

CELEBRATE GOOD TIMES; COME ON!

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While the world is filled with disturbing news, we do have things to celebrate here in the Delta. The new September-December 2017 edition of DISCOVER RIO VISTA (DRV) magazine reminds us of events, activities, and places of interest to celebrate in and around the Rio Vista area. Look for this tri-annual publication, brought to you by the RioVision Promotions and Communications team, in this week's Beacon and in many Delta businesses, including Rio Vista Visitors' Center. Here is a "sneak peek" into what you will find in this edition.

Photography! A knockout photo of Bass Derby Fireworks over the Rio Vista Bridge by photographer Diane King explodes on the front cover. Stunning wildlife photos by Doris Noriega and newcomer Yvonne Camper accompany an article on fall bird migrations to the Delta. Live a Delta moment captured by newcomer Janey Thompson in a charming photo of her husband Tom and their grandsons on a Delta fishing excursion. Celebrate!

Natural treasures! One of our newer writers, Linda Jensen, offers the inspiring article on fall bird migrations. Marilyn Nelson's informative article covers special activities that take place in local wineries around wine crush at this time of year. In the crush, grapes are gently squeezed to liberate the contents of the berries and begin fermentation. Celebrate!

Local History! In an article by Blake Roberts, reprinted from the Delta Protection Commission website, you can catch a glimpse of writer Jack London's time in the Delta and how he wrote of his adventures in his novels Tales of the Fish Patrol and Valley of the Moon. Popular local storyteller and historian, Phil Pezzaglia, offers the first of a two-part series about noted architect and builder, J. D. Mortensen.

Local Places and Events! Seasoned writer and Bass Derby volunteer, Noel O'Brien, gives us a look into the important roles and responsibilities of volunteers in planning and executing Rio Vista's unique hometown festival, the Bass Derby. Drew Gidlof offers a salmon fishing technique you may want to try along with helpful ideas for the upcoming Bass Derby competition. DRV editor Susan Whitesell, directs our "eyes to the sky" in her article about the Rio Vista Municipal airport and its amenities. The "Spotlight On" column by DRV advertising team leader Laurie Oleksiewicz, highlights a renowned downtown business, Delta Pharmacy, and its owners, Brenda and Ken Wudel.

Celebrate the winter holidays! Look for our feature "Rio Rocks the Holidays" to learn about upcoming local holiday events including the Trilogy Fall Gift, Craft, and Art Faire and Jewelry Show (open to public), the Rio Vista Museum Old Tyme Christmas Faire, Holiday Home Tour 2017, Main Street Holiday Parade, downtown Tree Lighting, and Lighted Boat Parade on our waterfront. These are events you'll want to get on your calendar.

Don't miss the "Event Calendar" feature which showcases many more of the local events that occur between September and December.

DISCOVER RIO VISTA magazine celebrates YOU, our readers, and we WANT YOUR FEEDBACK! Complete the survey below to tell us what you would like to see in future publications and how we are doing. Then drop it at the Hwy 12 Diner to be entered into a September 30<sup>th</sup> drawing for a \$50 gift certificate. Thank you!!!

### What Do *You* Like About *Discover Rio Vista Magazine*?

What *Discover Rio Vista* magazine articles do you enjoy most? Choose 3 in order of importance with 1 being most important and 3 least important. Drop off your completed form at Hwy 12 Diner. We'll draw a winning entry for a \$50.00 gift certificate on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

- Local festivals, events & activities (Sheep Dog Trial, Bass Derby, etc.)
- Delta recreation (boating, sailing, kayaking, camping, RVing, etc.)
- Day trips & sightseeing
- "Spotlight On" about local merchants
- Historic Homes (written by Phil Pezzaglia)
- Fishing (written by Drew Gidlof)
- Local/nearby wineries
- Event Calendar

Is there anything else of a tourism nature that you'd like Discover Rio Vista magazine to cover that we haven't in the past?

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