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"Having fun
helping others...
watering the
rosebuds"
—DR. TED SCHULZ



A Beautiful Morning Interrupted

Eddie stumbles into the meeting late, interrupting a nearly flawless rendition of "A Beautiful Morning," but obediently spins the wheel.

Golf Tournament Report

Dan reports they met Wednesday, and they simply need more golfers. Interested parties should visit our website to download the registration form.

TIPS Training

Gene informs us there will be a training on Saturday. Pres. Kelley thanks Gene and emphasizes that we'll need volunteers for Hog August Bites and Bass Derby beer booths; so now is the time to get certified.

Area Assembly May 6

Dan suggests that new board members should attend the Vacaville assembly. It's 3 hours and begins at 8:30 a.m. He'd love for other members to join Patrick and himself, who will be attending.

Scholarships

Back in the swing of things after his island holiday, Tom reports that scholarships are going "just fine." At the next board meeting we'll decide how many scholarships will be given. Applications are due May 1.

Birthdays

Sec. McCracken reveals that Ted Schultz celebrated his birthday yesterday. Memorializing the untimely passing of Rio Vista Rotarian, Sherry Gardiner, Jimmy Mac stands and announces that today is her birthday.

Dictionaries Delivered!

Ted reports that Bob's help was invaluable this past Wednesday when the two of them handed out dictionaries. Bob is praised for his stellar efforts.

Ted notes that members will begin receiving thank you cards from 4th graders soon, and suggests we save any "good" ones to read at a future meeting.

Student reports

Josie proclaims that prom is tomorrow with



Head table displays our brand new international flag set.

over 140 kids attending. Students report that academic awards are scheduled for May 3. Parents met this past Friday and Wednesday to discuss seniors' timeline, with only 4.5 weeks of classes remaining. In sports,

baseball is 11 and 10; the swim team will host senior night on Monday; and golf is off until the 28th. Sec. Jim suggests that students invite Juniors to attend Rotary. Despite the Beno in attendance, Jim Mac asks the students when Senior Ditch Day is—students prudently agree that they will not be partaking. June 2 is their last day.

Confessions

Don Beno proudly announces that his middle son, after dating his fiancée for 8 years, got married on Saturday with family from around the country attending. Don donates \$100 to his wife's Paul Harris.

Hector pre-confesses that he is on vacation and will be heading across our southern border later today. He will have a report later, but does provide a heads-up that

he will be protesting the "wall."

Program

Our resident technology expert, Leon Guzenda, speaks for the Rio Vista Internet Improvement Coalition, whose goal is to help bring faster, more reliable, and affordable Internet service here. He describes the many benefits of the Internet, which has become a necessary and useful adjunct



Leon Guzenda speaks on R. V. Internet Improvement Coalition.

to of all facets of modern life.

The internet permits surgeons to robotically perform life-saving operations on the other side of the world, and it permits technicians to remotely control 3-D printers that fabricating spare parts for military equipment overseas. We surf the Internet at home, and use it to stream movies, watch TV, enjoy music, enable security devices

for our homes, as well as share messages, photos, and videos from our computers and devices.

Leon goes on to explain that our town is sorely lacking, however, in the capacity of our local infrastructure to transmit electronic data a speed that is adequate to keep up with the demand. He says that we are paying for, yet not receiving adequate band width to get the job done when the de-



Interact members from left: Eric Galeno, Chris Galeno, Susanne Johnson, and Josie Hamilton.

mand is high. Residents of other cities our size receive better service for less money...our Internet speed is lousy, and we're being overcharged. Lee backs up his claims with charts and graphs comparing service and rates of the local providers.

50/50 Raffle

We have a winner! Gene actually draws the right marble.

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Wednesday, April 26, 2017	First Responders Teach Dictionary Skills to School Kids	Ted Schulz
April 28, 2017	Titchenal: State of Jefferson	Dave Mason
May 5, 2017	Montezuma Fire Chief Ron Glantz	Betty Davis
May 10, 2017	Rotary Golf Tournament	Danny Schindler
May 12, 2017	No Meeting	(We're dark.)