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## NORTH MODESTO

### Bulletin from July 22, 2021 Meeting

**President Robert Husman presiding**

**Song:** Gary Goodman

**Pledge:** Kevin Scott

**Prayer:** Tim Ragsdale

**Guests:** Brent introduced Susan, a friend he has known since 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Adrian Crane introduced Lori's granddaughter Lily (the softball player). Also, at least two Key Club members joined us via Zoom.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lori Rosman** – recent DCM at the graffiti museum. The pot from the raffle, about \$175, was contributed to the museum as a thank you for providing the venue.

**Roger Suelzle** – The Chicken A Go Go trailer has been sold. There are some items available for sale. Contact Roger if interested.

**American Graffiti 2021**—Brent reported that \$6,500 in sponsorship money just came in. Now the push is for volunteers to help at the parade. The folks at VisitModesto are helping but lots of people are needed. All hands on deck.

#### INTERCLUBS

Ken Darby reminded folks of the July 30 trip to Fresno. Leaving the graffiti museum at 9 a.m. Some beer tasting is planned after the meeting

Next up: Atwater on Aug. 10

#### SOCIALS

Randy Cook announced two upcoming events, both at his Man Cave:

- Aug. 18 starting at 5 pm, the stuffing party for American Graffiti packets. Bring an appetizer and beverage.
- Sept. 17 at 6 p.m., the kickout (deinstallation) party for Robert Husman, with Aaron Kellums moving into the president's slot. More information coming on this.



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**BIRTHDAYS:** Marty Villa on July 17, 1946

Jeremy Goodspeed

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Mr. and Mrs. Jason Conway

### **HAPPY/SAD BUCKS**

Gary Goodman had a wonderful time surf fishing and with family.

Phil Fugit is selling old Graffiti shirts.

Bob Dunbar is happy that their daughter and her family made it safely home from a trip to Mexico.

Brian Sanders and family enjoyed a visit to Disneyland and it didn't cost as much as it might have. We'll leave it at that. 😊

### **PROGRAM**

**Steve Collins announced the first in a series called Name, Rank and Serial Number, featuring members sharing their experiences in military. Today we heard from Mike Boyd and Tim Ragsdale.**

Mike served 11 years total and two years active with the U.S. Air Force right out of dental school. He spent a year and a half of the active duty time at Andrews Air Force Base and had several notable patients, including one who needed major work just minutes before a visit to the White House.

Mike said he "learned a lot and was a better dentist because of the experience." He considered reupping for more time but was discouraged by the politics he saw in the military.

Tim served in the U.S. Navy as a Lt. JG and acknowledged he joined the Navy to avoid the draft. He shared his experiences from serving as the head of a swift boat crew in Vietnam. The first time his boat was called to respond to aid comrades under fire, he said he felt an intense "what the hell am I doing here" fear, followed by simply kicking in and doing what had to be done. That fear never returned in the 17 other times his boat was under fire.



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One member of his crew was wounded but none were lost in the fighting. Another swift boat was lost, with five of its seven crew members killed.

In the early years after leaving the Navy, Tim and his Navy friends held some reunions but they did not find them productive and stopped. Tim said, "It was a tremendous honor to serve in that capacity."

**MARBLE DRAW** – oops. I forgot to write it down

**LUNCH MONEY** – Tim Ragsdale

### **Upcoming Programs**

**July 29** -- Santanu Bandyopadhyay, MJC's new president, talks about his interesting start in that job and his thoughts on the future of the college.

**Aug. 5** – report from board meeting and the second episode of Name, Rank & Serial Number – Phil Fugit

**Aug. 12 – The Juline Foundation** - Barbara Pushies, executive director.

**Aug. 19 – car show prep**—Brent and others

### **2020-2021 Board**

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