can carry forever. That's a life well lived. Rest In Peace, dad.

Share Your Condolences,

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Election

No election reading this week.

Interclubs

Ken Darby announced inter club to Modesto Kiwanis on Tuesday May 25th at the Post restaurant out by Gregori High.

Volunteer Efforts:

President Roberts weekly question: What has anybody done for the community?
No responses this week.

Birthdays:

Bill Heyden birthday
Tim Ragsdale birthday

Membership anniversaries.

None

Wedding Anniversaries:

Mark Dunker anniversary number 58! Lake Tahoe for a nice retreat
Bob Riedel anniversary with Eileen 42 years rolling celebration on the central coast.
Loren paid \$40 for upcoming anniversary.

Happy/Sad Bucks:

Program:

Steve Collins introduced Dave and Sharon Probst speaking about restrictive housing covenants in Modesto. A database is being developed to be able to search for and learn these various code restrictions. Most of the code restrictions were of racial tones.



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Additional effects of discrimination and poverty between white and non-white areas such as sidewalks, landscaping, road conditions, drainage, tree cover. Some of these further gave rise to climatic issues such as hotter temperatures or flooding in those neighborhoods.

Lots of information and context around these CCR's provided for us to consider.

Racial restrictive covenants were deemed illegal by the Fair Housing Act of 1968. Thurgood Marshall Supreme Court was instrumental in a Supreme Court ruling as well.

Raffle

Anything else for the good of the order?

Adjourn:

Remember: We are the people who make change in the community.

President Husman adjourned the meeting at 7:53 am.

Upcoming Programs:

Frank Plouff who will talk about a solution to homelessness.

President: Robert Husman

Vice President: Aaron Kellums

2nd 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