



# THE Rio Rotarian

No hay rosa sin espinas.

There is no rose without thorns. ~Mexican proverb



Wild California poppies by the sewer treatment plant

## Welcome

- Jon wakes us up promptly at 7:00 a.m. Jay pledges, Ted prays, and Derek leads U. S. Marine Corp Hymn.

## Visitors and Guests

- We greet today's speaker, PDG Jon Dwyer and Danny's guest, Pocket Powell.

## Treasurer's report

- Charitable fund: \$23,196
- Regular fund: \$8,050

## Celebrations

- Molly has now been a hard-working Rotarian for 8 years.

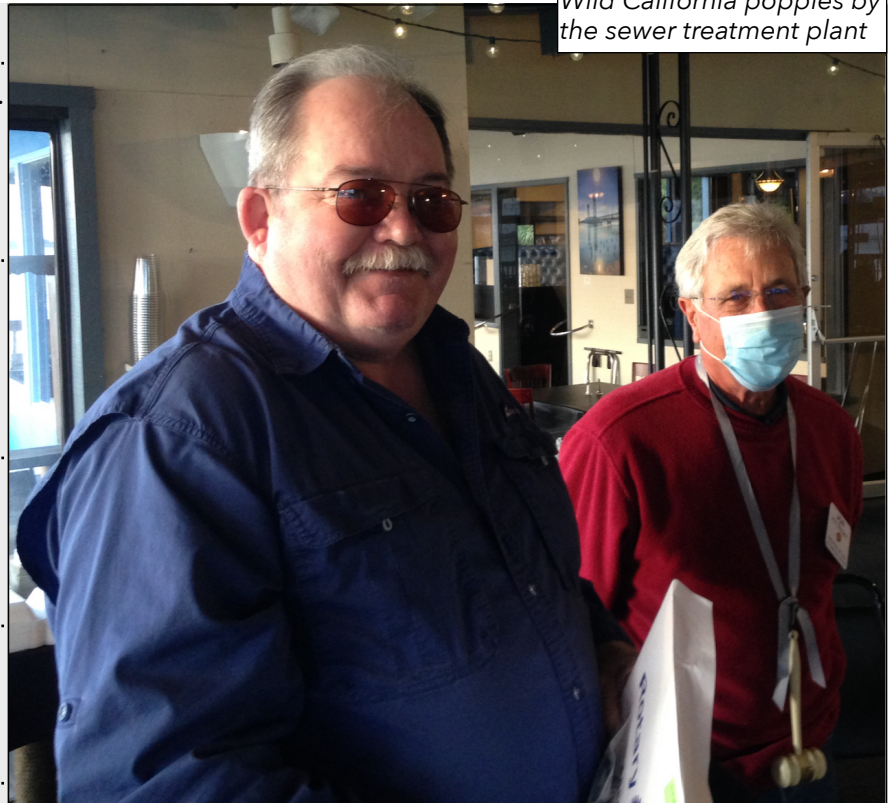
## Announcement

- Following an exchange of nasty-grams, DOJ has acknowledged that Leon did send in the proper forms.

## New Rotary Member

- Pres. Jon inducts Noel O'Brien into our club. Noel was born in Ireland and grew up in New York. He was a navigator in the Navy, stationed in CA. He holds a Masters degree as a therapist. Noel came to Rio Vista 11 years ago and is active in the Veterans Residence Program. He notes that there will be a Ribbon cutting for the new veterans' homes, Jan 28. Jim Lira lauds Noel for his work with our youth.

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Above: Noel O'Brien, left, is welcomed as a full-fledged Rotarian by Pres. Jon Blegen. Note Blegen's creative use of neckwear to preserve sanctity and captivity of elusive gavel.

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Fisher Lyon reports on extramural e-sports competitions with other high school teams. (That means they're goofing around playing video games.)

Jessica Mingay says local 4H had meeting. She notes that Dixon May Fair reps. said that there may be no May Fair this year.

Lacey Myer reports that school is scheduled to re-open on Nov. 16, and masks will be mandatory; but they still hold classes online on Wednesday.

Sam Esperson adds that if students don't want to come back, they will have remote cameras on the teachers.

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## Confessions

- Derek views Circuit of America Race, at Austin TX, last week. He also enjoys music venues, although half were shut down, and he enjoys lots of barbecues. He gives \$100 to Interact.
- Don't bring checks, next week, 'cause Patty won't be here. Derek generously volunteers to take notes for the amazing Rio Rotarian in her absence.
- Jay presents \$50 to Interact 'cause he likes Bob's article in the Beacon touting our club's Chromebooks to Mulegé project. Leon matches the \$50 because he covered sales taxes for the units. Between Leon's and Jay's assistance (Jay covered the exorbitant "mordita" to cross the border) this project would have been considerably underfunded.

## Camp Royal Update

- Molly reports each District 5160 club will be limited to two students, from now on.

## Interact

- Tuck Forbes reviews Weight Room situation at RVHS—it's currently unusable, but hopefully will reopen when classes resume.
- Colin Lira gets a new vehicle, today.
- Kayla Delk reports that students have to get their temperature taken when they go back to school.

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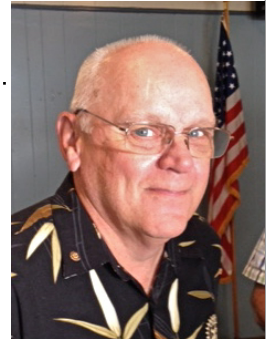
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## Linguiça Booth announcement

The venue has been decided for the Linguiça booth; it will take place at Vets Hall, Dec. 5. A planning meeting will be held this Monday, Nov. 2, at 10:00 a. m.

## Program

Bob introduces our speaker, this morning, PDG Jon Dwyer, who speaks on the District 5160 Grants program. Jon lauds our club's support of Interact. He notes that Rotarians enjoy working as a group for the betterment of everyone, locally and globally. He discusses Rotary's fight to eradicate Polio from the globe, noting that the Bill & Melinda Gates Fdn. gives Rotary free publicity when they match grants. Currently, Polio has been eradicated from all of the world's countries except Afghanistan and Pakistan, where political forces prohibit administration of the vaccine.



Jon Dwyer

Our District's Grants program saw 26 local clubs request \$290K for grants, last year. However, our district was able to award only \$180K. A ten person panel awards grants for education, medical, literacy, food/agriculture and community development. Any club may receive a grant, regardless of how much they have contributed.

Pres. Jon donates \$100 to PHF for granddaughter Elle.



Interact Club members deliver their report. From left: Lacey Myer, Kayla Delk, Sam Esperson, Jessica Mingay, Fisher Lyon, Colin Lira, and Tuck Forbes.

## Marble draw

Jim Lira has the right ticket, but not the right marble.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

DATE	SPEAKER/PROGRAM	CHAIRPERSON
Nov. 13	Robert Cattey, "I" Program	Ken Wudel
Nov. 20	Krishna Abrams, Solano County D. A.	Evelyn Wilson
Nov. 27	No Rotary Meeting—Thanksgiving	Tom Turkey
Dec. 4	Kandace Clatterbaugh, Golf Course Update	Ed Kingen