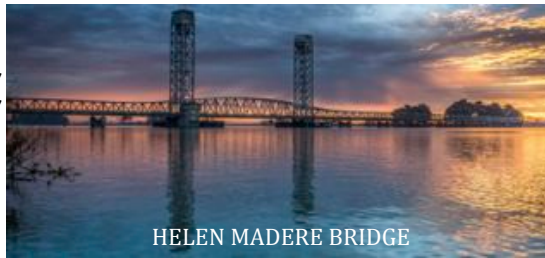




THE RÍO
"Some men learn by reading; a few learn by observation; the rest have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves."
—WILL ROGERS



Rotarian

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

—DR. TED SCHULZ

Bob Bard, Ed.



Inglorious invocation

Pres. Greg has no gavel or bell, and Merle Haggard rolls over in his grave as we sing Okie from Muskogee.

Pres. Greg's quizzie

On this date in 1974 what baseball player hit his 715th home run, and on which team? Hank Aaron, Atlanta Braves--Walt is the big winner.

Guests

Dick welcomes R. V. Beacon publisher, Cindy Green; Greg welcomes RVPD Officer Brian Rogers.

Welcome Jon

Pres. Greg bestows official certificate of membership on our newest member, Jon Blegen.

New member sponsorship pin awarded

Harvey is recognized for signing up 2 new members.



Cliff Dochterman entertained all at District Conference, Sunday.



Greg thanks Dick Burkhardt's keynote speaker, Assemblyman Jim Frazier, this morning, for an excellent discussion of California's political issues.

Hank suffers mild heart attack

Harvey received a call from Judy, yesterday, saying that they took Hank to Antioch, where they took care of him. He may be back home, tomorrow. **Get Well, Hank!**

We sign back of dictionary labels for 4th graders

Ted says April 20th is Dictionary Day. We'll receive thank you notes from kids.

Wayne is named our new Program Chairperson

He says those who do not sign up for a program will have the dubious honor of seeing their names on our website's "Wall of Shame." He also complains RVPD had two (2) units on Hwy 12 to catch innocent motorists who have to drive while answering their phones.

Community Center planning update

Jim Nordin says Eddie will soon give a report on the proposed plans.

Golf tournament

Kelley says get in your registration forms. Drew Graham will be chef.

Highway 12 delays

Jim McCracken says expect delays, 8:30am--3:30pm, Monday thru Wednesday, from Currie Rd. to Azevedo Rd. One-way traffic will be enforced while CalTrans works.

Cindy Green discusses R. V. Beacon

Cindy and her daughter drive many miles to gather and get out the news, and they get their vehicles from Abel's! She says Girls softball fields need 30 yards of dirt. Danny says they're getting it!

Alyssa exchanges improperly dated ball drop tickets

Hector was likely tasting tequila when he designed the originals.

Student Rotarians Report

Bryan goes 2 for 3 with triple and single Vs. Saints at Raley Field; Swim Team Vs. Vacaville Christian; Yearbook due next week; Academic Decathlon next week; Interact will do Pancake Breakfast; Prom next week; no Senior Ditch Day or Prank permitted (good luck on that); Disneyland Trip planned; Graduation practice, soon.

Confessions

Cub went Corvette racing at Thunder Hill and finished second out of 80 cars (Rich won...again), sold Jim Nordin a Volt, and sold Cindy 3 more cars. He pays \$50.

Ted vacations in Mesquite, NV, cleanest town in NV, located on NV-AZ border just north of Las Vegas, where he sees gamblers from many different states. He shamefully tries to reduce \$30 fine down to \$5, spuriously claiming his best "Bob Bard" imitation. *Tsk, tsk!*



Student Rotarians give report, from left: Bryan Peters, Cheyanne Bastedo, Alyssa Mandujano, Emma Okamura, Casie Mortimore, Madalyn Schultz, Josie Hamilton, and Piero Tello. COMPOSITE PHOTO

Update on Blegen girls

Jon announces daughter, Kelsey, Student Rotarian 2004-5, graduated UC Berkeley with high honors, Phi Beta Kappa, in Fine Arts, then UC Davis Law School, practices for small firm in S. F. and living in Walnut Creek, married to pharmacist. Shaye, Student Rotarian 2006-7, graduated UCLA with highest honors, Phi Beta Kappa, got masters degree and teaching credential at Columbia, taught school in Manhattan, now Oklahoma City. After all of that, Jon still has enough money left to pay \$25 to Swimming Pool Fund.

Jim Frazier not here, Dick starts to sweat

Today's program chair gets nervous. He hastily pays \$50 to wife's PHF and prays for Frazier to arrive.

More on Cindy and the R. V. Beacon

Cindy says 500 new homes at Trilogy means more mailing costs. There's a new youth classes insert for June. Email her with news & questions. Size of paper will increase from 16 to 18 pages. Paper is printed in Galt; she drops it off at Walnut Grove, Isleton, and Rio Vista P. O.'s. Deadline for articles is Sat. a. m. She mails papers to every home for the advertisers. Papers are also distributed to the Delta Loop and every home at Oxbow. Current circulation is 5,500 and growing.

Late husband, Harry, had degree in Journalism and started publishing papers, 1991, Discovery Bay; then in Clayton; then 19 years ago in Rio Vista. Cindy has no office, and she learned newspaper business from Harry. **"I" program--Don Henry**

Don's a former Rotarian who met Dave Mason because he was looking for a good roofer, but he says that he's still looking for a good roofer. Don's in the real estate business, mainly doing mortgages and working with some buyers. He's from Buffalo, N. Y., where he lived for

29 years. He says wherever you go from Buffalo, the weather is always good, perhaps meaning that it's worse in Buffalo. Since he says he's celebrating his 49th trip around the sun, we gather he left Buffalo 49 years ago... and found out that other places actually have sun.

Don's formal education is Industrial Engineering with a Master's in Business and Finance. He came to CA 30 years ago. he lives at Lake Berryessa, and he commutes 1.5 hours to Rotary. He drives 2,000 miles per week for business, and he has a photographic memory. **At last, our program arrives--Assemblyman Jim Frazier**

Jim lives in Oakley and has seen it grow from 2,000 to 36,000 people. He was a general contractor for 36 years, then elected to the Assembly. His 2 daughters were in a traffic accident 15 years ago; one died, and one was very seriously injured. Jim's frustration with trying to correct the highway problem that caused that, and other accidents, spurred him on to seek elective office. Since he fixed the problem, no more have died, there.

50/50 Raffle

Raffle Chair Al draws own ticket; but wrong marble.



District Conference finale celebration: event organizers took over the stage with gala signs, banners and posters.

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Friday, April 15	Chuck Anderson--Healthy Partnerships	Jamie Wilson
Friday, April 22	Jam Cruise	Derek "the Cub" Abel
Friday, April 29	Jerry A. Sanchez, Solano County D. A.'s Office--Fraud Investigation	Bob Bard
Friday, May 6	TBA	Hector De La Rosa
Friday, May 13	Naomi Walker--Exchange Host Family Experience	Tatyana Pool