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THE RIO ROTARIAN

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Rotary



Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160

Call to open the Facebook Page: At 06:55 am President Serdar calls for opening the "Rio Vista Rotary" Facebook page on our phones and requests "likes" on Kim's post about our today's meeting.

Call the meeting to order: At 07:00 am President Serdar opened the Rio Vista Rotary Club's 3504. and the Term's 4. meeting for creating hope in the world. As the program chair of the week Tom D. led the pledge and the grace. Gene led the Song "The Gambler"

Guest Speaker/Speaker: Garen Patterson, Tom Donnelly

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests of Rotarians: Jay Forbes - Vicky Turk / Edwin Kingen - Dave Bastida (Will help with audio/video solution)

Celebrations/Birthdays: Gene - The birthday of Marian Bard is July 24th and Gil LaBrie's August 1st.

Treasurer's Report:

Hector - Marble Draw Donation Package \$195. Sent approved budget out to members.

Monthly Treasurer Report: For the month of July, a total of \$4,315 has been spent from the General Fund. The expenditures include payments to District 5160 and Rotary International for member dues, website hosting fees, breakfast meals, and a gift for the outgoing President. The July billing invoices will reflect each members share of their dues. In the Charitable Fund, a total of \$500 was expended for participation in the India Sanitation Project. No income has been reported for July pending the mailing of invoices.

Committee Reports:

Jay Forbes- Rotary International wants to get together with another service club. Get together September 23rd with Lions Club for the "Coastal Clean-up Day".

Lee - Poker night. Final table two Rotarians. Got down to two lions, one Rotarian. Lee won the tournament!

Bob Bard - The first article of the series titled "**Rio Vista Rotary and the History of Rotary**" that will span a total of 15 weeks has been published in the Beacon. It was a hit! Bob shared some words of wisdom related to the article. Articles are about what Rotary is and who we are.

Patty - Hot August Bites August 26th, RBS, no longer need for all persons in the booth. Travis Air Force Base School Day August 5th. 8 members have reported that they will attend.

Bill F. - No new Polio update.

Ed Kingen - Membership - Garen Patterson is now officially a Rotary Member.



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Induction Ceremony for Garen Patterson:

Serdar calls Garen's sponsor Tom Donnelly to give a brief bio of him. After a brief introduction of Tom, Serdar called Garen and asked him to read the "Oath of Membership".

On behalf of the Club and the RI declared him as a member of the Rio Vista Rotary Club. Present him the Rotary Pin, the certificate of membership, Club's banner and the book "Rotary Basics".

Garen gave a speech introducing himself and expressed his gratitude to the club;

He was a Rotary member in Sonoma for 15 years. After his wife's recent passing, he decided to rejoin Rotary. Born and raised in CA. Father was a San Francisco Architect and his Mother did everything else. Garen started drawing from a small age. Attended Panensola School in Menlo park. High school he completed in Track/Field and participated in Theatre. Attended Cal Berkley in the 1960's. He is fluent in Spanish.

Married Diane. Started his own business at age 21. Lasted for 50 years and sold it to an employee 2 years ago. Started singing and got involved with community theatre. He was also the Chamber on Commerce president for City of Sonoma while Rotary President.

Studied Solo performances in SF. Designed Folk Operas. Played as many of 30 characters in these skits. Moved to Rio Vista, 5 years ago with his wife. Garen still lives in his beautiful three story home he purchased with his wife.

Garen still does commission paintings in his spare time.

- Patty reminded that Garen had donated two paintings for our last golf tournament. He also donated two of his paintings to the Rio Vista Foundation, one of which Lea took to Austria.

Patty our dear Past President!

Serdar expressed our gratitude to our past president Patty by presenting a gavel mounted wooden plaque of appreciation for her services. Thank you Patty!

Announcements/Correspondences:

- Lee - He will fill out the necessary forms for the governor candidacy application.
- Edwin - A Science fiction book "Gray Universe" by our dear former member and secretary Leon Guzenda. Will be auctioned off with an autograph.
- Edwin - Got a card for Evelyn to send to her and her husband for good wishes. Her husband has also experienced some health issues. Wants to donate money to Sam's to send meals to them for two months of food. Many members announced that they would provide this idea.





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The first article of the series titled "Rio Vista Rotary and the History of Rotary" published in Beacon this week.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH "BEACON" for your kind support!!!

Rio Vista Beacon July 26, 2023

Rio Vista Rotary and the History of Rotary

This is one of four articles that the Rio Vista Rotary would like to share with the community.



What is ROTARY?

Rotary is a global network of more than 1.4 million people of action in more than 46,000 clubs who share a passion for and commitment to enhancing communities and improving lives around the world. Rotary and Rotaract clubs exist in almost every country. Our members change lives locally and connect with other clubs to work on international projects that address today's most pressing challenges. They take action and make a difference, and it brings them personal rewards and lifelong friendships in the process.

The name Rotary was selected by early members because meeting locations rotated among their offices.

The History of ROTARY

Rotary has been making history and bringing our world closer together for over 100 years. The first Rotary club was started in Chicago, Illinois, USA, in 1905 by an attorney named Paul Harris. Harris wanted to bring together a group of professionals with different backgrounds and skills as a way to exchange ideas and form meaningful acquaintances. The first Rotary club met in Chicago, Illinois, USA, on 23 February 1905. In August 1910, the 16 Rotary clubs then in the United States formed the National Association of Rotary Clubs, now Rotary International. In 1912, Rotary expanded to a few more countries, and less than a decade later, Rotary clubs had been established in Africa, Asia, Central America, Europe, Oceania, and South America. Rotaract began as a Rotary youth program in 1968. In 2019, Rotaract clubs were elevated from a program to a distinct membership type. Today, there are more than 36,000 Rotary clubs and 10,000 Rotaract clubs, and they are in almost every country in the world. For more information about Rotary's history, go to www.rotary.org/history

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Confessions:

Gil LaBrie- Donated \$100 to general fund for his birthday. Oh wow! He won't pay because he has the medallion.

The medallion:

After the competition, Robert Cattey earned the medallion by winning the auction. He will be carrying the medallion during the entire duration of the month of August.

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Presentation:

Tom Donnelly - As an I-Program he shared some of his own recent appealing and pleasing design projects.

Next week's Program:

Western Railroad Museum; Katrina Gomez - Marketing and Events Manager, Isaias Perez - Membership and Business manager

Marble Draw for Donations:

Edwin Kingen pulled a clear marble. So sad!

Announcement from our AG Marleen Maltby:

"Hi Marleen,

Cordelia Rotary club is going to have a fantastic speaker on August 9th and we want to invite the local clubs to join us. Would you mind sharing the attached with the North Solano Clubs? Fun meeting, good speaker and free continental breakfast. What more can you ask? LOL I would appreciate it. Thanks.

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Please Join the Rotary Club of Cordelia for a Special Guest
Wednesday, August 9th 7:30 am
Courtyard by Marriott
Fairfield, CA



"Paul Kalemkarian drinks on the job..."

Paul K. Jr has tasted over 100,000 wines in his career not as a Sommelier but as a wine merchant searching for the best values he could find. In 1988, he purchased the Original Wine of the Month Club from his father that started him on a 35 year journey through not only the nuances of wine but the complications of the adult beverage industry. Paul Jr recently sold the WOMC with the help of your very own Carol Collison and is focusing his time on his podcast Wine Talks with Paul K (www.winetalkspodcast.com) and pitching a new TV show (www.womclub.com/grapevine).

He will be telling us about his journey through the wine industry as not only a romantic enthusiast but as a business man as well. He will be happy to answer any questions you might have on virtually any aspect of the trade.

Join Paul for a sarcastic, opinioned and truthful look at wine.

For more information contact Carol Collison (ccollison@globalwinebank.com).