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Bulletin from July 13th, 2023

President Jennifer Mullen presiding. Bell rung at 7:07AM.

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Doug Tripp

Prayer: Ken Darby

GUESTS:

Key clubber Selena Little..... (But see below!).

New members Nicole Boyarsky and Jewell Key

On Zoom:

Steve Collins, Mark Dunker, Gary Zimmerman, Jeremiah Williams.

Hat check! Are hats permitted during the meeting? Ball caps? Fedoras only? Bob Dunbar removed his fedora, The council of the wise was convened and came up with their decision - 'put the fedora back on.'

Charlie Christensen gave a quick explanation of the council of the wise; ex presidents may be asked to make an instant decision regarding club etiquette and fines.

Announcements

The Celebration of Life for Judy Boudreaux was held last Tuesday at the American Graffiti Car Museum. Allan Ramsay was master of ceremonies. It was nice to see so many Kiwanians.

Charlie Christensen confirmed that the car show raised 150k or so, for use in our future good works.



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Robert Husman, Lieutenant Governor, made a momentous announcement that he has a candidate for next Lieutenant Governor...Our own Charlie Christensen's has accepted the position of Lieutenant Governor elect.

At our August 3rd meeting, American Graffiti shirts. All kinds of fun and prizes. Wear you car show shirts and T shirts and we will have fun photos and prizes.

We need a new program chair. Steve Collins is stepping down after many, many years as program chair. We can also have any program ideas from members. Big thanks to Steve Collins for his work.

Send a postcard if you are travelling in July or August and you can save a fine! POB 473, Modesto, CA, 95353

Board meeting

The board meeting, usually held on the first Wednesday of the month was bumped due to the 4th of July.

A donation was made to Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Center \$1500

\$300 was allocated for Bob Dunbar's project to get the historical record correct for all the Grand Marshalls of the parade.

Rich Reimche announced that the Center for Human services has an event at Venue 833. Sept 28th. Email rich for details.

Chana is working on getting Modesto High Key club up again. Ken Nolte and Chana are working on other high schools too. Will need advisors. Anna Kanbara and Robert Husman then attempted to encourage volunteers by saying 'it's not bad, they are not all like Salina'. This prompted another council of the wise decision and a fine.



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Two new members were accepted, Jewel Key and Nicole Boyarsky. Great job by our new member coordinator Laura Maki.

INTERCLUBS: Ken Darby

No interclub visits in July but Ken is arranging an out-of-district visit to the Lodi club on Thursday August 24th. It is a large club with 65 members, which will be an interesting change from the smaller clubs we usually visit in our district.

August, date to be confirmed, Greater Merced.

Wednesday Sept 20th Merced club.

Oakdale visit is still up in the air. Maybe in September, their club is 'dark' for the summer.

SOCIALS: Randy Cook

Saturday July 22nd. Twain Harte. Barbecue at Sanders cabin. 4pm barbecue time. The Twain Harte Arts and Crafts fair or 9 hole golfing can be combined with the social to make a great day in the foothills. Barbecue of hamburgers or hotdogs.

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* August 17th, **our breakfast meeting will be at MJC West Great Valley Museum.** *

Friday September 8th De-Installation Dinner at the Man Cave.

The slate for the rest of the year is....

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

HAPPY/SAD BUCKS:



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Anna Happy for Ken Nolte her sponsor

Aaron, Sad 10, friend involved in a. Murder suicide.

Charlie, sad 10 for same incident. Also two uncles of Charlie's uncles died this year, Incle don and Uncle Jim.

Lori, sad for Brita.

Pat, parked in a friends driveway and her friends husband drove into her car.

Pete Vella, Happy for a great week in the Caribbean with family.

John sanders, for Allan and Pat Ramsay for helping the Boudreaux family through a tough time.

Gary Goodman, Happy and Sad for Allan as well.

Bob Dunbar, \$5 match for John Sanders fine.

Nan, sad for a former colleague who passed away. Happy for taking a 14 year old to NY and Broadway. Got stuck in east coast weather disaster. Travel disruptions. But worth it for Broadway, Empire State Building and tourist stuff.

Adrian Crane, Happy \$ for the French student he is hosting.

Bob Reidel, Happy \$ that Adrian has put an interior in his new car.

BIRTHDAYS:

Kyle Barker, 7th but absent.

Murray breeze, today, but absent so he missed out on a song.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Bob Gowan's 9th anniversary.

Ray sanders 12th anniversary.

Mike Boyd Newly wed.

Ken Darby added that he has an anniversary too; today! His 38th anniversary, Married in 1985. They are going to have lunch to celebrate. Ken was given her phone number by a friend , 4



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years later married they married. Another council of the wise decision was sought to decide a fine for Jennifer, for forgetting to read it from her notes.

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

None

PROGRAM:

Although the board meeting was yesterday, held over from the 4th of July week, and we had a Board report, we still had a program today.

Judy Herrera introduced Mina Anwar, from the International Rescue Committee.

Mina's father and mother got into the US and made a home.

She often asks what if's... if her mother had not escaped the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, if her father had not escaped.

She recently called a cousin in Afghanistan and asked what it is like there. No freedoms, cannot choose religion, cannot choose clothing, cannot get education.

Nina was a correctional counselor for 10 years, now she works with refugees from many countries. She is the Program coordinator for Co sponsorship /Mentorship.

IRC, international rescue committee, was established by Albert Einstein in 1933.

Her work is with the most absolutely broken people who have been through so much to get here and be dropped into a country where they know nothing and have no contacts. One lady who was in transit in Turkey for 5 years arrived here and Mina was able to help her and she quickly saw a turnaround as her manner went from despair to happiness and she found work and has made a home here.

One of the big needs is to help these families with issues. Some of these issues such as drug use are things the families know nothing of and need education. Kids need help getting ready for school and vaccinations for example. Learning how to drive and get permits.

Her clients are currently from Afghanistan, Syria and Ukraine. They have to go through the embassy system where they get clearance on several fronts and finally get into the list for population settlement program. There are 9 resettlement agencies nationally but in this area we only have IRC and World Relief.



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Mina showed many picture of families that Mina and her volunteers have helped.

At IRC (International Rescue Committee), our mission is to help people whose lives and livelihood are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover, and regain control of their future. There are thousands and thousands of children facing violence and trauma and our goal is to help them in their resettlement process the best we possibly could. However, I am in need of financial assistance to continue the efforts and make a lasting impact in the refugee children's lives.

Your generous donation would help us in several ways with immediate needs, including:

1. Funding educational purposes such as the youth drug prevention program I am developing.
2. School Supplies: backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils, erasers, calculators, English language learning materials.
3. Baby and child essentials: Car seats, diapers, wipes, baby food, baby formula, baby clothing, blankets, toys, books for children.
4. Household items: Beds, mattresses, tables, chairs, kitchen appliances, cleaning supplies, beddings, etc.
5. Clothing and personal items: New or gently used clothing for children (including winter coats, hats, gloves and scarves), undergarments and socks (new), shoes, hygiene products, pillows, sheets, towels.
6. Food.
7. Water bottles.
8. Medical and First Aid Supplies: over the counter medication (pain relievers, cold medicine, etc.), bandages and dressings, thermometers, first aid kits.
9. Technology and Communication: Cell phone and chargers, laptops, or tablets (for educational purposes), prepaid phone sim cards.
10. Bikes.

To volunteer to help new immigrant refugees, contact Mina at 'Mina.Anwar@rescue.org'

To donate <https://irc.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=592>



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Reminders

MARBLE DRAW: Ticket drawn by Bob Riedel. Unluckily, Ken Nolte drew a white marble.

LUNCH MONEY: This ticket was drawn by John Erro. Robert Husman got the lunch money.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:06AM

NMK OFFICERS			
President	Jennifer Mullen	2021-23 Board	Pete Vella, Jeremiah Williams, Charlie Christensen, Randy Cook
1st Vice President	Ana Kanbara		
2nd Vice President	Laura Maki	2022-24 Board	Michael Baldwin, Channa Kang, George Bairey, Dirk Paintedman
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Secretary	Lori Rosman		
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