

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



March 12, 2020 – A big turnout is expected for Saturday night's chili cook-off social. The corona virus is starting to affect members' travel plans. And we heard from a Modestan who has a first-hand experiencing working with and reaching out to people experiencing homelessness in our community.

President Robert Husman presiding

Song: Gary Wasmund

Pledge: Lisa Lodi

Prayer: Marty Villa

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A meeting was planned this evening (Thursday) about the possibility of turning Muni Golf Course into a multi-use park. One of the plans would be to fence it, which would be ideal for our car show. Robert invited members to attend.

Robert said Special Olympics is on the fence as to whether to cancel or postpone their event because of the corona virus. Love Modesto announced this afternoon that its event would be postponed until fall.

Zasu Pitts benefit concert for CASA is scheduled March 27. Tickets are \$40. Roger has a dozen; others are available for purchase.

Adrian Crane is working on the new club website. It may be inaccessible at times.

Randy Cook on socials: Next up is the Blazing Saddles chili cook-off this Saturday. There are 7 chefs signed up and almost 80 guests. If you aren't making chili, please bring an appetizer, cornbread or a dessert.

Chicken A Gone Gone is set for May 9. It will a chicken barbecue for members and guests.

INTERCLUBS

Ken Darby: We had a successful InterClub with Greater Turlock. Next up is the other Turlock Club March 21 at 8:30 a.m. at the Crust & Crumb on Main Street. Greater Turlock is threatening/promising to bring 20 people to our meeting on March 26.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

Birthdays: Doug V and Troy Wright

Wedding anniversaries: Phil Fugit rolled out of bed early on his anniversary to go to the Greater Turlock InterClub. But later he and Nancy celebrated their 55th by seeing Abba at the Gallo Center. Another anniversary, Sabine and Mickey Saso.

Service anniversary: Larry Robinson, Troy Wright and Gary Wasmund

HAPPY & SAD BUCKS

Lisa praised Jennifer Mullen for giving the royal treatment for the classic car owners who showed their vehicles at the Ag Safe gathering.

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Bob Dunbar is sad that the family trip was canceled due to the corona virus.

Bob Riedel had an enjoyable ski trip to the Southland. He also reported hat Jim Long had heart valve replacement surgery this morning.

Marty Villa was happy to be at this morning's meeting but sad that he wasn't heading to Spain. And he has re-retired again.

Ana Arellanes was looking forward to Disneyland but instead will have a family visit in San Diego. Also, she is working with reps from other agencies and Kiwanis on starting a Kiwanis Action Club.

John Sanders announced that John and Carolyn Erro welcomed their baby boy yesterday.

PROGRAM

Frank Ploof shared his conclusions about the reasons that so many people are homeless in our community and addressed some of the myths. He said the primary reason is the economy and that so many people do not have good-paying jobs. He also said that government has a key role in solving the problem, in a cooperative effort with others. Finally, he said that there are insufficient services to help so many. Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals are in particularly short supply. Frank said Stanislaus County is short about 15,000 affordable living units.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

3rd Wednesday of every month – Graffiti Planning meeting, 7 a.m. Perko's at Sylvan & Oakdale. all welcome.

March 14 – Chili cook-off at the Man Cave. Festivities begin at 5 p.m.

April 16 – Scholarship presentation meeting

April 30 – Weekly meeting will be at the Great Valley Museum. Details TBA

May 9 – Chicken A Gone Gone celebration.

June 12-14 – American Graffiti weekend

Oct. 3 – The new date for Love Modesto.

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Current Board				
President	Robert Husman		2017-2019	Randy Cook, Tim Ragsdale
1st Vice President	Britta Skavdahl			George Bairey, Bill Heyden
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Past president	Adrian Crane		2018-2020	Bob Riedel, Gary Wasmund
Secretary	Lori Rosman			Brian Sanders, Laura Maki
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Event Committee Chairs				
NMK Field Games	Jim Felt		CASA Golf Tourney	Jim Toal
Chicken A Go Go	Charlie Christensen		Breakfast with Santa	Jennifer Mullen
Christmas Baskets	Marty Villa		Graffiti Festival	Brent Burnside
Committee Chairs				
Community Services	Richard Reimche		Member retention	
Young Children Priority	Jeremiah Williams		Social Committee	Randy Cook
Youth Services	Sabine Saso		Programs	Steve Collins, Judy Herrero
Sponsored Youth	Brent (E), Ken Nolte (V)		New Member Bios	George Bairey
	Bill M (Central),		Soccer Club Liaison	George Bairey
	Odette & Marty (Davis)		Web Master	Trish Christensen
Spiritual Aims	Marty Villa		New Member Orienta-	Roger Suelze, Steve Collins
Scholarships	Bill Ryan		Fiscal Oversight	Jim Graham
			Sunshine/cards	Judy Herrero
Membership Growth	Robert Husman		InterClubs	Ken Darby
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