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Bob Bard, Ed.

Call to order

Pinch hitting for Pres. Gene, Cub recounts Irish story with authentic brogue and we all enjoy it (really.)

We observe a moment of silence for Billy Dole.

Guests

Beverly presents her son, Matthew Brown, Greg presents former RVPD officer and now Solano County D. A. Investigator, Vicki Rister, and Hector presents his son, Gabriel.

Tatum's Student Rotarians' Report

RVHS Art students painted pictures of Jamaican orphans from photos. Mini-day, today (end of quarter) and report cards are coming. College responses are expected, soon. RVHS lost to Golden Sierra in Soccer & Softball.

Payton Tyler is #1 in nation in strikeouts. Cub proudly interjects that he was that, too, but the bat was in his hands. Affair of the Arts last week brought in \$2000+ for Art Dep't. Car show is May 24.

Celebration

Dave Greiner had birthday, March 6, and he abashedly admits he wasn't here for our serenade. Cub tries to fine him \$2 per year.



Vicki Rister, Independent Consultant



Riccardo Cappai, exchange student from Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

Confessions

Rick Hennes takes 2 sons down to AZ spring training, for 3 days. First two games rained out after 4 innings, but next 2 days they saw Padres and Giants play. Cub levies fine of \$1 per inning missed.

Dick Brann updates grandkids' status. Eldest granddaughter graduated U. of Chicago and was accepted into Vets' school. Eldest grandson got married and attends school in Hartford, VT. Another granddaughter graduates law school in May and has job lined up. Is Dick proud? He fines himself \$50.

Cub confesses to being guest 3 days at 4,500 Sq. Ft. Tahoe home with appreciative real estate buddy and some opportunistic ski buddies. He matches Dick's \$50.

Hank confesses to fun-filled 2-week \$6,000 Hawaiian cruise in which he and Judy got sick, never left the ship at 5 different islands, were quarantined to their room, sailed back in severe storm and rough seas, and Hank left his camera in cab, but got it back. Cub is so moved that he can't bear to levy fine.

Joe confesses to attending seminar in Seattle. Also, granddaughter wins science project prize in San Mateo county. Joe gives \$10 to dictionary fund.

Announcements

Ted says our annual dictionary event will be held the Wednesday after next, March 27. However, this year, budget constraints prevent Coast Guard participation, and CHP is spread thin on Hwy. 12, so the usual teaching session won't take place.

Wayne mentions that his radar detector doesn't work well on CHP aircraft.

Golf Committee meeting 6:00 pm, Wednesday, Poppy House.

Appreciation Night, April 3, Fire House. Lee passes volunteer sign-up list around. Fried chicken & pasta will be served. Solano firefighters who will be honored tonight include Josh Perkins and Lee from Rio Vista.

Program

Eddie presents our AFS foreign exchange student at RVHS, 17-year-old Riccardo Cappai, from Italy. He's living with the Gomes family.

Although he's a Senior, here, he'll have one more year of schooling before he graduates back home. His favorite sport is basketball, but he's participating in lots of sports at RVHS.

Riccardo explains the meaning of Italian flag. He's from island of Sardinia, population 1.5 million. Enrollment in his school is 2,000. The shore is 100 meters from his house. He says Italian schools are harder and not as much fun as here, as they learn math, science and Latin. He may become an engineer.

Raffle

Riccardo gets Bev wrong marble.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>
Friday, March 22	To Be Announced	Neil Hamilton
Friday, March 29	To Be Announced	Rick Hennes
Wednesday, April 3	Appreciation Night at Firehouse	Lee Williams
Friday, April 5	No Meeting	