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14.07.2023

Rotary

Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160



Call the meeting to order: President Serdar opened the 3502. meeting of the Rio Vista Rotary Club and 2. meeting of the Rotary Year 2023-2024. As the program chair of the week Kim led the pledge and the grace. Gene led the Song "America the Beautiful"

Guest Speaker/Speaker: Jorie Forbes - Our "Rotary Youth Exchange Student & Former Interact Club Member
Kimmy Guggemos - Using Social Media

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests of Rotarians: Virginia Thomas - Ron Jones / Jay Forbes - Vicky Turk, Becky Forbes / Tom Donnelly -
Garen Patterson / Edwin Okamura - Kristina Miller (City Manager)

Celebrations/Birthdays: Gene - The birthday of both Janet Blegen and of Jim Lira is July 10th.

Treasurer's Report:

Hector - Large Marble Draw Donation package, \$1,905 with 5 marbles left.

General funds account is low and we have to find ways to raise the general fund. Board wants to encourage members to direct fund to general fund for confessions & donations. Linguica Booth and Hog August Beer Booth funds will go to the general fund.

Committee Reports:

Serdar thanked Tom Donnelly for stepping up for Vocational Services Chair.

Hog August Bites - Patty: Nothing new to report. All volunteers for beer booth will have to possess a RBS Card.

Announcements/Correspondences:

- Minutes of the board meeting:

- Serdar will be in Turkiye from August 9th to September 9th. The past presidents will hold the meetings;
 - On August 11th Edwin Okamura
 - On August 18th Patty Huyssoon
 - On August 25th Jon Blegen
 - On September 8th Tom Donnelly
- Serdar requests our past presidents and the club members to share the data to put them in the "Club's History Book".
- The Charter Night and the Governor Visit will be held on the same evening on Thursday, February 15th.
- Edwin K. will follow the possibility to have our "Christmas Dinner" on December 20th in Lucy's Café.

- Correspondences from District:

- District Dues Invoice will come during the 3rd week of July
- Short Film & Guest Speakers sharing stories from Uman, Ukraine in Davis, [July 15th](#)
- Rotary Means Business, Networking Event by the Diablo View Rotary, [July 18th](#)
- Rotary Night at the Martinez Sturgeon Game to benefit Rota-Care, July 22nd, \$25/ticket.
- Rotary Club of the Delta, Antioch will be hosting it's third annual Cornhole Tournament on August 26th.



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Our Assistant Governor Marleen Maltby: Travis event last term was found to be successful by base. Possibly in August, Travis requested a day for kids. All 9 Clubs in Solano County have agreed to be involved. Rotary will serve hot dogs to the kids of airmen and air women.

Patty is our club's liaison for this event.

Confessions:

Gil LaBrie - Was in Austin Texas for his second oldest granddaughter's wedding. Has the medallion.

John Blegen - Family vacation to Broadway England.

Virginia Thomas - Club confession, Serdar has to pay fine to general fund for Turkish song, no one knew.

Molly Coito - Thanked the club and thanked the Forbes for hosting Lea. Lea made it home safely. Molly received a bank wide award for PPP in "First Northern Bank".

Jim McPherson - Was on Granddaughter's 1st birthday party.

Interact:

Presentation:

Kimmy Guggemos - Social media message about boosting club exposure by "Liking" and "Sharing" the posts on our Facebook page, proposing ideas about having club Instagram to target a younger audience and proposed the idea for a club Nextdoor page.

Lisa shared information of her Nextdoor account and caught the attention of two prospective members.

Before every meeting at 06:55 am Serdar will make a call to open the Club's Facebook page on the phones and like the posts on our page.

After that **"Don't forget to silence the phones during the meeting"!!!!**

Jorie Forbes - "One year in Switzerland"

Our Rotary Youth Exchange Student and former Interact Club member Jorie was in Switzerland last year. Shared fabulous pictures from her adventures in Switzerland. First week in Geneva. Went with rotary to language camp. Learned French. Passed B2 level in French.

Started school, took 2-3 months for Swiss students to warm up to her.

Always put host families first over friends. But still spent a lot of time with friends.

Traveled a lot by train. Rotary gave her year pass on all trains in Switzerland. Visited almost all of Switzerland. Went to Italian Island Sardinia with host family.

Skiing with second host family 4 days 6-8 hours a day. Host dad was a ski instructor.

Got accepted to "EHL, Hospitality Business School in Lausanne" and will be attending in February 2024.





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Next week's Program:

- Patty will recap the year 2022-2023

Marble Draw for Donations:

Ticket draw was Jay. Only 5 marbles left. He drew the lucky black marble. Donate his portion to the club.

Thank you Jay!!!