



# ROTARY ROUND-UP



Kris Becker, President 2017-2018      Celebrate Rotary      Number 14 for The Week of October 5, 2017

## Visiting Rotarians and Guests of Rotarians



Visiting Rotarians included Rod Smartt the President Elect of the Imperial Breakfast Club, Richard Acosta from the Holtville Club and the residing President of the Imperial Breakfast Club, Kelly Smith.

WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR VISITORS!

## WHINING AND FINING




Past President Ron recently attended a conference in the state of Washington. Being the golfer that he is he had the opportunity to play the Chambers Bay Golf Course. This is a NO RIDE course so he hired a caddy. Ron enjoyed the experience, saying he had some good shots. Ron brought a gift back to President Kris and still volun-

teered to give \$100 to his PHF and another \$50 to the club.




**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

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The drawing was won by visiting/permanent Rotarian Richard Acosta, however he left the red chip for a future drawing.

## PROGRAM

Bobby Brock introduced our guest speaker. Deputy Agriculture Commissioner Rachel Garewal. The County Agriculture Commissioner is charged with enforcing the laws of the California Food and Agricultural Code. The activities they perform include Pesticide use Enforcement, Pest Detection and Eradication, Pest Exclusion and Quarantine Certification of Agricultural produce for export, pest management, seed law enforcement, crop statistics and also the mandated enforcement of weights and measures in the business and professions code.



The top ten commodities produced in the Imperial Valley are cattle, alfalfa, leaf lettuce, onions, broccoli, head lettuce, spinach alfalfa seed, romaine lettuce and carrots.

The total harvested acres for 2016 were 542,063 and include the area of Imperial Valley, Bard/Winterhaven and Palo Verde. The gross cost production value for 2016 was \$2,063,214,000 which was an increase of 7.17% over 2015.

## Pledge, Prayer and Song

President Kris brought the meeting to order, and called on one of our fellow Rotarians to lead the pledge, followed by Ed Snively to offer the prayer and Mike Rood to lead the patriotic song, America the Beautiful.

Yes, we were in good voice again



## Announcements



Rosa Caro informed everybody that the STAR program would start October 12<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are still needed. The STAR Program Rocks!

James Garcia announced the IC Board of Realtors will be holding a beer/wine event on October 5<sup>th</sup> at Cheval Farms from 5-7 that will benefit CASA. Tickets are \$25.00



Bobby Brock thanked the Rotary for their support of the Foundation Golf Club and announced that nominations were being taken for the National Day of Philanthropy in November.

Robert Menvielle reminded everyone that the Imperial Museum would be holding their annual fundraiser draw down dinner. Tickets are \$100 each with the grand price some nice bucks.

WE NEED CLUB MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE STAR PROGRAM, SEE ROSA