



THE Rio Rotarian



HELEN MADERE BRIDGE

"Having fun helping others...watering the rosebuds"

-Dr. Ted Schulz

Welcome

Eddie blasts Dan for not using an official bell or gavel to open the meeting, offering him a breakfast bell. Satisfied, members stand for the Pledge and Prayer. For our song Gene asks that we pay our respects to the late Hugh Hefner, appropriately suggesting we sing "My Girl," by the Temptations.

Our Guests

Dan welcomes back MIA member Dave Mason, and Hector welcomes his guest and speaker, Dave Melilli.

Celebrations

Ed. Edwin has a birthday, while Hale celebrates an impressive 15 year anniversary with Rotary. We rejoice and sing Happy Celebrations.

Confessions

- Bob gets a flu shot, which requires going shirtless in public. He offers \$10 to a charity of Ken's choosing.
- Leon consumed massive amounts of sugar growing up, and never visited the dentist—resulting in a root canal. \$50 to the Harvey Felt Scholarship Fund.
- Dan dives in Monterey amongst jelly fish. Surfacing, he is elated to have avoided any barbs, not realizing that they were stuck to his regulator and suit—he's stung multiple times. He too donates \$50 to Harvey's Fund.

Gavel Pays Tribute to Kevin Graham



Thanks to the 11th-hour hard work of Jimmy Mac, the Kevin Graham Memorial Golf Tournament goes without a hitch. Sticking with tradition, very strict rules are posted, and not adhered to; and the winner is absolutely not the team with the lowest score. The day was fantastic with the gavel even participating in the activities, unbeknownst to Pres. Dan.

Interacts Helping Texas

Pres. Kiara advises the Club that, at the advice of Principal Turk, they are changing the focus of their service project. Originally, it was to provide donations to local shelters—they have now adopted a school in Texas, where catastrophic flooding occurred.



Kiara, Mariko, Gabe, Sam and Liam deliver the student report.

Students advise that college and financial aid applications will begin being accepted on October 1. They are looking at a wide range of universities, with Kiara shooting for Ivy League—Cornell. Sacramento State will be dropping by on November 29. In other news, Seniors will be selling baked goods at Bass Derby.

Announcements

- Patty passes around bills which have not been cleared from the system (but she believes they are paid). She asks that members review and provide her with check numbers.
- Sign-up sheets for Bass Derby make their rounds as Tom shares with members the fact that there are more students than Rotarians signed up for the Linguica booth. From 6-10 p.m. Friday is wide open.
- Poker Party November 15, with a measly \$20 buy in.
- Lee informs us that RVPD officer Brian Rogers will be 1 of 13 officers honored on October 13 at the Police Officer of the Year event in Fairfield. Call him if you wish to attend.
- Gary has 18 signed up for the Rotary horse races in November—it's \$41 and includes an amazing buffet.
- Patty says Rotary is supporting Toys for Tots. Be on the lookout for details in the Beacon.

Marble Pot Grows

Ed. Dick has the ticket, but he pulls a clear marble.



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Dave Melilli Gives the 411



Dir. Dave Melilli poses for this photo taken off the internet. Circa 2016.

Hector opens by reminding the Club that it's no secret that the City is in need of money. He rattles on with a tall tale, suggesting that they are considering raising goldfish at the waste water treatment plant and selling them at carnivals. Not missing a beat, Dave Melilli, Public Works Director for Rio Vista, says there is some truth to the story. In our recent past, there was discussion of redirecting water from the plant to a fish hatchery. Dave continues on with factual current projects:

- Energy efficiency project is in the works.
- Airport drainage project—60 days project. Trying to beat the rain.
- Boat launch. Dutra Group bid and will be working with us.
- Cal Trans staff will be doing a master plan for Bike ways.
- Church/Hwy 12 realignment in phase.
- Hwy 113/Hwy 12 roundabout is out to bid now.
- Bridge painting will begin shortly. The reason for the length of the project is due, in part, to not being able to shut the bridge down, and the necessity of capturing the lead-based paint.
- Water meter project is anticipated to be completed in October or November.
- Sewer lines are being tested for hot spots. They use a Red, Yellow and Green systems to rate the necessity of repairs.
- Paving and grinding streets.
- A solar project in the works.
- October 14 is semiannual Household Hazard Waste day. Dave is looking for volunteers.
- **Skate Board Park funding was approved** (late breaking news).

COMING ATTRACTIONS

DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
October 6	Dan Marshall, Solano County Sheriff	Tom Donnelly
October 13	No Meeting - BASS DERBY	
October 20	TBD	Dennis Elliott
October 27	TBD	Betty Davis
November 3	TBD	Leon Guzenda