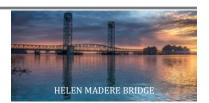
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"Well done is better than well said"—Benjamin Franklin



"Having fun helping others...watering the rosebuds"
-Dr. Ted Schulz

### Welcome

Anxious to finish his term, Pres. Danny calls the meeting to order minutes before 7 a.m., asking Ed. Dick to lead the Pledge, and for Gabe to lead us in Rotary Grace. With the weekend on his mind, Gene sings, "Under the Boardwalk," by The Drifters.

### **Guests of Rotarians**

"Buckwheat" Patty introduces our speaker, Bob Dias, who's both a Lions Club member and sits on the board of NorthBay Healthcare Foundation.

### **Celebrations**

Members enthusiastically sing Happy Celebrations to Ed. Dick, Hale and Pres. Elect Dave, for both member and wedding anniversaries.

#### **Announcements**

Leon announces that the board has snail-mailed suggested changes to our bylaws. Not surprisingly, one of the amendments is the ability email bylaw changes, rather than spending money on postage and printing.

### **Committee Report**

Tequila Y Más is moving along under the pseudo-leadership of Pres. Dan. He asks that we share promotional materials on FB, and begin to purchase tickets. Fortunately, Hector recognizes the importance of the cause, and is flawlessly executing.

## **Student Report**

In her final report as a senior, Mariko announces that there was a post on Facebook by Ms. Turk, asking that people sponsor yearbooks for 14 seniors that cannot afford a book, which is \$75. Liam summarizes the past

week for seniors, which began last week with Universal Studios; there's bowling and street painting this week—culminating in today's graduation.

Gabe reports that non-seniors had finals this week and also had the opportunity to vote on whether to



Erick Galeno, Pres. Elect Gabe, Liam Smith and Mariko Dubuis deliver their final report for the year.

celebrate their graduation at Universal Studios or Disneyland, and others

were contemplating a trip to Costa Rica or Hawaii.

Jim Lira recounts having a conversation with Elliott Hagan, in which Jim mentioned how fortunate Elliott was that he did not have 4 stents like him. Elliott laughed, saying that he had Jim beaten with five stents! Rio Vista lost a great kid.

Hector stands up and says he'll sponsor two year books. Camp Royal is the week of June 10.

Pres. Danny spins the wheel, when his phone rudely interrupts Liam's presentation—he pays \$5, as no one is interested in hearing him sing a song solo.



Interact VP Mariko asks that the Club have a moment of silence for Elliott Hagan.

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### Confessions

- Jim pays his fine for his purchase of a new Chevy Tahoe with all the bells and whistles. Jim speculated that Cub is not around after being "beat up" on price by Shirley.
- Gil visited Monterey for his granddaughter's graduation from Stevenson Prep School in Pebble Beach—where she received numerous awards. He proudly puts \$50 into the General Fund.
- Leon admits to finding his list of celebrations under some laundry, offering to sponsor a senior yearbook.



### **Marble Draw**

Once again, Ed Kingen has the lucky number, but doesn't have the magic touch. The pot has grown significantly, and few marbles remain.



### **Newsletter Staff**

Co-Editors: Edwin Okamura, Dick

Burkhart

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### **Leadership Cures Ills**

Bob Dias, in addition to being a Lions Club member, has served on the board of NorthBay Healthcare, since 2008. Their signature fundraiser, Wine



The Jubilee typically has over a 100 vendors and 2,000 attendees.

& Food Jubilee, helps to fund their "Dream of a Lifetime" program. Like the Make a Wish Foundation, they ask patients in hospice if there's anything that they really want to do in their waning months.

In one case, Bob worked with a former longshoreman that was suffering from

myopathy, a disease that causes the dysfunction of

muscles. Having owned a Corvette in his younger days, his wish was to, "Go fast in a car with my grandson." The dream took on a life of its own, with the man being driven by limousine to Sonoma Raceway to meet with his grandson and family, where each member took turns being driven around the track with Jim Inglebright, a Jelly Belly sponsored race driver.

In another case, a 26 year old boy named Gino, dreamed of watching the Oregon Ducks play the Oregon Beavers in their annual "Civil War" game. Gino was flown to the game, presented an ESPN football; met the president of the Rose Bowl, who presented a commemora-



Head Dream Maker, Bob Dias, excitedly recounts dreams made a reality.

tive coin from the game; and had photo ops with the Red Bull Girls.

Founded in 1956, NorthBay has grown to become a well respected organization, and is one of few that is a partner of the Mayo Clinic.

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
<u>DATE</u>	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
June 8	Sam Meints - Rio Vista Coast Guard	Ed Kingen
June 15	TBD	Lee Williams
June 22	TBD	Ken Wudel
June 29	Pres. Dan's Unfortunate Demotion (evening meeting)	No Morning Meeting
July 6	"The Rest of the Story" Eddie Woodruff	Danny Schindler
July 13	Growing up in Rio Vista	Jim Lira