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*"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass; it's about learning to dance in the rain."*

—VIVIAN GREENE



HELEN MADERE BRIDGE

# Rotarian

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

—DR. TED SCHULZ



Bob Bard, Ed.

## We open with rousing 1958 classic

Molly leads salute, Tom leads prayer, and we sing and rock with Greg to Chuck Berry's Johnny B. Goode.

## Welcome Dr. Mel

It's great to see the SEAL again!

## RVHS Alumni Baseball Tournament

Jim Lira told Pres. Greg this 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event takes place Saturday, May 14, (the same day as the Rotary Pentathlon swim meet.)

## Josie Hamilton to attend Camp Royal

Jim McCracken did a search; Walnut Creek Rotary had an open slot that Josie will now fill. *Thanks, Jim!*

## Golf tournament is brim full!

Kelley says we're changing lives, one golf ball at a time. Evelyn says we've got 136 players. Kelley thanks Evelyn for being so pushy. *(Just kidding, Evelyn--great job...amazing, actually!)* Ed has great game planned, your Ed. has slide show, Jim Lira has food, we've got tickets *(thanks, Hector.)* We're ready to stuff bags. Setup: be there 6:30-ish, breakfast 8:30, tee-off 10:00. Tuesday setup will start at 6:00 p. m. Ed describes camo ball game within a game with possible side bets. Each 4-some receives one marked ball, which rotates among players, each playing a hole. All teams finishing 18 holes without losing ball will turn in ball for small raffle prize.

## Milestones

Birthday: Dan Schindler; Rotary Anniversary: Hector (9 years). Your editor misunderstood one of last week's announcements and somehow managed to get Cheyanne engaged. *Fortunately, it was the first mistake we've ever made.*



*Student Rotarians present report, from left: Chris Galeno, Piero Tello, Alyssa De La Rosa, and Cheyanne Bastedo.*

## Student Rotarians Report

A. P. testing this week; College Signing Day (mock

signing ceremony;) May Fair under way--Josie shows her steer, today; June 3 is graduation in football field; Senior finals May 23-4; May 25 ride bus to Disneyland; Boys Swimmers won league, Girls Swimmers tied for first, but Highland had better season record, so they were awarded first place; Cheyanne took second in Breaststroke.

## Memory Lane in newspapers

For our amusement, Pres. Greg displays historic pics of our more photogenic members: Hector, Tim, and Wayne.

## Confessions

Jim Nordin and Linda visited China; he gives a penny for each terra cotta warrior. They visited Beijing, Shanghai, and Zhejiang.

Pres. Greg, obviously distraught over missing gavel **and** bell, desperately attempts to implicate Danny, just because he happened to be vacationing in HI while the bell and gavel were also there.

Tim announces the passing of Terry's dad while they were on 2-week visit to her folks in WA. Greg extends our condolences to Terry and Tim.

Ken and Brenda visit South Pacific for their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It rains 12 days, so he tries to get off with \$50 fine, admits they stayed in Tahiti, and coughs up \$100.

Lee plays golf with Danny, Hector, Schultz boys, gets birdie (ball rolls all the way), cleans shop for reception 'cause daughter, Crystal, marries in beautiful, historic, Shiloh Church. Lee pays \$50 to dictionary fund, 'cause he read Dictionary Day article by Dick Burkhart in paper.

Ed Kingen spent one week at Yuba City College with WiFi and one week at Sierra Madre with Police Dep't. communications. He had so much fun that he gives \$50.

Tom spent 2 weeks in Lima, Peru, at exciting \$1.4B airport project. He funds Sarah's PHF.

Jim Lira spent 2 weeks in desolate, windy So. Cal. dessert, so he gives \$50 to Police Bicycle Program and \$50 to kids Baseball program, where he sees amazing double play.

## Schedule notifications

Gary announces for Jim McPherson that the Demotion will be held Saturday, June 25 (no meeting that Friday.) He doesn't announce time or place. Kelley reminds us that there's no meeting next week due to golf tourney.

## Wheel of Fortune

Alyssa fails to stand while addressing Pres. Greg. Cheyanne points out shameful breach of protocol. Alyssa spins wheel, must call significant other and say

she loves him with cell on speakerphone or pay \$5; she "borrows" funds from dear old Dad. Cheyanne, the "snitch" must also spin, lands on same slot, calls Yoda, who sounds half awake, tells him she loves him, he returns favor, says she's sweet, and she says she was forced. *Ain't love grand?*

The Case of the Problematic Projector

Hector can't get slide show going. Kelley suggests the club buy new projector-friendly computer with Quicken. Danny promises to get one very, very soon.

Reports on Dictionary Program

Hale describes thank you letter from grateful student who misspells "dictionary," crosses it out, and rewrites it using correct spelling. Then, Hale claims, "It's working!"

Tim receives partially written letter that's all crumpled up by student, probably straightened and mailed by amused mom.

Greg gets letter saying I'm glad to get this dictionary; my mom said no way, she wouldn't buy me one.

*I get 3 letters, one of which, written by Hannah P., was really well written. It appears below.*

Gil receives letter asking him to write back.

Program

Hector bravely begins program with no slide projector. He has become a serious student of Tequila, and reveals everything you've ever wanted to know about it, and maybe even more. He discusses growing and harvesting the cactus, as well as producing and enjoying the beverage. He describes the various nuances in flavors, colors, and aromas. He discusses locations, methods and techniques of production, ultimate product costs and the increasing popularity of tequila versus other spirits.


His talk is quite comprehensive and adequate, even without his slides. We're sure his slides would also have been excellent and informative.

Hector appreciates and enjoys the qualities of the beverage, not just the buzz it produces, and he shares his enthusiasm. However, he does not appreciate someone downing a jigger of cheap tequila followed by salt to neutralize the bitter aftertaste.

50/50 Raffle

Eddie's winning ticket and marble net him \$347.50!

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Wednesday, May 11	Marta Dron Memorial Golf Tournament	Kelley Graupensperger
Friday, May 13	No meeting today	None
Friday, May 20	Darelyn Pazdel--Pride Industries: Disabled Vets	Ed Kingen
Friday, May 27	"I" Program--The life & times of famed architect of the delta	Gil Labrie
Friday, June 3	All the buzz about mosquitoes, Zita, Malaria, and Chikungunya	Hale Conklin

TO:   
 Bob Bard  
 From Hannah

Dear Bob Bard,

I've really enjoyed reading my dictionary. One time I spent ~~as~~ half an hour reading the dictionary. Thank you so much for getting my dictionary, it is awesome!! I love to learn about cameras and how to use them, but when I read the books about them there are some words I don't understand. Then I just look in the dictionary and it helps a lot to understand the words. I also I've been wanting to learn about veterinarian stuff and the dictionary has really helped. Do you want to hear a joke.... "Knock knock who's there? Noah. Noah who? Noah good place to read my dictionary?" ☺ ☺... Funny right? If you want to hear another joke read the next sentence, if you don't skip the next sentence. "Knock knock who's there I'm berry, I'm berry who, I'm berry happy I got a dictionary!!" Just to tell you again ~~Thank~~ Thank you sooooo much for the dictionary!! My name is Hannah P. I'm nine years old, and last I go to Isleton Elementary School in Isleton!!

Thank you so so much,  
 Hannah P. ☺ ☺ @