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BULLETIN FOR

May 18, 2023

NEXT WEEK

Michael Baldwin will tell us about Homeboy Industries

President Jennifer Mullen presiding.

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Doug Hardy

Prayer: Cory Warner

Guests:

Mary Ann Sander

Peggy Ragsdale

Robert Kanbara

Salina Little

Announcements:

Marty Villa-There was no workday at the Christian Beret site last weekend.

Laura Maki-Sign up to help with the beer booth at the festival laurie2002002@yahoo.com

Ana Kanbara-The Key Club has a connection to NMK that no other Key Clubs have with their sponsoring clubs. During the banquet on Tuesday the following NMK members were recognized as outstanding Key Club advisors: Ana Kanbara, Robert Husman, Ken Nolte, Lori Rosman and Ana's non-member husband Robert Kanbara. You have all made us proud. Thank You!

Salina Little is the newly appointed Outreach coordinator for Key Club. Congratulations Salina.



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Happy Bucks:

Lori Rosman returned from 9 days in the Caribbean. She volunteered \$20 to avoid a penalty for “taunting” last week by zooming in from the cruise ship at sea. She denied speculation she was wearing a bikini while zooming in. 😊

Council Member Jeremiah Williams shared information that Michael Baldwin’s mother was in ICU after having medical problems. His wife Nancy had to put down her 14-year-old dog due to injuries sustained. The dog will be greatly missed. Lastly Jeremiah was thankful for the positive and constructive relationship between the City and NMK.

American Graffiti Festival:

Charlie Christensen and Brent Burnside said all systems are go for June 9-10-11. Volunteers are needed.

Parade route barricades will be placed by the city. Barricades are not to be moved except to allow mechanically troubled cars to exit the parade. Do not move the barricades at the end of the night. The city will determine when to remove the barricades. If you have any questions about what “do not move the barricades” means, please ask Charlie Christensen.

BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARYS:

Richard Humble had a birthday on May 13.

Nan Jacobs is celebrating 50 years of marriage with a trip to Cabo San Lucas. She and her husband will be having dinner at a favorite restaurant overlooking the ocean. She and her husband met while sophomores in college when this good-looking guy approached her and asked, “haven’t we met before”. The old standard pick up line worked. Nan attributes her happy marriage to lots of humor. So, what do you call a three lagged cow? Tri-Tip.



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HOWARD PREP

Creating Purpose through Community Integration



Carla Strong, Executive Director, explained how California Senate Bill 639 may require this critical support for individuals with disabilities to close. The premise of Senate Bill 639, which by 2025 will phase out so-called sheltered workshops.

It's a worthwhile aim in theory. But it's a lot more complicated in practice.

That was evident in a visit to Howard Prep, Modesto's premier nonprofit employer of the disabled for more than 60 years, formerly known as the Howard Training Center. Its kitchen and warehouse hum with happy, busy, productive workers making subminimum wages.

Bustling between huge sinks and drying racks was DJ Yarbrough. He started 18 years ago, when California's minimum wage was \$6.75 an hour, and he was paid \$2. No one — not his parents, not his employer, not even DJ — considered that disrespectful. Everyone saw him walk a little taller. He had gained purpose, friends, and a paycheck.



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DJ, 40, has Fragile x Syndrome, which causes intellectual disability. He is kind and has a great memory, while he's not good with stress, public transportation, or money. He would rather have five \$1 bills than two \$20 bills, for example.

The 4,000-square-foot commercial kitchen at Howard Prep provides a sense of self-worth more than income. The sheltered workshop is a big, big part of DJ's life.

"It's the same for him if he makes \$1 an hour or \$7.50 an hour," said his father, David. "He doesn't care. He doesn't need to bring home any money. He needs to be happy."

Interclub: Ken Darby

Merced June 21

Social: Randy Cook

June 7	Graffiti Stuffing Party
June 9	Graffiti Parade
June 10-11	Graffiti Festival & Car Show
July 4	4th of July Parade
July 22	John Sanders Twain Harte Craft Show
September 8	De-Installation & Dinner
October 28	Wine Day - Lodi
December 2	Breakfast with Santa
December 4	Book Sorting
December 6	Toy Wrapping and Social
December 9	Christmas Basket Distribution
December 21	Club Christmas Meeting

MARBLE DRAW: Nan Jacobs winner, winner may pay for cocktails in Cabo.

LUNCH MONEY: Lori Rosman, Caribbean subsidy.



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