



# Kiwaniis®

## NORTH MODESTO

### **Bulletin from Dec. 31, 2020 Meeting**

**Presiding:** Robert Husman -- with no beard!

**Pledge:** Don Vieira

**Prayer:** Larry Hughes

**Guests:** only our speaker

**Announcements/helping others:** George Bairey provided a summary of our Xmas book and art basket distribution, "beating the system" as it relates to Covid. Our club rose to the occasion. Thanks George, Judy, Marty et al.

Ken Nolte and Roger Suelzle, along with Lori, made a "supply run" up the Kiwanis Family House with a variety of supplies to support the house. Really cool that we continue to support this great cause.

Ken also promoted an upcoming pajama drive with the Key clubs. Details to be given later.

**Birthdays:** Ken Darby, whose birthday is today. He joined late in the meeting, after some people had signed off, so the birthday song was rather subdued (maybe even better that way).

**No Anniversaries, member or otherwise**

**Happy/Sad Bucks**

Jim Felt happy buck for reminiscing about his "float" down the Salmon River in Idaho when he was a teenager. A scene from the Salmon white water was his backdrop on the Zoom call. That prompted lots of reminiscing about various rafting trips from club members. Not sure there were happy bucks in there but a fun listen none the less.

Judy shared her recent bird watching trip out at San Joaquin Wildlife Refuge. Great time and beautiful weather.

Larry happy to have a new laser machine in his home and displayed our car show logo engraved into wood. Really cool.

Loren fell from a ladder and hurt his elbow but doing much better. Happy \$1 for feeling better.

Lisa Lodi is selling Modesto rental and building a new rental in Arizona. Timing seems to be coming together but a little anxious about it. Best of luck



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Jeremiah came on board masquerading as his wife Nancy on Zoom but later got his own name and showed himself.

Charlie had a promotional \$10 + \$10 to cover Jeremiah. He and Trish purchased and installed 3 beautiful new pieces of furniture in their home hand built by Oakcrafts by Jeremiah.

### **Program**

Sue Zwahlen, who is in the runoff for Mayor along with Doug Ridenour (He will be speaking with us on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>)

This is an all mail-in election and please remember to use the envelope that comes along with the ballot.

Sue began by acknowledging our club for all the good work we do in the community.

Unique qualifications; 40 years as an ER nurse and 8 years on Modesto City Schools board in the wake of the 2008 crisis. Wants to work together to forge common ground on the council.

Work on investing in neighborhoods as well as an open-door policy.

Lifetime Modesto resident and a Davis High grad.

Thoughts on homeless...was involved in the Focus on Prevention committee recently and feels there could be quicker, more direct action that she could or would take as Mayor working with the County and State as well.

Intends to work more collaboratively with the Council and keep it civil and focused on moving forward.

Lots of great questions from members to Sue about specific issues. She addressed them as best she could.

### **Upcoming Programs**

**Jan. 7** – board report

**Jan. 14** – Doug Ridenour, the other finalist for mayor

**Jan. 21** – Sean O’Neal – The Official Kudzu Report

**Jan. 28** – Wendy Byrd, president of the local NAACP, talks about the organization’s activities and projects.



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### **2020-2021 Board**

**President:** Robert Husman

**Vice President:** Aaron Kellums

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president:** Jim Graham

**Secretary:** Lori Rosman

**Treasurer:** Jim Felt

### **Board Members:**

**2019-2021** – Laura Maki, Brian Sanders, Gary Wasmund, Bob Reidel

**2020-2022** – Troy Wright, Loren Suelzle, AJ Figueuroa, Ana Kanbara