



THE RIO

The advantage of exercising is so when you die, they'll say, "Well, he looks good, doesn't he?"
—ANONYMOUS



Rotarian

"Having fun helping others... watering the rosebuds"
—DR. TED SCHULZ



Bob Bard, Ed.

In remembrance

We observe moment of silence for 155 police officers who were killed in the line of duty, nationwide, last year.
We're wingin' it today

Pres. Greg boldly announces that he's unprepared to resume his responsibilities to lead our meeting, this morning, prompting Wayne to suggest he seek help from our highly capable city manager. However, Greg currently serves as chief of police *and* interim city manager. Unrelenting, Wayne then inquires about the missing gavel. Greg parries with thinly veiled threat of "surprise" in June. Well, at least Greg still has the bell.

Dave Mason arrives too late to greet his guest

Derek Jones introduces past Rotarian from Napa, Don Henry. Don asks if anyone knows a good roofer.

Molly introduces her guest, Kathy Wright

Kathy, a 5th generation Rio Vistan, is today's speaker. Molly touts Booster Club Dinner-Dance, Sat., Jan. 30, for \$150/couple. There will be a "reverse raffle." Proceeds of event support RVHS programs.

Reflections of a presidency

Greg exalts that the first half of his term went by quickly. Jack quips, "We wish we could say the same."

Wayne becomes PHF+7

Greg calls Wayne to head table, and Wayne asserts that he does not have the gavel...presently. Greg announces Wayne's PHF standing, and he mentions that we need to recruit new members. Greg then describes the various new animals that have recently joined his family. Sounds like he's been busy, lately.

Jack is moving to Geezerville

Jack presents Greg with Rotary District membership award earned during Jack's tenure as Pres. He's moving to Trilogy and no longer will have room for it in his house.

Gary takes the floor

He thanks Jim Mac for helping with raffle tickets, and praises him for buying new pair of Levi's. Then, he says the golf tournament is set for Wednesday, May 11, posters will be made, and Kelley will be chairperson.

Chief Greg lauds Laz for pulling over, this morning

When Gary saw flashing lights, he gulped and got out of the way, not knowing if he'd forgotten to operate turn signals or shouldn't have been using cell phone. Then, Greg happily whizzed by on official business. Gary is so relieved for not being cited that he pays \$50 to general fund. Greg was headed to alleged break-in at R. V. Hotel. Unfortunately, there was a break-in at Ken's pharmacy.

Milestones

Walt, birthday; Rotary Anniversaries: Bob--43 years, Dick Brann--40 years, Betty--12 years, Neil--47 years, Danny--3 years, Hank--55 years.

Student Rotarian's Report

Alyssa is only student awake at this hour, so she reports school resumes on Monday, she's finishing last minute homework, Senior shirts are made. When asked for report on yearbook and Senior scholarships, she adroitly passes the buck to the absent Interactors. With skills like that, she might consider career in politics.

Jack visits Dick Brann

Dick is staying with daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Ian Anderson, and Jack says Dick sends his regards. Dick stays informed on local activities and appreciates receiving our club newsletter.

Dave Falk is in rehab in Vallejo

Edwin says he's heard that Dave suffered heart attack, but he's hanging in there.

Confessions

Greg advises Hale not to move so quickly, as we might not think he's a Lion. Hale announces Stanford's lopsided 45-16 victory over Iowa at Rose Bowl, and he gives \$16 to Community Services.

Your editor jumps into the fray and announces that his wife has new/used car (Chevy Malibu), and that he'll pay Mr. Abel's fine, if any, as he and Marian appreciated excellent service at dealership. So, your ed. pays \$25.

Hector celebrated birthday, Dec. 28 with Napa trip & wine tasting/blending. He gives \$25 to general fund. An enterprising financial wiz, Hector may share bottle of his custom blended wine after proper aging at \$1 per sip.

Molly announces her young German AFS student got homesick and went back home. She's 15 years old. Molly gives \$25.

Jim Nordin was minding his own business when a huge object fell off an approaching truck on Hwy 12 and crashed into his windshield and dashboard, totaling his car. So, he'd just gotten a new car, only to have some lady back into it at the Point parking lot. If it weren't for bad luck, he'd have no luck at all.

Jim Mac announces birth of fifth grandson, Grey Adam Schulz. Then, he says he's sold his crane business after 31 years. His reason for selling: too many regulations with which to comply. He's still working, but now he has more reasonable hours. Obviously feeling very flush, he drops \$500 on grandson's PHF.

Pres. Greg says his daughter turned 16 and passed her driver's test, missing 5 questions. He pays \$21.

Rotary scholar sends her thanks

Pres. Greg reads letter from Sarah Gamaza, who finished her first quarter at UCD with a 4.0 GPA. She'll attempt 2 more units, next term.

Ted's new haircut sans ponytail draws rave reviews

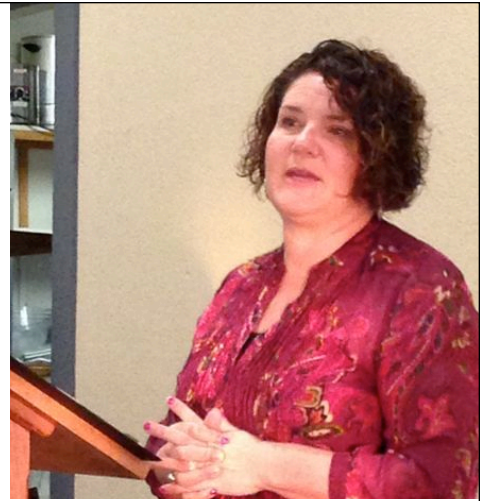
On her way to introduce today's speaker, Molly stops to compliment Dr. Ted on his splendid, new coiffure.



Dave Mason's guest, Don Henry



Student Rotarian, Alyssa De La Rosa



Booster Club President, Kathy Wright

Program

Molly introduces Kathy Wright, 4-year president of RVHS Booster Club. Kathy taught in the River Delta Unified School District for 20 years, and she's been principal of the Isleton Elementary school for 4 years. Kathy's been recruited by a federal agency to help lower performing schools in 3 states, but mainly here in CA. She's observed several of these schools in Stockton during the past 3 years, and some of the things she saw were shocking.

Kathy describes the disparity of funding for Isleton Elementary (\$34,000 budget) and Stockton, where schools have budgets in the millions. When Vicky Turk became principal of RVHS, the school was \$83,000 in debt.

The booster club, with 6 to 8 members, raises funds to help the school provide programs that enhance the students' experiences, there. They hold 3 major fundraisers each year: the fireworks booth makes \$10,000; the Dinner Dance makes \$10,000 and the Test Drive for cars makes \$20 per test ride.

Twenty clubs ask for funding, and away games cost \$1,600 for bussing, so often parents are recruited to provide transportation. Some kids need money just to buy lunches.

Higher success rates occur when students get involved in fundraising. Kids learn that things don't just "appear," at events; there is a cost, setup and coordination to stage fundraisers. Molly and Eddie are prime movers, with Eddie and his dad being chefs these past 30 years, and Jerry Penick preparing Portuguese beans. Jim Mac helps every year. The A. S. B. also lends hands.

Proceeds have provided many improvements, including fans to cool the gym at basketball games.

50/50 raffle

Greg says only 10 marbles will be placed in bag to encourage ticket sales. Edwin's ticket is drawn, but still he picks the wrong marble.

O. M. G...where's the bell?

Greg is unable to properly adjourn the meeting, 'cause the bell's gone! Oh, no! In broad daylight? Greg will doubtless dust it for prints, if he ever finds it.

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Friday, January 15	Stephanie Shaterian, "fLO Content Marketing"	Linda Lannon
Friday, January 22	Ralph Hendrix, "Dogs4Diabetes"	Linda Lannon
Friday, January 29	Disruptive Technology	Dave Greiner
Friday, February 5	T. B A.	Derek "Cub" Abel
Friday, February 12	T. B A.	Gene Resler