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# THE RIO ROTARIAN

01.12.2024

**Rotary**



Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160

**Call the meeting to Order:** President Serdar opened the Rio Vista Rotary Club's 3523. and the Term's 23. meeting for "Creating Hope in the World"

As week's program chair, Gil LaBrie led the pledge and the Rotary Grace. Gene Resler led us by "Old auld lang song"

**Guest Speaker/Speaker of the Day:** Gil LaBrie, Jeremiah Peek

**Visiting Rotarians:**

**Guest of Rotarians:** Nancy Vielhauer- Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services in River Delta Unified School District

**Celebrations/Birthdays:**

Birthday of Lisa Duke is January 16th.

Virginia and Derek shared a couple jokes with us.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Hector displayed his sushi home night and proposed Virginia as treasurer elect, the club unanimously accepted. Virginia accepted too!

**Committee Reports:**

- Edwin Okamura gave a brief update on our plan to invite the Executive Director of Travis Air Force Base to Rio Vista and make his presentation at the Veterans Hall open to all Rio Vista residents. Probably it will take place on March 27th.
- Patty discussed Travis Champions Tente participation and we probably won't do it.
- Molly discussed the updates and progress on Camp Royal.

**Confessions:**

Jon confessed to a nice round of golf and is fine free because of his 100% attendance in the last quarter.



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## **Announcements/Correspondences:**

- We have a Golf Committee meeting after our regular meeting.
- Molly Coito as Clarence Isadore sponsor is fine free for January and February.

## **New Member Initiation:**

Ed Kingen as Membership Chair introduced and welcomed Clarence Isadore to the club.

After Serdar's announcement as;

"The board and the Club approved the proposal from Molly Coito.

Today we are honored to induct Clarence Isadore as a new member into Rio Vista Rotary Club"

Molly red his brief history, life work and accreditations. Very impressive history in education and is now Rio Vista High School Principal. A score for this great little town.

Clarence got up and red the "Oath of membership". Serdar pinned the Rotary pin and welcomed him into our club.

Clarence emphasized that he was especially pleased to be in an environment where he could be with his students and thanked to the club.



## **Interact:**

The Interact Club gave us some updates: back to school! They talked about the break and what they are up to.

Congratulations to Forrest and Naj. Forrest was sworn in to the Planning Commission and Naj to the Airport Commission of the City of Rio Vista as Youth Commissioners.



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### I-Program of the Week's Program Chair:

Gil LaBrie gave a short I-program. He had two majors at CalTech 50 years ago. Engineering and Architecture. He announced himself as an architect engineer.

### Program:

Gil LaBrie introduced Jeremiah Leek, the lead engineer for the "Large Erosion Repair Project on the Sacramento River" at his engineering firm. Jeremiah assisted him with the presentation. Gil talked about the levee repair, reconstruction, habitat creation and maintenance work they have done.

It took him 10 years to get all the permits to start the project. One of the biggest challenges is that he is only allowed to work on the river three months a year; August, September and October.

The main part of the presentation is based on the project on Brannan Island between Isleton and Rio Vista. Interesting project with the bags placed in the levee, the riparian portion of the project to the 143,000 tons of rock placed on the levee. Biological studies, permitting. Erosion prevention tactics, tidal and water treatment. A huge and important project. Good luck, Gil!





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**Next Week's Program:**

Edwin Kingen - Fish&Game

**Marble Draw for Donations:**

Hector De La Rosa had the right ticket again, but unfortunately kept pulling the wrong marble!

**D-5160 District Governor Claire Roberts - Team 5160 Governor's Digest:**

**Register now for January 27th from 8:30am-12pm to attend District 5160 2024 Grants/Foundation Training Day!**

Please Note: each club that wants to apply for a District Grant in 2024-2025 needs at least one person in attendance; and it is strongly encouraged that the person who will be completing the grant and the President-Elect attend the training.

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Register for the **Field of Dreams District Conference, April 26-28, 2024, Holiday Inn-Downtown Sacramento Arena**. For more information and to register for the District Conference, go to: <https://conference.rotary5160.org/>. Or please refer to your personalized email dated 12/18/23.

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Save the Dates for our **District 5160 Assembly!** March 23, 2024 for the South, Fairfield