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## NORTH MODESTO

### Upcoming Programs

(by Zoom until further notice)

**Aug. 27** – Yamilet Valladolid – from Golden Valley Health Centers, re COVID 19 and other health issues in the Hispanic community

**Sept. 3** – report from board meeting

**Sept. 10** – Marvin Jacobo – City Ministry Network and its efforts to help the community, reaching far beyond what you might imagine

**Sept. 17** – Donna Linder, Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters, all about the all mail election on Nov. 3

**Sept. 24** – Wes Page and the Modesto Radio Museum

*If you aren't getting the Zoom invitations, email President Robert Husman –*

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### Report from our Aug. 20, 2020 Meeting

President Robert Husman presiding

**Pledge:** Isabella Mendoza **prayer:** Marty Villa

**Guests:** Happy to again have a great showing of Key Club members from Enochs, Beyer, Gregory and Vanguard -- Isabella, Dakota, Mario, Lelani, Kat and Hya. I apologize if I missed anyone.

#### Announcements:

Love Modesto is raising money through an online raffle. You can see the prize offers and buy tickets at [www.LoveOurCities.org/raffle](http://www.LoveOurCities.org/raffle). It closes Aug. 31.

Next Friday is the governor's visit – via Zoom. Lt. Gov. Lori will be sending out the link. Robert asks that we have a strong turnout.

Health report: Loren Suelzle said he has been seeing Bob Dunbar on the golf course. Howard Sweet continues to recover from COVID 19.

Richard Reimche said he talked to Jim Toal, who has recovered from COVID. Jim's wife also got the virus but is doing OK.

**Weekly question from Robert:** What are you doing as a community service?

Monica said the Key Clubs recently had their first service event not on Zoom. Coming up: letters to/for life savers.

**Also, not discussed at today's meeting:** Robert received an email from the D46N's Service Project Chairs (Dakota Caton and Daniel Elli Ruiz) about a potential service project for the division: It would involve Key clubbers developing fun origami creations. For every origami creation made, Kiwanis will donate a set amount of money to PTP. We would love to collaborate with both of your Kiwanis clubs, and we are interested to see your thoughts regarding this. With regards to the pricing, we are considering maybe \$3 for every 2 cranes made. Watch for more info on this.

George and Marie will be taking a big stash of books to the Red Shield Center, which is closed but providing reading materials to kids.



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### **Report from Aug. 20 Meeting Continued**

Judy is following up on an idea from Britta: Donating books to some of the Little Libraries set up around town by volunteers. If anyone else wants to try the same thing, there is a map available at: <https://littlefreelibrary.org/ourmap/>

**Birthday:** Isabella turned 17 today and we entertained her with the birthday song.

**Wedding anniversary:** Doug and Judy Hardie celebrated #45 at Lake Tahoe.

### **Happy/Sad/Etc. Bucks:**

Kevin Scott goes in for surgery Friday for removal of his kidney stone.

Robert is happy that the remodel of his front bathroom is almost done.

There were several comments about haircuts, or the lack thereof. George Bairey took some razzing about the length of his hair.

Lori asks for prayers for her daughter and her family, who lives right on the fire evacuation line near Vacaville. Lori's son-in-law is a CHP helicopter pilot who was among those warning people to get out now.

Brian Sanders is happy that the fall semester begins next week (mostly online) at Columbia College, providing a step toward normalcy.

### **Program on Opera Modesto**

Roy Stevens was back for a return visit to share his love of opera and to prove to us that opera is NOT BORING. A Modesto High grad and Key Club president, Roy was encouraged into singing by someone who recognized he had a voice that could be trained.

He thanked NMK for supporting the Summer Opera Institute for Teens, which went on this year despite COVID restrictions. The student participants are not just learning to be opera singers but also to be leaders and to learn more about history, cultures, etc. Opera productions require people who know engineering, physics and science.

Collaboration with other arts groups has been key to the success of Opera Modesto. The next big project will be "The Race," the opera literary project for the coming year. It will include a movie production. Opera Modesto has a website and two You Tube channels for anyone wanting more info on their many activities.



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