



Retired Employees of Merced County Association, Inc.  
A 501(c)(7) Association (REMCOAI) *June 2023*

# NEWSLETTER

The quarterly luncheon & business meeting of the Retired Employees of Merced County Association, Inc. will be held on **Tuesday, June 13th** at the Merced Elks Lodge, 19th & "M" St, Merced.

10:00 AM Doors Open  
10:30 AM Presentation  
11:30 AM Business Meeting  
12:00 PM Lunch served

**RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY and REQUIRED by June 9th** 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
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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Jackie Walther-Parnell, CGFM-Ret

Our next REMCO meeting and luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2023. Please have your reservations in no later than June 9th. You can call Lola Barnett or Lori Norman to make your reservations, or you can make a request on the REMCO Facebook Page and Lori will make note of your reservation request. When you request a reservation on the Facebook page Lori will "like" your request or comment so you will know that she has seen it and has added you to the reservation list.

Our speakers for the June meeting will be from the Merced Police Department: Det Sannadan, Community Services, and Rosa Alvarez, Adult Protective worker, with the speakers starting at 10:30 am.

If you make a reservation but can't make it, please call either Lola or Lori to cancel. REMCO is charged for all lunches ordered whether the person attends or not. The Elks Lodge, who provides our lunches, has increased their prices due to increases in costs of products and labor. Lunch for members is currently \$8, and guests are \$12.

Vice President, Scott Johnston, did a great job of handling the March meeting along with other members of the REMCO Board. Thank you Scott.

I have been unavailable for the past few months having surgery and trying to recover. If I am unable to attend the June meeting Scott will cover again. Our new executive committee members will begin their terms in September. They are Lori Norman, Vice President, replacing Scott Johnston; and Richard St Marie, Treasurer, replacing Lola Barnett.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me over the past years while I was vice president and then president after we lost Sandy Teague.

Jackie

## NEW DIRECTOR BIO - MEET ERIC SWENSON

Eric has lived his entire life in California, spending most of his younger years in the Sacramento Area. He attended UC Davis from 1975 until graduation in 1979 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. In his career as an engineer Eric ended up doing a lot of environmental work and after taking additional classes at Fresno State in 1995 he became both a licensed Civil and Mechanical Engineer. Eric married the love of his life who he met at Davis in 1981 and they settled and started their family in Diane's hometown Merced. Eric and Diane have 2 children and now 4 grandchildren who all currently reside in Merced.

Eric worked for Merced County Environmental Health from February 2002 until July 2012. He currently considers himself semi-retired and still works as the District Engineer for Merquin County Water District. Eric is active in leading a shower ministry for the homeless through Love INC, attends Gateway Church, and is often camping in his small travel trailer with family and friends.

# CONGRATULATIONS 2023 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!!

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

**ANGELO TUMONONG** - ARVIN & CHRISTINE TUMONONG PARENTS RETIREE - ALMA CONTRERAS

**LAUREN DEMOSS** - SCOTT & JAEQUEE DEMOSS PARENTS, RETIREE - HOPE BARTEL

## CONTINUING EDUCATION:

**REGAN PELLISSIER** - TIM & AMY PELLISSIER PARENTS, RETIREE - MIKE TANNER

**ANTHONY SARGINSON** - LAWRENCE & HEATHER SARGINSON PARENTS, RETIREE - KATHLEEN SARGINSON

**CELINA HENN** - CHRIS & MYRA FERRR HENN PARENTS, RETIREE - KEN HENN

## MONTHLY DRAW WINNER!

The most recent monthly draw from REMCO MEMBERS list WINNER IS

**Ruth Tomlinson** of Merced, CA. Congrats to Ruth !!

Our presenters at the June 13th meeting and luncheon will be Merced Police Department Detective Sannadan, Rosa Alvarez Community Services, and Stephanie Cone, an Adult Protective Services worker. The topic will be "Current scams and frauds against senior citizens"

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.

Are you interested in taking a Remco organized trip? I'm a new board member and it was mentioned to me that in the past there have been organized trips to SF or Fresno or maybe a casino. Where would you like to go? Send me an email at [lorinorman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lorinorman@sbcglobal.net) or leave me a voice mail at 209-769-5556. Thank you, Lori Norman

## NEW RETIREES

Terri		Hankston	HSA-SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION	4/30/2023
Marsha		Larson	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-MERCED ADULT	4/30/2023
Regina		Lingenfelter	SHERIFF-CORRECTIONS	4/30/2023
James	F	Blauert	HSA-SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION	4/1/2023
Dartine		Ammerman	CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES AGENCY	3/31/2023
Katherine	A	Anaya	AUDITOR-CONTROLLER	3/31/2023
Sharon	D	Avalos	CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES AGENCY	3/31/2023
Katharine	M	Avery	AGRICULTURAL COMM-ANIMAL CONTROL	2/28/2023
Steven	M	Abbott	DPW-BUILDING SERVICES DIVISION	2/28/2023
Mary Ann		Aceves	PROB-JUVENILE	2/28/2023
John	S	Acosta	SHERIFF-CORRECTIONS	2/28/2023

**New REMCO Director Biographies can be found on the website also!**