THE RIO ROTARIAN

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Rotary Club of Rio Vista, D-5160

Call the meeting to order: President Serdar opened the 3501. meeting of the Rio Vista Rotary Club and 1. meeting of the Rotary Year 2023-2024 continuing with the pledge, a new prayer was introduced and he sang a Turkish song for us. The new prayer that represent the 7 focus areas of Rotary is:

"As a Rotarian, I wish for people in our country and the world to live in prosperity and peace with each other and with nature, disease free, with clean water, healthy food and educational opportunities available to all."

Guest Speaker/Speaker: Rtn. Serdar Gurel, Rtn. Tom Donnelly, Rtn. Edwin Kingen

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests of Rotarians:

Celebrations/Birthdays: Edwin has Birthday on July 8th

Treasurers Report:

Hector will share the final version of the budget for the Rotary Year 2022-2023

Committee Reports:

Patty asks the decision of the Club to have a Beer Booth on "Hog August Bites". It is accepted. We will have a booth there.

Edwin Okamura is still negotiating for the video conferencing equipment and waiting the offer from the company.

Announcements/Correspondences:

Two of our scholarship recipients Callie Butler and Yolando Montano sent appreciation letters. We wish for them successful college years.

Confessions:

Lisa confessed to her future trip to Michigan to see her brother. Molly took a week off to spend with their exchange student from Brazil and they had some fun parties. Hector played at Rancho Solano, Hector hit his 2nd hole in one in his life.

Interact:

A few students got to go to the American Legion boys and girls program in Sacramento. They did some government activities, poli-sci. Seth taking a trip to Truckee and Tahoe area. Lea is on her way to the airport after a wonderful year she spent with us in Rio Vista and the High School. She got back from her last trip where she saw the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Las Vegas, Santa Cruz. Said her goodbyes and will be sending us a letter from Austria.

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Presentation:

Serdar: Reviews the year ahead, the board of directors was announced for the year. He discusses the year ahead, which includes his goals, project desires. Supporting education. Club's membership book. A history book of the Rio Vista Rotary club and a piece of history to share and continue to grow.

Tom: Speaker discussion and Serdar would like each program chair to give a quick i-program prior to the presentation and program. Announcing the next week programs after each meeting. Discussed vocational service and helping them find career paths, not necessarily colleges but trade schools as well.

Ed: Discussing membership and bringing new candidates to possibly join our club. Community role models, different professions, etc. Getting a member from the school system would be ideal to help navigate the school system. Would like more ideas to help recruit new members. Discussed possible advertising to recruit members. Banner ads on fences, etc. Sponsoring membership - each member that brings in a new member, gets two months fine free.

Next week's Program:

- Kim will give a presentation about: "What can we do on our Facebook Page and How?"
- Last year, Jay's daughter Jorie was the Rotary Exchange Student in Switzerland and she will tell us about the country and her experiences there.

Marble Draw for Donations: Ticket draw was Kimmy. Only 6 marbles left. She was unsuccesful.