



THE Rio Rotarian

"My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government."

~ Thomas Jefferson



Wild California poppies by the sewer treatment plant



Photo: Derek Abel

Above: We meet for breakfast out in the open air Garden Room overlooking the Sacramento River at the Point Restaurant, and welcome our District 5160 Governor, Mark Roberts, who discusses his visions of Rotary.

Welcome

- Pres. Jon opens, Danny pledges, Hector prays, and J. Mac sings with us to "America the Beautiful."

Visitors and guests

- We welcome our District Governor, Mark Roberts, then Hector greets daughter, Alyssa; Ted presents Walt Manos, Cub welcomes Dan Whaley and Anthony Wong, and Lee welcomes Robert Cattey.

Treasurer's report

- Charitable Fund: \$30,690
- Regular Fund: \$8,712
- CD's: \$52,902
- Total Assets: \$92,304

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that if Jon had only visited the Mexican Room, he'd have been offered tequila and felt a lot better. Jon pays \$50 for his mistake.

Interact

- Tuck Forbes notes that Solano County corona virus cases have dropped to the red level, and some classes may be resumed, soon, on a hybrid schedule. Kayla Delk mentions that Senior elections will be virtual (on-line). Fisher Lyon reports that Cross-Country practice has started. Jessica Mingay reports Volleyball practices also started. Sam Es-person has no more to add, today...maybe next time.

Announcements

- Danny just returned from a 31 day strike team enduro in the

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Above: Mark and Pres. Jon enjoy breakfast with correct social distancing.

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Celebrations

- Member anniversary: Evelyn Wilson—19 years with Rotary.
- Patty mentions that Jay crossed the border with the Chromebooks, yesterday! (Thank you, San Diego and Tijuana Rotarians, for your help!)

Announcements

- Pres. Jon notes that Travis Credit Union will match our club's \$1,000 donation to Rio Vista CARE.
- We receive thank you letter from Patty DuBois for our donation due to their recent loss.

Confessions

- Jim Lira visited Fort Bragg, where he saw many locals. He pays \$50 to Interact Club.
- Patty allows herself to be re-elected to the Fire Board for another 4 long years, so to atone for this honor, she donates \$20 to Interact.
- Ken visits family in Maryland, where he experiences eerie feelings viewing battlefields.
- Cub visits San Diego for bachelor party. He had so much fun he fines himself \$50.
- Lee brought party pooper Jon's poster from PETS because Jon didn't feel up to attending the raucous event, or he could have retrieved his own poster. Hector thoughtfully says

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Interact members, from left: Fisher Lyon, Jessica Mingay, Sam Esperson, Kala Delk, and Tuck Forbes. Pictured on computer screen is Lacey Meyer attending meeting electronically.



We greet former Interact member & UCSB grad Alyssa De La Rosa.

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Monterey area, so he's coming back off his leave of absence. He discusses causes of fires, and donates \$50 to Interact. Welcome back, Danny!

- Walt Manos asks our club for funds to promote Measure J, a bond issue that raises \$45M for our local school district.
- Edwin O says RioVision will host informational program for Measures O & J. Jim Lira gave a \$200 donation.



Our visitors are always welcome to join us for breakfast and fellowship. Hopefully, it won't be too long before they become Rotarians. Pictured above from left: Robert Cattey, Dan Whaley, Anthony Wong, and Walt Manos.

- We have 3 new member proposals, and the 10 day waiting period will expire Tuesday.
- Only five of us will attend the Adam Kinser Golf Tourney, Oct. 9, so our Rotary meeting will not be cancelled, that day.

Program—Mark Roberts, Governor, District 5160

- Mark thanks Lee for his service as Assistant D. G. He then lauds our Interact program, suggesting it could be a model for all clubs. *Today's Interact members could be tomorrow's Rotarians...Ed.* Mark notes that club members are our most important assets (like customers,) but memberships are dropping; Dist. 5160 is down 100 this year. He says Interact

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gives students great opportunities, and touts the concept of a virtual "Rotoract Club."

Mark proudly announces that next year we'll install our first R. I. lady president. He asks that we reach out to people so they know what Rotary is all about, helping our communities and sharing values. He doesn't see the image of Rotary as "an old white man's club."

October 3 will mark our first virtual District Seminar on Zoom. Currently, 80% of clubs meet on Zoom, presenting information and holding virtual fundraisers. There will be a Rotary Day of Golf in Antioch.

This year's District Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Sacramento, April 30, with the theme, "All Aboard." *(cont'd. on right)*

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Former Interact member, Alyssa De La Rosa, is still attending meetings after graduation from UCSB.

Leon asks for help from Mark to work with R. I. national headquarters to reconcile PHF donation records with local data in order to correctly recognize local donors' actual contributions. Until these problems are identified and corrected, potential PHF donors may continue to be discouraged.

Pres. Jon presents Mark with gorgeous Rio Vista Drug Store gift basket.

Marble draw

Cub is the lucky holder of the winning ticket; too bad he was unable to select the proper marble.

(This is actually the end!)