



Edgard Garcia, President 2016-2017

Celebrate Rotary

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## IVEDC

Bobby Brock introduced Tim Kelley, CEO of Imperial Valley Economic Development Corporation. Tim spoke about his long tenure with the IVEDC and how the organization works with Imperial/Mexicali Bi-National Commission to actively promote our border region to attract new projects and industry to the area.

Tim highlighted numerous programs available to local businesses to incentivize job creation and business expansion. Those programs include: Internship to Career, On the Job Training, Employment Training Program, California Competes Tax Credits, Imperial Valley – California Competes Tax Credit Workshop, Energy Innovation Cluster, and IVEDC Local Procurement Program.

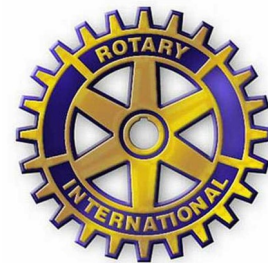
Bobby Brock closed the program by thanking Tim and presenting him with an End Polio Now donation in Tim's name.



## POT



Bill Plourd won the \$27 small pot, but missed the \$300 big pot.



### "Rotary Serving Humanity"

President-elect John Germ announces his 2016-2017 theme.

*"I believe everyone recognizes the opportunity to serve Rotary for what it truly is: not a small opportunity, but a great one; an opportunity of a lifetime to change the world for the better, forever through Rotary's service to humanity." -- RIPE John Germ*



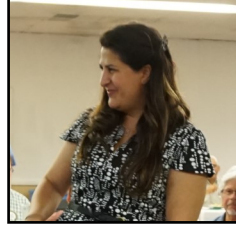
## Pledge, Prayer and Song

The pledge was led by Victor Calderon, Jr, Ron Griffen offered the prayer and the song was led by Trish

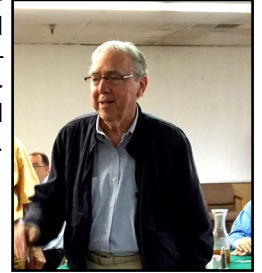


Burich-McNeece, guest Shanna Abatti, Sue Giller and Karina Alvarez and we sang, God Bless America .

## Visiting Rotarians and Guests of Rotarians



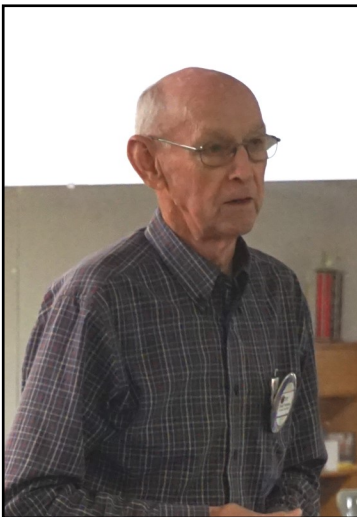
President Edgard Garcia introduced the Visiting Rotarians: Richard Acosta – Holtville, Tim Kelley – Brawley, Bill Tyler - Carmel.



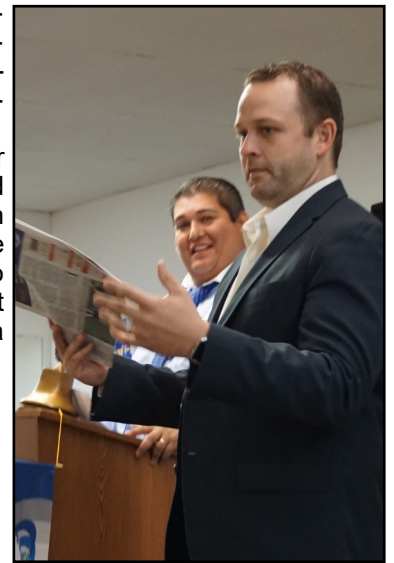
President Edgard introduced his wife, Arezoo Garcia, Trish Burich-McNeece introduced Shanna Abatti.

## Whining and Fining

Bobby Brock was recognized for his work with Boy Scouts and youth leadership programs within the organization. Bobby discussed exploring programs and career field programs, which are intended to assist participants make well-informed pre-college decisions. For his efforts, Bobby was fined with a \$50 recognition fee.



After a long summer spent in Montana and elsewhere, Don Thompson was welcomed back to the home club and El Centro in general. Don was hit with a World Series trivia



question and fined \$100 for the privilege of guessing the right answer.



Gunther Chin was fined \$50 for not knowing trivia as Matt attempted with his baseball trivia question. Edgard, but soned n't easily



baseball about Tex-teams. Contreras ed a steal own Texas trivia ques-hurled at dent Ed-our sea-leader was-picked off.



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were asked political trivia questions and them was fined \$50. Christopher Plourd was given a different trivia category and impressed us with his knowledge of fine art and classical artists. Christopher was taxed \$50 for his knowledge and good taste.