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Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160

-SPECIAL EDITION-

Governor Visit & Charter Night of our Club

Board meeting with District Governor's Participation: District Governor Claire Roberts, Past District Governor - District Rotary Foundation Chair Mark Roberts and Assistant Governor Marleen Maltby were with us. Claire asked about the challenges we are facing and emphasized that she stands ready to help. The board members informed her about our Interact Club, fund raising efforts and planned projects.

Call the meeting to Order: President Serdar opened the Rio Vista Rotary Club's 3528. and the Term's 28. meeting for "Creating Hope in the World" and led the pledge following his style of grace. He also wished the Rotary Club of Rio Vista a happy birthday and congratulated the club on 71 years of service to the community and the world. Garen Patterson led us at "You are my Sunshine".

Guest Speaker/Speaker of the Day: DG Claire Roberts

Visiting Rotarians: PDG Mark Roberts, AG Marleen Maltby

Guest of Rotarians: Lee Williams - Paula Williams, Hector De La Rosa - Stefanie De La Rosa, Molly Coito - Tony Coito, Edwin Okamura - Vera Sunada, Eddie Woodruff - Betsy Woodruff, Bob Bard - Marian Bard, Serdar Gurel - Hande Gurel

Celebrations/Birthdays:

- Birthday of Beverly Bowman is February 16th, Robert Cattey and Noel O'Brien is February 19th and Bob Bard is February 20th.
- Edwin Okamura's wife Ver Sunada's birthday is February 18th.
- Wedding anniversary of Bob and Marian Bard@s is February 21. (53 years!)



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Governor's Presentation:

Claire Roberts introduced the district leadership team, which is ready to provide guidance and support to clubs and Rotarians throughout the district. She shared information about the new district website, the Yellow Pages Project, which will allow Rotarians to share their expertise, and working with neighboring districts on projects related to Rotary International President Gordon McInally's Mental Health Vision.

She invited members to attend the **District Conference**, "Field of Dreams District Conference, 26-28 April 2024, Holiday Inn-Downtown Sacramento Arena" and the District Assembly on 23 March 2024 in Fairfield.

She honored Bob Bard as "Most Inspirational Rotarian - the club member who has consistently provided the enthusiasm to move our club into the future" and, in his absence, announced Bill Fraser as "Rookie of the Year, a newer member who has jumped right in to support and organize club activities.





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Assistant Governor's program:

Marleen Maltby presented PolioPlus Society membership certificates, pins, and bracelets.

Interact:

Our Interact club president, Forrest Drury, vice president, Sherley Guerra, and club member, Naj Asad, honored our charter night.





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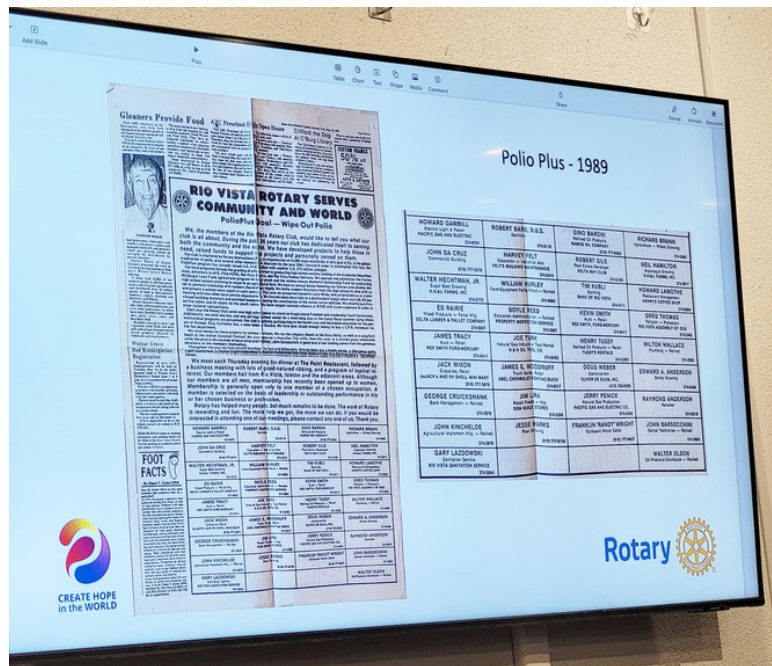
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Snapshots from our Club History:

Serdar made a PowerPoint presentation with scanned photos of Rio Rotarians, notes, and photos from Bob Bard's archives.



Next Week's Program:

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

Camp Royal is set for August 25-31, 2024!

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.

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

Camp Venture 2024, June 19-23 at St. Mary's College, Moraga, CA