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BULLETIN

August 5, 2021 — NMK Meeting

Presiding: Standing In for President Robert was 1st Vice President Aaron Kellums, who started the meeting at 7:03AM.

President Robert has self-quarantined because both his wife and his son tested positive for COVID. Robert we hope and pray you stay well and that your family recovers soon.

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Dirk Paintedman

Prayer: Phil Fugit

1st VP Aaron invited us all to join him in a moment of silence for Tom Wright who passed away this week. Tom had Ben a long time member of NMK. Our hearts and prayers go out to his wife Catherine and his son, Troy Wright, an active member of NMK and the entire family.

Guests:

- **Guests On Zoom:** None were present &/or introduced.
- **Guests In Person:**
 - **Susan Powers**, a nurse with Memorial Hospital, was a third time guest of Brent Burnside and she has downloaded an application from our NMK website and is considering becoming a member.
 - **Sgt. Nicklaus Flores** was the guest of Ray Sanders. He gave us a brief history of how he got into the marines from a small town in South Carolina then to Quantico, VA and eventually here in Modesto as a Marine Recruiter. Sgt. Flores is also enlisting himself and several of his comrades into “active duty” posted at intersections in our Graffiti parade he will also bring along specially outfitted HUMMER. (Can’t wait to see that!)

Announcements:

Lori Rosman announced that NMK Dues are Due! All members should have received an email on or around July 8th from her with a personalized billing statement bill is attached.



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Also attached to that email is an as-up-to-date-as-possible NMK roster. If you see any mistakes in your listing please respond to the email with the needed corrections.

Pin Check: 1st VP Aaron snuck in a pin check catching many of guard and collected a significant amount of revenue for the finepot—just because he could.

Interclub: Ken Darby announced 2 inter clubs in the works but first he apologized to Pete Vella who showed up for the recent Fresno Interclub ... but they had already left. Sorry Pete!

Coming up:

- Modesto Kiwanis — Tuesday Noon, August 10 at *Papapavlov's Mediterranean Bistro*
- Castle-Atwater—Thursday August 26. (Time Date & Place to be announced)

NMK Socials:

1st VP Aaron announced 2 social events on behalf of our social committee chair, Randy Cook:

- **August 18: Graffiti Stuffing Party 5:00PM at Randy & Denise Cooks man cave, of course. Bring snacks and finger food or entire main courses for a great time with friends as you stuff Car Show Registration Packets.**
- **September 17: Deinstallation aka President Robert's Kick-out Party. It's about time! It will be held at Randy & Denise Cook's PeopleCave. Oh, yeah,...it's also an install party for our 1st VP and all other in-coming officers.**

NMK Board Meeting:

Report on Yesterday's NMK Foundation Board Mtg.

Our August 4th NMK board meeting was most efficiently led by our incoming President Elect, 1st VP Aaron Kellums — his first meeting at the helm & great practice for his soon

Four more checks have been sent out from 4 scholarship recipients including one who is a granddaughter of Randy Cook. That would be Julia Hernandez who will be attending Fresno Pacific. The other 3 were: Ben Caulkins — Webb Institute; Jacob Berlin — Northern Arizona State and Mariana Arellano — University of the Pacific.

The board also approved a donation of \$2000 for Boys and Girls Club.



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NMK General Board Mtg.

Graffiti Parade:

Brent Burnside reported that the Graffiti Parade registration is now closed having reached the maximum allowed limit of 800 cars registered. All registrants after this will not be participating in the parade. We realize this will make some unhappy, but the City of Modesto, MPD, Car Owners in the parade and of course all of us NMK members working the parade will be much happier if it accomplishes it's intended result—less congestion and a parade that actually moves.

Next 2 meetings for Graffiti Car Show prep and planning are on the next two Wednesdays, August 11 & 18 at Perko's Café on Oakdale and Sylvan.

The following note is a reprint from last week's bulletin but worth repeating:

A critical need!!! More volunteers to work shifts at the Graffiti Parade on Friday, August 20th! All Hands on Deck, please!

Ray Sanders let us know how critical the need is this year for volunteers to man shifts at all intersections on the parade route. Due to COVID-19 many of the organizations that have volunteered in the past have not been meeting during the pandemic so they are unable to rally their troops for our event. Therefore...Ray, who has been responsible for Graffiti Parade and Car Show manpower for many years, is asking each and every NMK member to recruit spouses, children, grandchildren, in-laws and outlaws, friends and enemies to assist NMK by taking a 3 hour shift at the parade.

Please call and/or email Ray to let him know which 3 hour shifts you can work.

His cell phone is (209) 604-7841 and his email is rskray@sbcglobal.net

Those shifts are: 3 to 6PM & 6 to 9PM on Friday

Volunteer Efforts:

What has anyone done to help the community:

Charlie and Trish Christiansen held a successful national Night Out Event in their neighbors.



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Happy bucks.

Birthdays:

- **GARY VUKICH** — one of NMK's charter members, but not sure of his age.

Wedding Anniversaries:

- **Doug Trip** — who was not present to tell us about it
- **Bob Dunbar** — Who **was** present and let us know that he has been married 3 times in 3 different states for a total of 59 years, all to the same woman (that would be Sharon) and never divorced. **So the story goes...** **Bob** and Sharon first eloped in one state across the border from their home state. That's one. Then when they got home they bowed to their families' objections, found a minister to marry them in a church with family in attendance. That's two. But the third happened 9 years ago in California with their children, extended family and friends, including quite a few North Modesto Kiwanians in attendance, all helping them celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations, Bob & Sharon! Thank you for a good story and a generous donation to the fine pot.

Membership anniversaries.

- George Bairey had a similar story having been a North Modesto Kiwanis member two times for many years and all with the same Kiwanis Club and a hiatus in between. I'm not sure how many years, but I believe he put a \$50 in the fine pot.
- Rich Humble was also recognized for his years of service. I didn't hear the number but he did put a \$20 in the pot.

Program: Due to the board report and American Graffiti Car Show & Parade planning taking most . But we did hear from another one of our own veterans **1st Lt Phil Fugit** who started his military career in 1965, three months after marrying Nancy. He was sent off with a party of thousands (of protestors) from Berkeley to Fort Ord where he had an allergic reaction to drill sergeants and so, when given the chance, chose OCS and went went to Ft. Sill as a 2nd Lt and trained in Artillery. From there he he was deployed to Germany with the 3rd Armor Division successfully defending that country from enemy invasions. But his tour was not without



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incident. His company was called to standby during Russia's invasion of Czechoslovakia and later the Six Day War between Israel and Egypt. Phil, we are most grateful for your commitment to serve our country and now our community here in Modesto.

DRAWING RESULTS

Marble: Loren Suelzle drew the red marble and the table stakes.

Lunch \$: Gary Goodman

Anything else for the good of the order?

Adjourn:

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

Vice President Aaron adjourned the meeting at 8:03ish.

Upcoming Programs:

Not sure, but I know there are some good ones in the works.

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President: Robert Husman

Vice President: Aaron Kellums

1st Vice president: Jennifer Mullen

2nd Vice president: Ana Kanbara

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