

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



March 14 – Our program today: Kids Safe Stanislaus offers many programs to try to keep children safe from injury, ranging from proper installation of car seats to encouraging young athletes to stay hydrated. One interesting stat: three out of four car seats are not installed correctly.

OPENING

President Adrian Crane

Song: Kyle Barker

Pledge: Pete Vella

Prayer: Phil Fugit

GUESTS

No totally new faces but several we haven't seen recently: Sammy and T and Bob Dunbar, who's back with a neck brace after surgery at Stanford. Bob went from golfing to unable to walk in a mere seven weeks. He doesn't recommend two surgeries in the same year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Randy Cook: The Blazing Saddles Chili Cook off starts at 5 p.m. this Saturday at Randy & Denise's place, 5719 Chenault Dr., Modesto. If you're not making chili, then plan to bring an appetizer, cornbread or dessert and a beverage of choice. The Man Cave is in back of the house, reachable through the side yard to the right as you face the house.

Adrian: Our club is hosting DCM next tonight at 6 p.m. at One Church (the former Bethel Church) on Scenic Drive. Lori is making the food. Adrian hopes for a good turnout from our club.

Larry Hughes shared kind words from a car show registrant from Mariposa. We get a number of such compliments.

Bob Harper (via note, not verbal announcement): some may remember old-time member Stan Stewart. He can be reached at 360-202-1050. Give him a call and say hi.

Also from Adrian: Rec Fest is this Saturday at Legion Park and along the Tuolumne River, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A good place for kids (and others) who need fresh air and exercise.

<https://www.tuolumne.org/events/recfest/>

BIRTHDAYS

Roger Suelzle's birthday is today and you know what that means. Yes, it was bad. He's celebrating #72 with NMK, work and then a DCM meeting. What a way to party!

Doug Van Den Enden celebrated #68 with a lowkey dinner out.

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Troy Wright had a birthday on March 12 but wasn't with us this morning to tell us about it.

ANNIVERSARIES

Wedding:

Service: Gary Wasmund, about 30 years total.

APRONS

Jason Beach and **Cathy Line** were wearing their aprons today. Sign now or pay later!

HAPPY/SAD BUCKS

Roger Suelzle is happy to have attended the ZaSu Pitts concert benefiting the fire victims in Paradise, organized by our own Steve Ashman. It raised \$30,000 for three families that did not have insurance.

Ken Nolte also enjoyed that concert.

Doug thanked Gary W for bringing him into the club.

T (Trieste) Jakubicek is happy that Sammy has been in the U.S. for 40 years this week.

Jeff Goudy is thankful for the many Kiwanians who attended last Saturday's Christian Berets' breakfast.

Larry Hughes is happy **Charlie Christensen** made it back from Las Vegas. Charlie also is happy to be back. He flew home on a 737, but not the model causing such worry.

Brian Sanders wished everyone Happy Pi Day.

Phil Fugit said people commented on is anniversary. He was in Texas for the occasion and Nancy was home in Modesto.

Steve Collins apologized for having the right number for the marble draw last week but noted that he has NEVER pulled the red marble from the bag. He also provided a \$100 check to make up for all the fines he missed during his 8-month absence. And he advised against returning to lead an organization at age 79 when the organization has all sorts of programmatic changes under way and a major labor dispute going on.

PROGRAM

Rena Lepard, a trauma nurse and head of Safe Kids Stanislaus, gave an interesting and fast-paced program on the numbers and types of unintentional ways in which children are injured and killed

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nationally and locally. Rena works for Doctors Medical Center, which launched the local coalition of the worldwide group in 2012. It now has a major partner with the Stanislaus Police Activities League and deputy Bret Silveira from PAL also attended this morning.

In Stanislaus County, 45 percent of the deaths of children 0 to 19 are from motor vehicle collision. Suffocation is the next highest cause, 16 percent and drowning 10 percent.

Safe Kids Stanislaus is supported by police and fire agencies, hospitals and many other groups. They sponsor water safety and pedestrian and bike safety programs, as well as trying to reach young athletes. But the largest emphasis is on correct installation and use of car seats.

Another somewhat surprising problem: young children who eat laundry detergent pods because they look like candy. Parents are advised to keep them out of reach.

Rena said even she was taken aback by how complicated it is to learn proper installation of car seats, especially because there are so many brands and they are constantly changing.

MARBLE & LUNCH MONEY

Phil Fugit had the right ticket. He claimed table stakes and pulled the red marble but turned the latter money back to the pot.

Charlie Christensen won the lunch money.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 21 -- puppeteer Randi Linee with an update on the Kids Works project m

March 28 – to be determined.

April 4 – report from April board meeting

April 11 – Scholarship presentations

April 18 -- Friends of Modesto Library Imagination Library – Sue Rich and Cathie Peck

April 25 -- TBD

May 2 – Rick Hudson and the history of the Faros.

Upcoming Events

March 14	Modesto hosts Division Council Meeting, 6 p.m. at One Church
March 16	Chili cook off at the Man Cave, 5 p.m. 5719 Chenault Drive
March 20	Next American Graffiti Planning meeting, 7 a.m. at Perko's at Oakdale & Sylvan

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April 26 **NMK Field Games – contact is Jim Felt**
May 5 **Chicken A Go Go barbecue**
June 7-9 **American Graffiti weekend**
Aug. 22 **Kiwanis night at the Modesto Nuts**

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NMK Field Games	Jim Felt		CASA Golf Tournament	Jim Toal
Chicken A Go Go	Charlie Christensen		Breakfast with Santa	Jennifer Mullen
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