



THE Rio Rotarian

"Television may insult your intelligence, but nothing rubs it in like a computer." ~a Great Truism



Wild California Poppies

Welcome

- The meetings starts with the usual formalities of pledge and prayer.

Visiting Rotarian

- Once again, Gary presents Billy Frazier from MDRR. Welcome, Billy!

Treasurer's report

- Leon notes we have \$11,407 in Checking and \$31,438 in Charitable for a total of \$42,845 plus CD's.

Celebrations

- Robert Cattey—birthday on 19th
- Edwin O's wife Vera—birthday on 18th

Correspondence

- Leon will receive one more figure from Jay & Patty and send it to DOJ, today. It will arrive Monday, and then, we'll be done!

Confessions

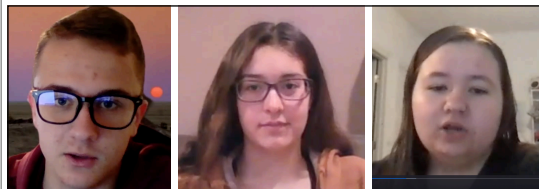
- Jon had second COVID19 shot, yesterday. All went smoothly, with very minor side effects, so he gives \$25 to Interact. Bob was definitely NOT going to confess, but he felt so guilty by Jon's generosity, that he melted down, confessed to the same sin, and coughed up another \$25 for Interact. (*Oh, well, it's a good cause. Thanks, Jon...heh, heh.*) Gary notes he's had his first dose, also of the Moderna vaccine.

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Committee reports

- Tom Donnelly is hard at work on the Scholarship Committee. He received feedback from committee members regarding the entry form. He'll remind last year's winners to send in their proof of enrollment in their second semesters before the second half of their awards are delivered.
- Edwin has been working with Patty on setting up this year's golf tourney. Also, Julie Griffin redesigned the brochure, and Ed Kingen sent out letters soliciting donors. There will be a socially distanced golf tournament committee meeting with pizza at the Poppy House this Wed. at 6:00 or 6:30p.m.
- Molly says that there will be no Camp Royal interviews, this year. The new application forms will include questions that were previously covered by the interviews.

Interact reports



Fisher Lyon Sophia Saldana Lacee Myer

- Fisher updates us on RVHS Swim Team—Monday is first day of practice.
- Laycee reports that Mrs. Turk says

classes open again in 2 weeks. Board voted to have spring sports.

Unfinished business

- Jon notified Linda Katsuki that we'd like to resume meeting at the Point, Friday, March 5, under same terms and conditions as our previous meetings. She said that's okay.
- Jon says Leon will continue on as Sec'y. when we start meeting at the Point.
- Jon reports Linguica Booth is tentatively planned for May.
- Noel reports vets are pleased with new TV we gave them,

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and the plaque that Derek ordered is mounted on the wall. (See photos in column at right.) He then updates us on his search for more vets who might be a good fit to live in our community.

Oops...one more fine

- Bob almost escapes without paying a fine for his birthday, tomorrow. His conscience gets the better of him, and he gives \$25 to the Harvey Felt Scholarship Fund. After the meeting, he proudly tells Marian of his generosity, to which she replies, "Well, did you also pay for our anniversary the day after tomorrow?" You just can't win for losing in this world...

New business

- Tom asks Noel how to buy tickets to get our linguça and bucket of beans. Noel says go to Vet's Hall between 11-1:00 M-Th to buy tickets.

And now we present..."Charter Morning"

Every February since our club received its charter and held its very first meeting, Feb. 13, 1953, we have held a "Charter Night" program sometime during the month of February. Unwilling to let a little thing like a pandemic spoil this perfect record, your favorite bulletin editor inadvisably volunteers to create a program of nostalgia, spanning the period from our club's inception to the present.

So, he foolishly assembles a side show, having absolutely no idea or experience of how to do it. *(Before passing away, Hank Tussy gave me a substantially large cache of photos and articles of historic interest...well, at least it's interesting if you're an old fart long-time member of our club... which I am.)*

What a job it turned out to be! I added a few of

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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New residents in vet's home appreciate their new TV as they point to commemorative plaque from our club.



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my own artifacts and laid them out on our dining room table. They didn't nearly fit, so I piled one on top of the other and created a slide show... with no idea of how I was gonna show it.

I culled out the marginal stuff and tried to put the rest in chronological order. Then I scanned all of that crap and loaded it into my computer. I ended up with a slide show of 303.8 MB. (A typical *Rio Rotarian* makes a file of 1 to 5 MB.)

Anyway, I was petty pleased with myself when I finished this week-long pursuit into the past, fearing the whole time that it would flop because I didn't know what the heck I was doing.

With Leon's kind help and patience we were actually able to take a trip into Rotary nostalgia and celebrate our club's history unlike any Charter Night before. We started with a photo of the original 27 charter members standing against the walls of the old American Legion Hall on the corner of 3rd and California St., where over 400 persons were gathered, and we ended up with Rotary Day at the Races, November 19, 2016.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

DATE	SPEAKER/PROGRAM	CHAIRPERSON
Feb 26	"I" Program	Tom Kelly
March 5	Michael Casdia "V. A. Health Admin. Telehealth Program"	Gene Resler
March 12	T. B. A.	Anthony Wong
March 19	T. B. A.	Jim McPherson