



Rotary Club of Grand Junction  
P.O. Box 1888  
Grand Junction, CO 81502

**Celebrating Our 100th Anniversary**

**Club 1167**  
**Chartered September 11, 1919**  
**Founded June 17, 1919**  
**District 5470**

**UPCOMING DATES**

Meetings/Programs  
**Program Committee**  
Kelly Anderson, Chair

**Upcoming Programs**

- April 10 Coal Energy Update, Steve Doyle, Doubletree Hotel
- April 17 RiversEdge West, Cara Kukuraitis, TBA
- April 24 White Elephant Auction, TBA



**Christian Reece from Club 20.**

Board Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month.  
At 5:00 pm at rotating locations.

**Club Meeting**  
Wednesday, 12:00 pm,  
Two Rivers Convention Center

**Horizon Sunrise**  
Thursday at 7:15 am,  
Bookcliff Country Club

**Redlands Rotary**  
Friday at 12:00 pm,  
Two Rivers Convention Center

**Palisade Sunrise**  
Tuesday at 7:15 am,  
Wine Country Inn

**Rotary Club of Fruita**  
Tuesday at 12:00 pm,  
Fruita Civic Center

Newsletter copy deadline for weekly announcements,  
letters, stories, program info, etc. is  
Monday, week of publication, 10 AM

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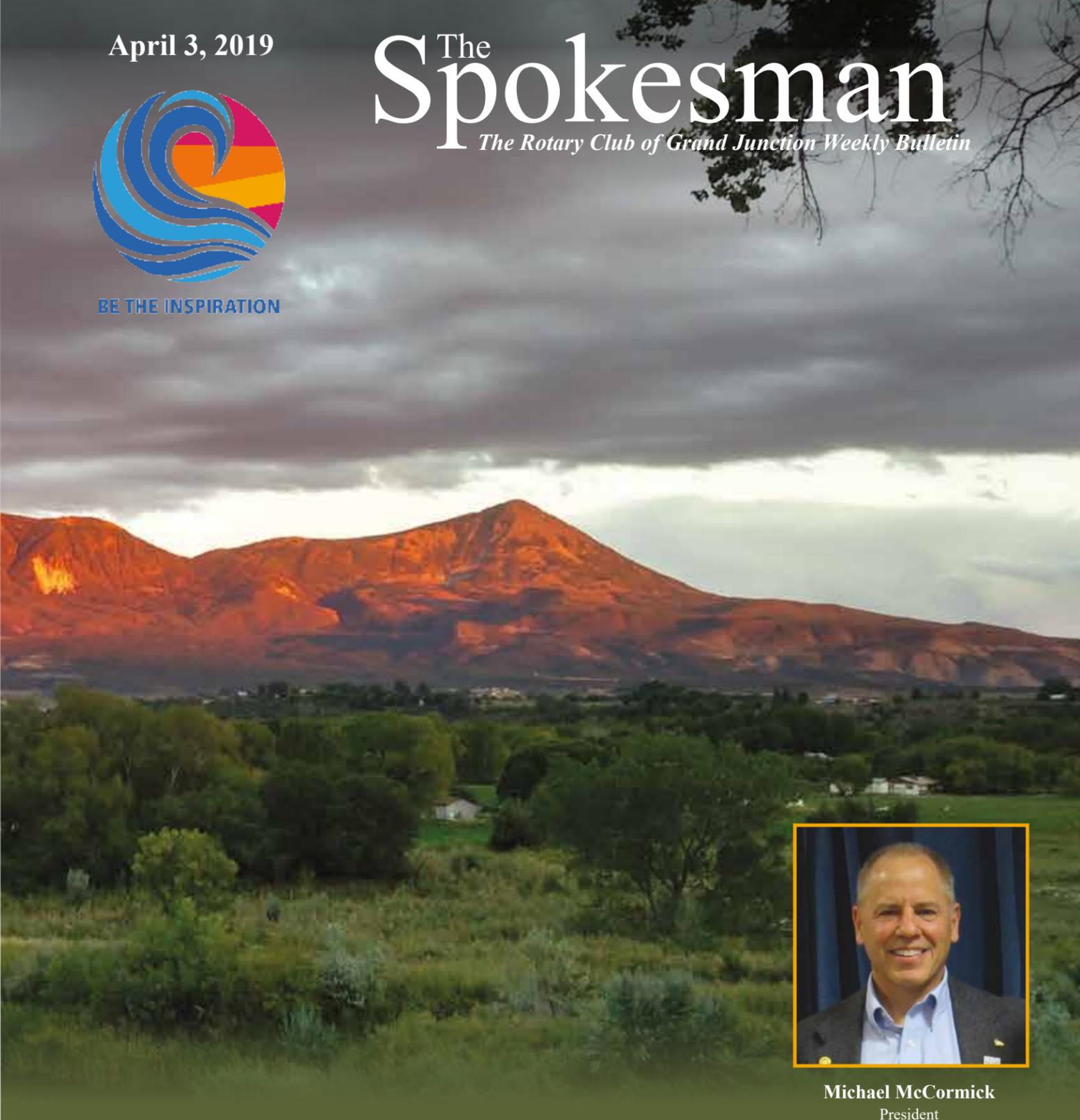
April 3, 2019



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# The Spokesman

The Rotary Club of Grand Junction Weekly Bulletin



**Michael McCormick**  
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2018-2019  
"A Culture of Service"

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**Juliann Adams**  
Assistant District Governor  
**Barry Rassin**  
Rotary International President



Dr. Bruce Bauerle

## Skiing / Snowshoe Nature Hike on Grand Mesa

Dr. Bruce Bauerle (Professor of Biology and Ecology at Colorado Mesa University, in Grand Junction, Colorado) was the recipient of the college's highest award "Outstanding Professor" in 2000, and was selected "Outstanding Educator" by the Chamber of Commerce in 1999 and 2003. He was selected as "Faculty Member of the Year" by the ASG (All Student Government) Association in 2013. He has traveled to over thirty countries, including Amazonia, Antarctica, the Galapagos Islands, Tasmania, New Guinea, and taught on the world famous "Semester at Sea" program. He has written scientific articles and a book, and has been giving naturalist presentations for over 20 years. He spends his free time kayaking, scuba diving, snowboarding, skiing, and windsurfing. project manager, and field representative for US Congressman Scott Tipton.



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By: Miffie Blozovich



The Club meeting was at The Warehouse and was well-attended. However, no one sat in the 'front and center' table, which was noted well by President Michael. Sharon Woodward shared an emotional reflection, making reference to her late husband, Ed. Devoting yourself to others and doing something that gives you purpose. President Michael led us all in the "Pledge of Allegiance" as he made reference to the American flag displayed onstage. "The Four Way Test" was led by Rod Christ.

Song was "Take Me Out to the Ballgame," led by Kelly Anderson and Merritt Kinsey, in honor of opening day for baseball season.

**Introduction of Guests:**  
**Bob Czarnecky - Glen Miller from Redlands Rotary**  
**Cary Eidsness - Luke Valar with Atlasta Solar**  
**Merritt Kinsey - Christian Reece with Club 20 (presenter)**

**Announcements:**

**President Michael:**

- District meeting and grant training will be in Montrose on April 13th at the Holiday Inn.

- Rotary Foundation Board has an opening. Need someone from the club to join. Meets quarterly. Basically to oversee the applications that are submitted for funding. If interested, contact any of the Foundation board members or President Michael.

- Next week club will meet at the Double Tree to try that out as a possible venue. We will need to make a decision between Double Tree and Warehouse.

**Dr. Hackett** - reminder that the

**Bloodmobile** will be available to receive your donations at the parking lot of the Double Tree.

**Kelly Anderson - The Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra is raffling off a \$37,000 Jeep Rubicon.** Tickets are \$100 each and are available from Kelly today or through the symphony office. If you don't want a Rubicon, you will have \$37,000 worth of credit at the dealership, if you win.

**Gwen DeCino - White Elephant Sale - April 24th** - donations will be taken at the Warehouse. Bartenders are working with Gwen to accept and store the donated items at the Warehouse. Any questions, call Gwen. Jack Connolly will be the whimsical, unpredictable auctioneer. This is held at the Club meeting that day.

**Barbara Traylor Smith - JUCO is coming up** - organizational committee meeting on April 17th - wherever club is meeting that day. Inviting all club members to help in any way they might want to help.

**Dave Huerkamp** - Thursday, March 28th was the third meeting of the Rotaract Club at CMU University Center - The Point. Had over 50 at the last meeting and so if any Rotarians can come and help introduce the students to Rotary, we could use your help.

**Tom Benton - April 10th at 4pm "Blockchain and Cryptocurrency"** - a CMU panel is being put together at the Innovation Center to help you learn more about this newly formed cyber currency.

**Presentation:**

**Christian Reece with Club 20.** Club 20 is a nonpartisan coalition formed 66 years ago (1953). Started with 20 counties but has grown to

22 counties, throughout the western slope. It's a diverse group - agriculture, business, water, oil and gas, and environmental. They take positions on anything that affects the western slope. The annual spring conference is April 12-13, 2019; potential energy issues on the agenda. She will head to Washington D.C. in May. The fall conference is held in September. Club 20 offers networking opportunities on a regional level and provides access to decision-makers. Recent activities - Club 20 has taken a position on 30 of the 519 bills introduced into State legislation since the beginning of this session. They don't have a lobbyist, so Christian speaks on Club 20's behalf whenever possible. She wrapped up by giving away a bunch of golf balls, since she said they had an abundance of them from a previous promotion. Lots and lots of golf balls to give away, she said.

**Before the official Happy Bucks presentations, President Mike** expressed his happiness for the great service we've been getting at The Warehouse and he invited Terri to come up and be recognized. She took time to let everyone know that they welcome suggestions on anything they can do to make their experience better at The Warehouse. After his 'Columbo' wrap-up, she assured the Club that we weren't just getting the royal treatment and that the food and service would continue to impress, after the trial period. She assured the Club that they would be happy to have a banner for Rotary meetings at their establishment. **when they were moving out.**

**Happy Bucks:**

**Aaron Tice** - Happy that his father is an Oregon Duck, **he is** an Oregon Duck,

and that there is only one Cinderella left in the Sweet 16 - and it is... the Oregon Ducks.

**Tom Benton** - recognized Gwen and Sharon for going through the archives last weekend, but something found in the trash was a special former president's emblem - **reverse happy bucks** to Merritt Kinsey that he would have forgotten this.

**Gary Nagy** - \$40 (not his birthday, just sayin') \$20 is for artwork from Rick Adleman. Rick sold the piece for \$200, but wanted the money to go to the Paul Harris fund. \$20 for his personal 20 gallon mark for blood donation - he wanted to recognize and encourage folks to donate next week when the Bloodmobile will be at the Double Tree. **President Mike put in a plug for matching funds** being available to the club for donations that can be at any level.

**Barbara Traylor Smith** - confused people can come to the City Hall special meeting to clear up the ballot issues.

**Wayne Sallade** - he's celebrating two

years in the Grand Valley with his wife. They have been traveling the area and sightseeing. Went to Canyonlands last weekend and he expressed how beautiful this area is and encouraged those of us who have lived here a long time to not forget how blessed we are. Also Florida State Seminoles is his alma mater, and they were in the Sweet Sixteen circle as well.

**Gifts for the President:**

**Marty Chazen** - presented more than just one map and visitor's guide to our president. He also gifted him with some receipts and old tickets, which was starting to resemble the items one would have been clearing out of one's suitcase. But he was able to save face with some fine items at the end, such as a kitchen magnet and a miniature of The Statue of Liberty - bought from a street vendor in Manhattan.

**Meeting concluded with the winning raffle ticket going to the Club's Oregon Duck.**



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1. Should President Mike join this Trio professionally?;
2. Who knows what a "Blockchain and Cryptocurrency" is??;
3. Your wish is our command!;
4. I'm a newbie, and I can't get enough of this beautiful place where we all live!!

**Goodbye Two Rivers Convention Center**  
by Jan Pomrenke

Grand Junction Rotary is moving on  
It's been a nice ride  
30 years I've been there  
And others even longer  
Twas a relatively smooth glide  
I parked in the garage  
Safe from wind and weather  
That was important... You don't want your hair  
To look like it tango'd with Scottish heather  
Then rode the elevator up  
And when the door opened  
I stepped out of the band box  
Wa la.....  
Made my grand entrance  
I thought  
Heard the guys telling jokes  
And teasing about golf winnings  
And the size of their fish  
Went to the check in table  
Picked up and  
Put on my Rotary label  
Fine dining it was  
Most of the time  
But always without  
Wine....

T. R. is now an old has been  
Like the LaCourt and Caravan  
(If you're young you don't know this)  
But older members tell stories  
Of those old times  
And the naughty things  
They used to do... ooh ooh  
That was before women  
So we really don't know  
But we have made a big difference  
Straightened the old boys out  
And new times we are having  
As we go to a new places  
Leaving Rotary traces  
We've cleaned out the T. R. closet  
And are setting up our new spaces  
Now to make to history  
Different blooms  
In new rooms  
But still....  
With  
Service Above Self!  
We will miss our servers  
Joyce was the best one  
They waited on us  
Hand and foot  
I guess it's time  
To plant new roots  
Farewell Two Rivers  
It won't be the same  
Onward and upward  
To our new games!  
(I will miss the elevator most!)  
;-)