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*I don't trip over things,
I do random gravity
checks!* PLAGIARIZED FROM
JASON MILLER—LIONS BULLETIN



HELEN MADERE BRIDGE

Rotarian

*"Having fun
helping others...
watering the
rosebuds"*

DR. TED SCHULZ



Bob Bard, Ed.

Meeting called to order

Lee's guest, Greg Lucas, graciously steps aside in order to let Student Rotarian, Maria Lazarro, lead the Pledge. Guests

Lee introduces Greg Lucas, Chris Mingay, and Hector greets Alyssa. Best wishes, Eileen!

Eileen Kennedy is granted a leave of absence to care for her ailing sister.

Golf tournament

Our golf committee is doing spectacular job! Did you see those new posters? Wow! Kelley says donate \$50 for Linda and Betty to purchase auction prizes or give a prize of equivalent value. Hector says sell your 10 ball drop tickets at \$5 each or 3 for \$10, and return your stubs.

Charter Night

Jamie says get ready for next Friday the 13th at the Point. Social at 6:00, dinner at 7:00, ass't D. G., Ken Courville will speak at 8:00.

Appreciation Night

Lee says farmers will be back, this year to join our first responders at the Firehouse, Wed., April 1. Menu will include N. Y. strips & potatoes. Social at 6:00, dinner at 7:00. Signup sheet will be passed around next week.

Hog August Bites

Robert & Molly say event is scheduled for August 22. They're holding a steak & prawns dinner fundraiser for seed money at Foster's on next Tuesday, April 10. Social at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00, with wine tasting, and entertainment after dinner. There'll be 80 tickets at \$50 ea. available at Kelley's Dollar Store and Foster's.

Dr. Ted attends motivational Rotary webinar

He suggests having Interactors run our meeting. Kelley and Betty will spearhead event. Then, Ted reports catching some flack from parents because the word "s**t" is in the Collegiate Dictionaries we gave the 4th graders. Tsk, tsk! Thank heavens he didn't actually say the word in front of lady Rotarians. Don says he'll talk to Amy, who's in charge of such matters at school, to see what can be done, and expresses surprise that "s**t" wasn't preceded by the word "bull." Tut, tut.

Students enjoyed time spent with first responders learning how to use their new dictionaries. Cole



USCG Chief Jason Miller



RVPD Officer Lisa McDowell

reports that USCG ran laps with Isleton kids after event.

Rotary Scholarships

Kelley says forms will be available at the high school and on our website, next week.

Camp Royal

Betty assures us that she's on the stick, and all 4 students are on board.

Summer League Basketball

Lee presents Greg and Chris, who reveal that 11 Jr. high and high school kids from our town will attend training program in Redding; funds are needed. Basic cost is \$300 + recommended additional \$500 program.



Chris Mingay (left), Greg Lucas tout Boys AAU Basketball

Milestone

We sing "Happy Anniversary" for Dave Masons' first Rotary year.

Student Rotarians' Report

Maria, Sarah and Dylan report AFS trip to Chicago in 4 days; finals week and spring break coming soon; Swim Team did well at meet, Monday (mainly girls); Baseball lost 3-2 at Raley Field, Tuesday; Softball today at Linden; Girls Soccer won 7-6, Wed.; today Vs. Bradshaw Christian. Wayne Woodward PHF+5

Thank you, Wayne for your continued generosity. These funds enhance, enrich and save lives, globally.

Joe monitors phone call while auctioning off medallion

With uncanny skill and digital derring-do, Joe brings in \$35 for medallion. Is Evelyn planning a trip?



Dr. Ted vigorously warms up the crowd at the White School as Dictionary Day instruction gets under way.



Highway Patrol, Sheriff, Coast Guard, Police and Fire-fighter personnel volunteer to assist with Dictionary Day.

Fine free bragging

Joe says grandson won at Hockey, next: finals in San Diego; Jared entered college in Philadelphia, then 2 year Military Academy with full ride 4-year scholarship. Wow! All that, and no fine? Joe may reconsider.

Lee says annual Fire Chief's Firefighter of the Year Awards Dinner: March 27, Garden Inn; a few tickets are left. Fire Chief Al says Bobby Blanco will receive award.

Robert announces that our club's poker contingent met for party and played one last game. Danny, Lee, Molly, Hector, and Kelley played. Kelley won. (No fine)

Confessions

Dave bought a truck from Derek, who is absent.

Kelley attended Main St. seminar plus 2 day conference. After convoluted calculations, Danny fines her \$6.



Pres. Jim outwits predatory gavel hunter, Gary Laz, again!

Jim Lira enjoys trip to busy Carson Valley Inn, celebrating his son's birthday, and pays \$20.

Perhaps inspired by Wayne's new PHF+5 largesse, Joe pays \$100 to Monica's PHF for Philadelphia trip.

Program

Linda introduces two speakers, Jason Miller and Lisa McDowell. Jason describes Sexual Assault Awareness, and Lisa provides a comprehensive update on the status of our police department and the challenges we must face.

Similar to last year, our local Coast Guard will hold a walk from the foot of Main St., Saturday, April 4 at noon, placing teal ribbons, ending with a cookout at Lira's area. They're raising awareness, but not money. Only 30% of sexual assaults are reported. The kids need to be taught at school that it's not their fault. Volunteers are needed.

Lisa has been with RVPD for 9 years, and she's now a Senior Officer. They have 7 officers and one Sergeant. It's a long and expensive procedure to train new recruits, but the turnover of officers is high because the pay is too low, here, for them to make ends meet.

We tend to believe that Rio Vista is a peaceful town without much crime. However Lisa gave some very real examples of criminal activities with which our department has had to deal. There have been 10 suicides on her watch, one of which she witnessed. Our department has worked with the FBI at the Bank of Rio Vista, tracking down a \$100K fraud case, captured a python, recovered an undetonated bomb that could have wiped out several buildings and inhabitants, dismantled a 2500 sq. ft. marijuana grow in a house in Trilogy and more.

50/50 raffle

Al is good at buying tickets, not at picking marbles.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEAKER/EVENT</u>	<u>PROGRAM CHAIR</u>
Friday, March 13	Charter Night-The Point: 6:00 pm-Social, 7:00 pm-Dinner, 8:00 pm-Program	Jamie Wilson
Friday, March 20	Amy Bettencourt "Common Core at River Delta Unified School District"	Don Beno
Friday, March 27	Gabino Perez "School Vocational Training"	Derek Jones
Friday, April 3	Cindy Bradford "Mission Solano"	Jamie Wilson
Friday, April 10	Bill Giles "Audiology"	Linda Lannon