

Kiwanis Club of North Modesto



May 9 – Our NMK Sponsored Key Club from Vanguard College Prep Academy took all the honors at a recent District 46 North Awards Banquet including: Outstanding Club, Most Spirited, Most Service Hours (one young lady had more than 250 of those hours) & more. NMK's Ken Nolte was presented with a plaque honoring him as the Distinguished Key Club Advisor of the Year for District 46N. Ken's humble comment, "It's easy to sponsor a group of students as motivated and talented as these Vanguard Students."

President Adrian Crane presided over a full house again this week. (I know this because I was late and couldn't find a seat or coffee cup.)

Song: Gary Goodman
Pledge: Wayne Henry
Prayer: Jeremiah Williams

GUEST/INTERCLUBS

Some long time members and former members were presented as guest: Wayne Henry, Mike Marshal & Gary Vukich, Gary was honored as one of the NMK charter members along with Steve Collins, 1966

Ken Darby reported having two inter clubs this week Greater Modesto & Castle-Atwater both had a full contingent of NMK's.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Charlie "The Chicken" Christensen reported on our Chicken A Go Go. His memorable and inspirational quote: "It went well." The Key club was out in force packing col slaw and beans. And this year we finished earlier than ever with the BBQ torn down and hauled off by 2:00PM. We also had only about 50 chickens left over (or 100, depending on how you split the chicken). All unsold chicken meals were picked up and taken to Modesto Gospel Mission by a crew of men from the MGM, one of our long term beneficiaries of our fundraising efforts.. That crew also worked hard to help us clean up and pack up the trailers.

Loren Suelzle added that now is the time to get your Chicken AgoGo money we all collected for tickets sold or given away soon as possible.

American Graffiti: reminder from Brent Burnside: The next planning meeting is Weds. May 15, 7:00 at Perko's on Oakdale Road

Ray Sanders started the signups to gain service hours and raise lots of money for local non-profits. This week for the American Graffiti Parade with shifts 3:00 to 6:00 and 6:00 to 9:00. Please contact Ray to let him know when you are available. He is also looking to fill all slots for ticket takers/sellers on Saturday & Sunday. This year he is also planning on having at least one person at each gate that can process credit cards. This would require a smart phone and cellular data plan.

Please invite family and friends to join us by volunteering for part of the weekend festivities.

<https://americangraffiti festival.com/nmk/>

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DCM coming up June 1.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

Birthdays : Tim Ragsdale - 5/5/43 (age to be announced)

One Anniversary: Judy & Mike Herrero celebrated on 5/7 (number of years tba)

Two service anniversaries: Gary Goodman, 33 years; Kerry Horner, 44 years!.

Loren Suelzle gave us an update on Jim Toal's wife Sharon who is in Cedar Sinai Hospital in Los Angeles with significant health concerns. We send our prayers and thoughts.

HAPPY BUCKS:

Gary Goodman fed us a fish story. He claimed that after being skunked from catching a legal striper since his childhood he finally caught a big one—28 inches I believe he said—with credit given to Pete Vella who invited him out in his boat to see if they could break that 63 year streak.

Phil Fugit contributed \$20 for regrets at missing Chicken A Go Go

President Adrian attempted to do the same but was overruled by the Council Of The Wise & he added more to the pot.

PROGRAM

Steve Collins introduced our Program with much more than normal gusto. He often says when introducing a program that it gives him great pleasure to do so. In this case, that would have been an understatement. He was extremely pleased to to present to us MJC's New President, Dr. Jim Houpis. So, Steve, does this mean you're happy to remain in retirement?

Dr. Jim shared his first impressions of Modesto with NMK, coming in from Skyline College in San Bruno & before that he served at California State University, East Bay, CSU Chico, Southern & Illinois University. According to the article in the Modesto Bee cited below he also worked at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as an environmental scientist and project leader. And he earned a doctorate in forest science, a master's in biology and a bachelor's in environmental sciences. He hails from New York, but says he had a Boston accent. And that that was considered a speech impediment by New Yorkers back in the day.

Read more here:

<https://www.modbee.com/news/local/education/article226577514.html#storylink=cpy>

All in all, his impressions of Modesto were were very positive. And I speak for NMK that our impressions of Dr. Jim were also very high. Welcome to Modesto, Dr Jim!

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MARBLE & LUNCH MONEY

An unproductive flat white marble was drawn by somebody, but I can't recall who. I don't have short-term memory loss, I have long-term recall disorder.

Steve Collins won the lunch money to add to his retirement fund.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS .

May 16 – Modesto Symphony links up local school children with the world of music. Caroline Nickel & Carole Richard

May 23 – Modesto Mayor Ted Brandvold

May 30 – Members Joseph Cosgrove & Aaron Kellums re selling tickets online & other new technology (Snapchat)

June 6 – car show prep

June 13 – car show recap

Upcoming Events

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| June 5 | Graffiti stuffing party and social at Randy & Denise's place, aka the Man Cave. Starting time 5 p.m. |
| June 7-9 | American Graffiti weekend |
| June 20 | CASA benefit golf tournament. Contact Jim Toal about limited entries |
| June 22 | CASA benefit concert at Del Rio, featuring a Rolling Stones tribute band. Contact Jim Toal about sponsorship opportunities |
| Aug. 22 | Kiwanis night at the Modesto Nuts |

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Current Board				
President	Adrian Crane		2017-2019	Mike Boyd, Odette Fattal,
1st Vice President	Robert Husman			Robert Husman, Bill Ryan
2nd Vice President	Britta Skavdahl			
Past president	Eric Angelo		2018-2020	Randy Cook, Tim Ragsdale
Secretary	Lori Rosman			George Bairey, Bill Heyden
Treasurer	Britta Skavdahl			
Event Committee Chairs				
NMK Field Games	Jim Felt		CASA Golf Tournament	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		Membership Retention	
Young Children Priority One	Jeremiah Williams		Social Committee	Randy Cook
Youth Services	Sabine Saso		Programs	Steve Collins, Judy Herrero
Sponsored Youth	Brent B(Enochs), Ken Nolte		New Member Bios	George Bairey
	(Vanguard), Bill M (Central),		Soccer Club Liaison	George Bairey
	Marty Villa (Davis)		Web Master	Trish Christensen
Spiritual Aims	Marty Villa		New Member Orientation	Roger Suelzle, Steve Collins
Scholarships	Bill Ryan		Fiscal Oversight	Jim Graham
			Sunshine/cards	Judy Herrero
Membership Growth	Robert Husman		InterClub	Ken Darby
Insurance Commissioner	Bill Ryan		Publicity Chair	Kyle Barker, Trish Christensen