

Retired Employees of Merced County Association, Inc. A 501(c)(7) Association (REMCOAI) *February 2024* 

# **NEWSLETTER**

The quarterly luncheon & business meeting of the Retired Employees of Merced County Association, Inc. will be held on *Tuesday, March 12th* at the Merced Elks Lodge, 19th & "M" St, Merced.

#### Topic: Taxes for Seniors

10:00 AM Doors Open10:30 AM Presentation11:30 AM Business Meeting12:00 PM Lunch Served

#### **RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY and REQUIRED by**

March 8th to have an accurate head count for food. The following people will accept your reservation: Lori Norman (209) 769-5556 Lola Barnett (209) 658-5109

#### **Officers and Directors**

President	Jackie Walther- Parnell	209-725-8297
Vice President	Lori Norman	<u>209-769-5556</u>
Secretary	LaVon Justice	<u>209-722-8202</u>
Treasurer	Richard St Marie	<u>209-201-9057</u>
Director - ByLaws Committee	Bernadette Castaneda	<u>209-777-5118</u>
Director - Registration, Trips	Jim Pacheco	209-631-0868
Director - Photographer/FB Live	Open	
Director - Events (Speakers/Presenters)	Open	
Director - Communication/Newsletter/Facebook	Open	
Director - Elections	Open	
Past President	Lola Barnett	209-658-5109

REMCO WEBSITE: <u>www.REMCOMerced.com</u> MercedCERA WEBSITE: www.mercedcera.com

# **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Lori Norman (Vice President)

I love the idea of a new year. It gives me a feeling of optimism and of new things waiting to be revealed. The Remco Board is looking for new members and it is a great time of year to try something new. It's time to look forward to some new experiences. (When I accepted the position of VP, I never thought I would be writing a newsletter) Consider a new relationship, or a passion reignited. (I have met some great people being on the board and found that I missed being part of an organization)

We are happy to have put together a newsletter this quarter. It would be great if we could get a volunteer or two help with the next one.

The first meeting of the year with be March 12th. The program will be "Taxes for Seniors". We will start taking reservations on February 20th. You can reach out to myself or Lola Barnett.

President Jackie is having some new health issues and asked me to write the message this quarter. We wish her well and hope to see her soon.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any comments or feedback for the Remco Board. Our contact information is included in this newsletter.

Hope to see you on March 12th either in person or on Facebook Live.

Lori

### ARTICLES

Our board is happy to announce that we have signed another year contract with the Merced Elks to continue to have our quarterly meetings at their location. The schedule is as follows:

#### 2024 General Membership Meeting/Luncheon Schedule

March 12	Sept 10
June 11	December 10

Mark your calendars now! These meetings will also be available live on our Facebook page. If you haven't joined our Facebook page, now is the time!

#### Monthly Draw Winner!

Our first quarterly winner of a \$50 Visa Card is Bobby Eddy from Solid Waste. Congratuations!

#### Volunteer of the Year 2023!

Don Lee was recognized as our Volunteer of the year at our December Holiday Luncheon. After 20 plus years as a Superior Court clerk, he didn't stop offering his services and talents. The members and friends of the Senior Center on 15th Street are especially thankful for his daily devotion to senior safety and support of other various activities at the Center.

#### Our Non-Profit of the Year 2023!

The board reviewed the nominations and chose The Merced Senior Center. They were provided a \$500 donation.

## **Board Positions Open**

During even number years, REMCO elects new Board Members. We have 4 open positions that need to be filled ASAP. If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to <u>lorinorman@sbcglobal.net</u>, Please use REMCO as the subject. Please include which position you are interested in and why. You must be a member in good standing to be a board member. We have a great set of officers, and we now need some great new directors.

Director: Photos/FB Live Director: Events (speakers at our meetings) Director: Communications (newsletter/Facebook/web page) Director: Elections

## **By-law Committee**

It is time to do a review of our current by-laws. The by-laws are available to review on our website - <u>remcomerced.com</u> If you would like to participate, please send an email to Bernadette Castameda, <u>bcastaneda3217@comscast.com</u> You do not need to live in town to participate. This process can all be done by phone or zoom.

#### **REMCOMERCED.COM**

Our website has been updated. Please review and let us know if there is anything else you would like to see us publish on this site.

REMINDER: If you are on Facebook, please join the REMCO Group. You'll find the latest information as well as videos and live stream broadcasts of our Quarterly meetings. Here is a link to the group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/527512874350767 The group is a private group so an admin will approve your membership. Be sure and answer the simple questions when prompted.

Need a new place for lunch? The Merced Elks Lodge offers lunch Monday-Thursday 11am-2pm. Best of all, you don't need to be an Elk's member to have lunch. Next time you want to go out to lunch - try the Elks Lodge!

## **New Retirees**

Cacho	Irene	Louise	12/31/2023	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-PE& I
Campbell Bohn	Danielle		12/31/2023	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-ADMINISTRATION
Nattrass	Socorro		12/31/2023	HSA-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Sterrett	Valerie	J	12/31/2023	RISK MANAGEMENT
Votta	Maureen	E	12/31/2023	HSA-C-IV PROJECT
Whittemore	Jill	L	12/31/2023	HSA-ELIGIBILITY SERVICES DIVISION
Anaya	Ray		11/30/2023	SHERIFF-COURT OPERATIONS
Friesen	Mary	Kathryn	11/30/2023	AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
Kohn	Margaret	L	11/30/2023	SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES
Rochester	Kalisa		11/30/2023	PROBATION
Rocha	Arnulfo		10/31/2023	JUVENILE HALL
Rodheim	Brett		10/31/2023	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-MERCED ADULT
Whitley	Wesley	Μ	10/31/2023	DPW-ROAD DIVISION
Ledford	Buck	Т	9/30/2023	SHERIFF
Tillett	Jamie	L	9/30/2023	JUVENILE HALL
Fernandez	Maria	Corina	8/31/2023	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-MERCED CHILDREN
MOONEYHAM	DONNIE	E	8/31/2023	TRIAL COURT OPERATIONS
Super	Mark	Anthony	8/31/2023	CORONER
Conover	Mark	S	7/31/2023	SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES
Hauhuth	Alfred	А	7/31/2023	DPW-ROAD DIVISION
NIGHTENGALE	RUTH	CATHERINE	7/31/2023	25050
Ryland	Anthony	D	7/31/2023	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-WESTSIDE