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Camp Venture veteran, Mikayla Cobb, is our new Student Rotarian, and fire tamer, Lee Williams, presents program.

## Reportus Interruptus

Joe's wheel spin last week said he must give report on Rotarian magazine. We brace for 20-minute address, but Pres. Jim (*who still has the gavel*) keeps it brief.

## Free brags

Kudos to Greg. The Safety Fair was a huge success! Pres. Jim thanks Ken; his business was very supportive of Soap Box Derby during Hog August Bites!

Ken pays Ted \$20 for catching biggest fish. Ted gives it all to our general fund.

## Other brags (the costly kind)

Gil is 100% moved out of Napa, 50% into Walnut Grove. He gives \$250 to PHF for wife. Sec'y Jim thoughtfully adds if he joins our club we get the credit.

Hector goes tequila tasting in SoCal. He pays \$3 plus bottle of Tequila for club to auction off. Rumor has it the bottle has been kidnapped while under Jim's custody, and the gavel may be demanded as ransom.

Tom challenges Jack to a \$10 bet on this weekend's games, so Jack doubles bet, with proceeds to Rotary.

## Program

Lee updates us on this year's upcoming club activities, proudly displaying his Sgt.-at-Arms shirt for the District Conference at the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino in Reno, Friday, Oct. 31-Sunday, Nov. 2, which closely follows our major Bass Derby fundraisers, the Linguica and the Beer Booths Oct. 10-12.

Gary and Ted say there may be a date conflict for the annual Lions-Rotary Poker Grudge Match, Wed., Nov. 19. Lee won last year's event after pointing out to Lion Ron Jones that former Lions winners were dead, now.

Sat., Nov. 15, is Rotary Day at the races. (See attached flyer.) Signup list next week.

Hector is now organizing club trip to see show in S.F. Several years ago, Pres. Bill Bowen organized club trip to see "Wicked." When Gary and Prudy attended that show, Prudy enjoyed wild ride on wheel chair when Gary inattentively neglected to set brakes, understandably being sidetracked by several lovely Rotarians.

Nov. 1 is the Steak & Prawns Dinner sponsored by the Montezuma Fire Dep't. Last year they raised \$8,500.

Oct. 19 is Annual Rotary Law Enforcement Recognition Dinner at which Officer of the Year is recognized. Our club sponsors a table each year. See Lee if you'd like to attend.

Evelyn was told she's in charge of our Xmas party.

Soap Box Derby is moved up one weekend, this year, to Oct. 4 due to conflict with Bass Festival. Now, Ken gets to relax with less customers two weeks in a row.

Charter Night is Feb. or March. Lee recognizes Hank for longest membership span; he joined our club in 1961, which was 8 years after it was founded.

## 50/50 raffle

Don Benoit misses magic marble...SO SAD!



Save me, Pres. Jim, and I'll relieve all of your sorrows and anguish.

## Invocation, etc.

Jamie bravely steps up to the plate and leads us in prayer. Lee, standing at threshold of lateness, spins wheel and pays \$5 to avoid asking Paula to excuse him.

## Presidential quiz

Wayne wins amazing magnetic retriever/LED.

## Jack is in the house

...and he doesn't hide his elation to be among the living, again. It's really good to see him...cancer free. To celebrate Jack's return, Harvey and Hank also show up... and, it's equally good to see them, as well. Hank brings flag flown over the U. S. Capitol, August 31, honoring his and Judy's 68 year anniversary.

## Congratulations, Hank and Judy...amazing, but true!

## Visitors, guests

Derek presents Jamie Wilson, we welcome Jared Awender, our junior member; Joe presents Ric Frampton from Rio Vista Radiator, and Danny presents daughter, Mikayla Cobb.

## Student Rotarian Report

Mikayla describes RVHS' Volleyball & Football successes, soccer defeats, AFS fundraisers, Don Beno's wonderful 90 minute lecture series with 10 minute breaks, long, leisurely lunches, Delta ASB Spirit Week, weird outfits...**next Friday wear red, white & gold.**

## Sharks say thanks

Pres. Jim reads letter of gratitude from Sharks. For many years, Rotary has purchased trophies for the Rotary Sharks Pentathlon, a fundraiser swim tournament. This year we gave \$1,200.

## Armed Forces Travis Ball

Jim McCracken requests donations for 67th annual Armed Forces Travis Ball, as previous funding sources have diminished. Our Board will consider donation.

## PHF plusses

Hector and Hank are recognized for their generosity, while Greg is recognized for forgetting to take his PHF pin home with him, last week. Greg spins, pays \$2.

## Amazing benchmarks

Hank, B'day (89 Yrs.) & Ann., Jack, B'day, Tom, Ann. (19 Yrs.), Edwin not here.

## Bass Derby Signups

Ted passes around Linguica signup sheet. Eddie and Hale work 2 shifts, each. Gene reports on beer booth.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Friday, September 19	To Be Announced	Chief Greg Bowman
Friday, September 26	City Hall Versus Outdoor Art	Hale Conklin
Friday, October 3	Oakridge Winery Extravaganza	Evelyn Wilson
Friday, October 10	Bass Festival—No Rotary	No one
Friday, October 17	To Be Announced	Lee Williams