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Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160



Call the meeting to order: Serdar opened the Rio Vista Rotary Club's 3530. and the Term's 30. meeting. Week's program chair Vicky Turk led the pledge and the grace. Jim McPherson led us in "Take me out to the ball game"

Guest Speaker/Speaker: Officer Santiago Ventura, School Resource Officer in the River Delta Unified School District

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests of Rotarians: Vicky Turk - Officer Connord Hamilton (RVPD)

Celebrations/Birthdays:

Treasurer's Report:

Hector - Hector gave a brief treasurer's report. He also reminded everyone of the Rotary and Lions Club "Annual Family Poker Night" on April 11. The pot on "Marble Draw for Donation" is increasing.

- Of behalf of the Assistant Governor Marleen Maltby, Serdar thanked Jay Forbes as a PolioPlus Society member for their continued contribution over the past year and presented him their membership certificates.
- Serdar gave Mark Kobold his Club Badge.



Committee Reports:

- Patty Huyssoon - She discussed the upcoming Golf Tournament, May 17th and asked about volunteers for serving at the VIP Tent in the upcoming Travis AFB Air Show March 17th. She also brought up demotion and getting the event prepared.
- Tom Donnelly discussed the scholarship meeting at the High School and our Rotary Clubs scholarships. On March 16th, he is helping with the corn beef and cabbage party.



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Edwin Okamura - The advertising campaign for our program with the Executive Director of Travis Air Force Base began. He showed the flyer he has prepared. This flyer will be advertised twice in the Beacon. He asked Lisa Duke to share it with our golf tournament flyer in Nextdoor. This flyer is also on our Facebook page.

Rio Vista Rotary Speaker Series

Travis Air Force Base:
Local, Regional & Global Impact

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
6:00 - 8:30 PM



Joseph Dingman
Executive Director
Travis Air Force Base

Please join Rio Vista Rotary for an evening with Joseph Dingman, the senior civilian leader to the commander on vital civic and military issues affecting the largest Air Mobility Command. In his capacity, he directs 24 wing agencies at Travis Air Force Base (TAFB).

Anyone interested in learning more about the **largest economic driver in Solano County will not want to miss this program.** How will California Forever impact operations? What is TAFB's economic impact on the region? What is the future of the Base? What is the global importance of TAFB?

Military, and civilians alike will be amazed by the role TAFB plays in our region and globally.

Veterans Memorial Building
610 St. Francis Way, Rio Vista
FREE ADMISSION



Gil is at PETS (Presidents-Elect Training Seminar) this weekend to prepare for his future presidency.

His poster for the hospitality room in PETS.

Gil and his Hat

GIL LABRIE
Architect - Engineer

Those were the days

Lobster Fishers in Alaska (with his sons)

Master of the Delta

When he was in Walnut Grove Rotary (Club's 50th Year Celebration)

Design of a partial levee on the Sacramento River

Gil's Delta
Sunset on Sacramento River

Dictator King of the Rio Vista Rotary Club IN 2024-2025
(Our king wears his famous Hat instead of a Crown)



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Announcements/Correspondences:

- Jimmy Mac auctioned off the medallion for a fine free month of March, Hector gets it.
- Serdar read a thank you note from Virginia, thanking the club for her get well card.
- Serdar informed Mark Kobold that he will be the program chair for the week of April 12.
- Bob Bard talked about getting matching grants from our district to get more supplies for our relationship with the Mulege Club. He discussed their fundraiser with piglet races. He will talk with them to see what their needs are and what we should apply for.

Confessions:

Jay Forbes confessed to his trip to Switzerland where he took Jorie to college.

Interact:

9 students joined us today and they gave us an update:

They gave us a presentation about what's going on and discussed college applications and getting into the colleges of their dreams. AFS students talked about their high school exchange program with Winebot, Michigan, the Model UN conference, raising money to attend the event, and the debate club for their host country.





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Week's Program Chair I-Program:

Serdar introduced Vicky to present her quick I-Program, discussed her career in education. Lee brings up a few compliments to Vicki, esteemed honors from the education system.

Program:

Vicky then introduced Officer Santiago Ventura, School Resource Officer in the River Delta Unified School District, and emphasized what Santiago does for the community.

Santiago Ventura talked about his childhood; born in Guadalajara, moved to Mountain View, graduated 2nd in his class in high school. Then, at 17, he enlisted in the Marine Corp. He served an extended tour in the Middle East. After his Marine Corp days, he briefly enrolled in college, then went to the Napa Police Academy. He found it difficult to get on the force because not many cities were hiring. Eventually found his way to the Sheriff's Department, he jumped at the chance to join our school system to help with the students. He became a community service officer. He then discussed the biggest issues with kids and his number one issue that we can help with which is social media. He discusses the cases and how bad social media has really become. Our students seem to be more resilient than other communities. He talked about his daily routine and took questions from the members. It was a great presentation and a blessing to our fellowship.



Next week's Program:

Model UN - RVHS Teacher Ak Smith and Forrest Drury.

Marble Draw for Donations:

In the new pot Vicky Turk had the lucky number but the wrong marble.



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DG Claire Roberts - Team 5160 Governor's Digest:

**District 5160 Conference
Friday, April 26-28, 2024
Holiday Inn-Downtown Sacramento Arena**

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District 5160 Assembly! March 23, 2024 Rodriguez High School, Fairfield

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Rotary Basics 101 Online for New Members of two or fewer years!

This is a special learning experience and an opportunity to learn together. Registration opens February 19th.

Learning runs from March 4th-25th.

Use the link to enroll: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjQ2NjgwMjl0ODI0?cjc=4hr3yd7>