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



A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.—GEORGE BERNARD SHAW



Our Program Chair, Hale, speaks on Sheep Dog Trials, while wife, Sue, keeps him in line (sort of).

Guests

Today's speaker, Hale, introduces his wife/supervisor/boss, Sue. Sec. Jim welcomes Jeff Armstrong, Rio Vista's new fire chief, and Lee brings back Patty and Jay Huyssoon for round four. Pres. elect Dan introduces Greg Lucas, who provides a brief history of the Rio Vista Basketball program (which was launched by Greg and Chris Mingay). Their youth program has grown from one team to potentially seven this year. They will need the community's support to offset their many expenses.

Misc. Updates

Hector explains that his tardiness was due, in part, to his returning home after wetting his pants when a squirrel ran in front of his car. Despite his excuses, he spins the wheel and will be required to summarize the bulletin at our next meeting.

All Hail Hale

He says "presidential" prayer.
Best Men's Club

Pres. Kelley circulates the January 2017 edition of the Bay & Delta Yachtsman, which exhibits seven members of Rotary (and a gavel) at a Poppy House lunch. Bill Wells, their contributing editor, writes that his sources suggest Poppy House is "best men's club in the city."

Lorelyn Hechtman, President of Rio Vista Food Pantry, sends thanks for Rotary's \$750 donation.



Al & Julie Hartford are having a great time in Vacaville, and they send us their best! Thank you, Al, for building the Rotary storage box, above, to keep out the Lions!

Dan announces that the Golf meeting was great, and thanks ed. Bob for the revised flyers that have been distributed to the board. Lee reminds members of the April 5 Appreciation Dinner. Betty informs us that five girls will be participating in Camp Royal. And, Dr. Ted, at long last, sets dates for his dictionary program. Ted will be distributing



Chris Galeno and Josie Hamilton give student report.

dictionaries on April 19, and police and fire will be reading to children on the 26th. Let Ted know if you're interested in helping. "Paint the Town Teal" is April 1; Tequila y Más is coming back under the direction of Pres. Elect Dan; and Lee continues his search for someone to lead Hog August Bites.

Absent Celebrant

Dennis Elliott celebrates 1 year of service.

Departing Gift

Before leaving town, Alan Hartford offered to build a storage box for Rotary's belongings. True to his word, he builds a magnificent "Lion-proof box."

Radio Rio Offers Streaming

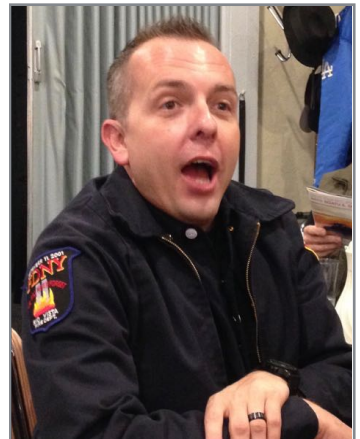
Gordon Whiting drops by to update the Club on



Hi, Kelley! Having fun diving with my buddies in the clear, blue waters of the Pacific. Miss you! The Gavel



Gordon Whiting updates us on Radio Rio.



We meet our new Fire Chief, Jeff Armstrong.

Radio Rio. He is excited to announce they have launched a streaming service—stream.KVRH.org.
Student report

Finals wrap up this week, and their Career Fair is a success. Chris and Josie excitedly announce that they were both accepted to Cal Poly. Chris was also accepted into UC Davis and Josie to UC San Diego. Josie is anxiously awaiting a response from University of Oregon.

Confessions:

Leon and his wife take a 10-day cruise to Mexico on the beautifully refurbished Grand Princess. They enjoy whale watching. Interestingly, they are struck by the advanced age of passengers, and the lack of children. Despite holding the fine-free coin, he donates \$100 to the general fund, and returns the coin for auction after a mere few weeks. Tom quickly snatches the coin for \$30.

Tim announces that they have bought a home in Rancho Murieta and have sold their home in Rio Vista. They will miss Rio Vista, but felt it was time to move closer to their daughter. \$25 is donated to the general fund. They will be missed and are welcome back any time.

Betty and her husband visit Bodega Bay in their motor home. Other than their battery dying, and on-and-off rain the entire weekend, they have a wonderful time. Betty donates \$25 to the dictionary fund.

Wayne stands to explain the Mandela Affect (also known as confabulation), whereby an afflicted individual may have fabricated or distorted memories—as was the case with Gary not remembering the lyrics to “Take Me Out to the Ball Game.” He ponders aloud whether this may be the case with Mr. Krebs, who was christened “John,” but is now “Jack.” He generously donates \$5 to the dictionary fund. *(Wow! Ed.)*

Program

Hale tells us everything we ever wanted to know about sheep dog trials, but were afraid to ask. This year, trials are being held at Al & Jeanie’s McCormack Ranch in the Montezuma Hills, March 31-April 2. By whistling only, handlers direct their dogs to herd sheep over a long, arduous course and into a pen.

50/50 Raffle

Eddie’s ticket is drawn, but not his marble.



Last week, Jon told Gary it’s not “Buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jacks,” it’s, “Cracker Jack!” Today, Gary gives us all boxes of “Cracker Jack.” It must rhyme with “I don’t care if I ever get back. Got it?



COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
March 24, 2017	Skate/Dog Park, Emily Gollinger, Lisa McDowell	Patrick Byron
March 31, 2017	Rio Vista Fire Chief Jeff Armstrong	Dan Schindler
April 5, 2017	Appreciation Night at Montezuma Fire Dep’t.	Lee Williams
April 7, 2017	No Rotary Meeting	(Leon gets off easy)
April 14, 2017	Three Mile Brewing Co., Tony Coito	Hector De La Rosa