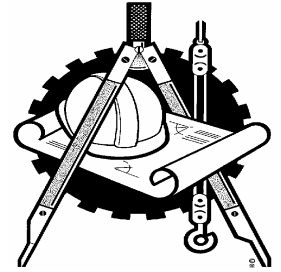


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# MODESTO ENGINEERS CLUB

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### FORMAL LUNCH MEETINGS

October 7/November 4

\*: Skip 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday due to holiday conflicts

Meeting Times: 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Formal Meeting Location: **S.O.S. Club, 819 Sunset Ave.** (near Dryden Golf Course)

### INFORMAL MEETINGS

Members regularly meet on Tuesdays, 11:30a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Old Mill Café, corner of 9<sup>th</sup> & F Street in Modesto for camaraderie. No formal program is presented.

### BOARD MEETINGS

(7–8:00am, Old Mill Café)

Next Meeting: No board meeting for October.

**Officer Installation Dinner** - Members may bring a spouse, friends, *or both* ;-)

Location: SOS Club Banquet

Date: October 15, 2008

Time: 6:30 pm

Cost: \$15.00 / person (Pending membership vote at next meeting)

Menu: You choose between:

- Santa Maria Tri Tip
- Chicken Cordon Bleu

## 2007-08 OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Mike Rieben                      President 526-4214  
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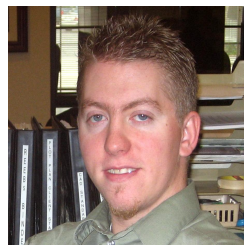
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Steve Davis, Earl Kleinfelder, Ryan Carrel, Doug Samski, Rapunzel Lewis, David Leamon  
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**ATTENDANCE:** Last Meeting...  
22 members

**October Freeloader** – Tom DeLaMare

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Well, it's that time of year when I chair my last meeting and we usher in the new officers. I'm pleased to announce that Dan Machado has accepted the Secretary /

Treasurer position.

Dan has prior experience on the board and has been a member of our club for about 6 years. Please join me this Tuesday to vote and install our new officers.

Officer Ballot for 2008~2009:

- **David Castro** for President
- **Jennifer Pratt** for Vice President
- **Dan Machado** for Secretary/Treasurer

Earl Kleinfelder will be stepping down from the board to make room for our new officer. Thank you, Earl, for your time and dedication to the club.

I'm truly honored and would like to thank you all for the opportunity to lead such a fine group of professionals.

Please join me for the Officer Installation Dinner to recognize our new officers.

Mike Rieben – President

## **THIS MONTH'S PRESENTATION / VP MESSAGE**

Here are the remaining 2008 scheduled speakers;

- October - Gerry Kamilos, West Park industrial park
- November - Nick Pinhey, City of Modesto CIP projects
- December - Kris Balaji - gas price study

**David Castro – Vice President**

## **SECRETARY'S NOTES**



September Notes:  
Lee Delano spoke about aircraft/pilot regulations.

I was fined \$3 for not having a name tag for Evangelina Paoluccio...let's see some others pay their fines too (Ryan Carrel and

Tom DeLaMare have unpaid fines from this year.)

Mike Rieben spoke to the club about reviewing the members on the board for next year and seeking secretary/treasurer for the '08/'09 year.

Since the September meeting Dan Machado has volunteered to be Secretary/Treasurer for the upcoming year. The club will vote on this in the upcoming month.

Sign-ups for the Installation Dinner will be available at the meeting and on the website. The dinner will be at the SOS Club – more information to follow.

**The club account balance is: \$1538.**

## **STANDBY AGENDAS**

The Board would like three standby speakers for the monthly meetings. The standby presentations should be from the existing membership. These presentations would be in case the guest speaker has an emergency or is sick and cannot make it. Standby speakers would receive as little as 2 hours of

notification (A real Toastmaster challenge). If you would consider being a standby speaker, please contact David Castro.

## **MEETING LOCATION**

Our formal meetings are at the SOS Club, 819 Sunset Avenue (near Dryden Golf Course), ph. 578-5801. Tuesday's menu features a buffet style meal. **Please pay the \$10.00** to the treasurer, Jennifer Pratt, (half off for Students). The beverage, tax and tip are included. We have the Mellis Room reserved. The main courses will vary each week. Please park in the street or at Dryden Golf Course. The club parking lot is for SOS Club members only.

## **OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR NEW MEMBERS**

The Outreach committee is designed to market the Club to potential new members. Every member can be a part of this effort by forwarding along our monthly newsletter and talking about the club. Please extend offers to join the club to your colleagues.

## **ABOUT THE ENGINEERS CLUB**

### **AN INVITATION**

The Modesto Engineers Club is pleased to invite you to join its membership.

### **PURPOSE OF THE CLUB**

The preamble of the club by-laws is quoted: "The object of this club, primarily, is to provide an organization in which Engineers of all branches of the profession may come together, and through which they may cooperate and foster fellowship and the development of the engineering profession in public affairs and community welfare".

## **WHO MAY JOIN**

The by-laws are further quoted: "The membership shall consist of those who are or have been engaged in the direction or prosecution of engineering or architecture, or teachers of students of engineering or other allied sciences".

## **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

The Club meets once a month on the first Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the SOS club. The program usually consists of a speaker on technical subjects and local affairs of interest to engineers. There are several social affairs during the year, which include the annual President's Steak Fry, A Valentines Day luncheon, the annual trip to Woolgrowers restaurant in Los Banos the annual Officers Installation Dinner and the Christmas Stag Party. Spouses and guests are welcome at most functions.

## **THE COST**

A \$25.00 initiation fee and first years dues of \$25.00, \$50.00 total is payable with the submission of application. Thereafter the dues are \$25.00 per year to renew. New members will receive a certificate of membership and a nametag will be provided for our formal lunch meetings. Members pay for their own lunches, and for meals at other events.

## **SIZE OF CLUB**

The club, having been founded in 1932 enjoys a wealth of former members, and approximately 64 active members. They represent many of the public works engineers, consultants, utility companies, and suppliers of construction and engineering materials.

## **THE APPLICATION**

We would be pleased if you complete the application. Please obtain the signatures of two active members. After submittal of your application, it will be read at the meeting. At the next meeting at which the applicant is present, membership will be based on a two-thirds affirmative vote of members present. You will then be inducted. The ceremony is simple, but dignified. Applicants are welcome to attend weekly meetings while their applications are pending.