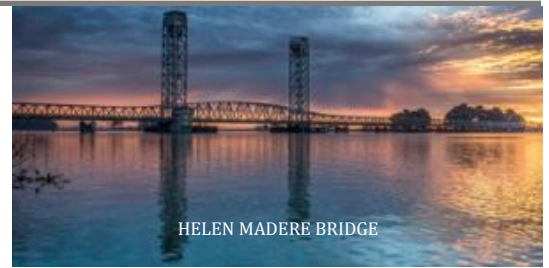




THE Rio Rotarian



HELENE MADERE BRIDGE

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

—Dr. Ted Schulz

Welcome

The BELL is back! The meeting is opened with the glorious beautiful sound of our official Rio Vista Rotary Bell. Danny calls on Gene to lead the song which they previous discussed, but Gene has that "Deer in the Headlight" look and starts us singing Jingle Bells.

Guests of Rotarian

Josie is back fresh from college.

Celebrations

We celebrate Molly's birthday AGAIN. The two Rotarian wives that had a birthday were Stephanie DeLaRosa and Verna Guzenda. Also, Eddie Woodruff celebrates a wedding anniversary.

Confessions

- Dennis reaches into his pocket to pay a \$25.00 fine for stiffing his brother with the lunch bill when he could not find his wallet.
- Cub confesses that his mother surprised him with an all paid birthday trip for his 39th birthday.
- The Rotary Club members pass the hat and contribute a thank you Christmas gift to our breakfast server at The Point.
- Danny confesses that he looked under his bed and found some special Rotary coins he was suppose to pass out to members.

Happy New Year



This is the last edition of the "Amazing Rio Rotarian" for the year 2017. It has been an exiting year of successful community projects and events, a lost bell and gavel, great club speakers and programs, new Paul Harris Awards, our local RVHS football championship team, outstanding Interact Club members, not to mention warm friendships, fun and camaraderie during our Friday morning meetings. May GOD bless you and your family in 2018.

Interact Student Report



Samuele discusses the championship football game as VP Mariko and Liam Smith look on.

The Juniors just submitted their Camp Royal applications. They had lot more RVHS students submit applications this year because the Camp Royal experience was highly promoted by last year's campers. The championship football game was very exciting with a very close score. Finals are done, and there's a collective sigh of relief.

College Report

Chris and Josie also had finals last week and are very tired from staying up all night. Except for Alyssa, who did not have finals because of the SoCal fires.



Announcements

- Molly reports that the Christmas Party was a wonderful event with the Lions Club and that a lot of toys were collected for the low income families of Rio Vista. The highlight of the evening was President Dan's opening of a Christmas Present where he found his missing bell, thanks to Santa. Let's all hope that he will not loose it again while he still looks for the gavel.
- Jimmy Mac is in the Lodi Memorial Hospital over the holidays from an infection which he developed. GET WELL Jim!!
- Leon Guzenda is presented with his first Paul Harris Award. Congrats Leon for making a difference in the world.
- The club received a thank you letter for our donation to the Mulegé Student Scholarship Program which was founded by the Tussy's. This program helps alleviate poverty through education.
- Our Treasurer announces that we had proceeds from our booths at the Bass Derby of \$2,877.

Marble Draw = No Winner

Speaker Hale has the ticket, but fails to pull the marble. The POT grows.



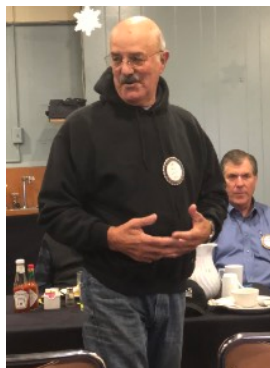
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Dennis digs for his wallet to pay \$25 for shorting his brother.



Jim Lira reports on his hospital visit to see ailing Jimmy Mac.



Cub gets to spin the wheel, again, for his many transgressions and his birthday trip, which was paid for by his mother. Age 40 is the next stop.

Suez to Dubai...Part Two (10/26 to 11/18/17)



Speaker Hale gets help from President Dan in order to start his presentation.



Hale keeps us on the edge of our seats as he describes Pirates in the Gulf of Aden.

Rotarian Hale Conklin continues his presentation from last week on his trip to the Middle East. The talk was equally educational as last session. Over 65 tombs have been uncovered in the Valley of Kings, including King Tut's tomb. Yemen and Somalia are both failed nations.



Hale goes deep for the lucky black marble.

	COMING ATTRACTIONS	
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
December 22	Christmas	No Meeting
December 29	New Years	No Meeting
January 5	Rotary International	Jack Krebs
January 12	Interact —CAMP ROYAL	Betty Davis