

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

### Service Above Self For Over 100 Years

**Club 1167 Chartered September 11, 1919** Founded June 17, 1919 **District 5470 UPCOMING DATES** Meetings/Programs

**Program Committee** Steve Schultz, Chair Lee Borden

## **Upcoming Programs**

11/16 Eli Gerson, Ramblebine Brewery "The Art of Brewing"

- 11/23 Annual Bellringer Challenge against the Kiwanis
- 11/30 Kristi Redlinger, Mountain & Plains RYE Chair
- 12/7 Sue Ellen Rodwick, Food Bank of the Rockies
- 12/14 Martha O'Keefe, "How a District Puts on a Conference " 12/21
- No Meeting 12/28 No Meeting

## **Upcoming Events and Meetings**

11/16	Evening Group
11/17	Banff Committee
11/23	Bellringer Challenge
12/3	Christmas Tree Auction and Parade of Lights (party starts at 4:00, parade starts after the
	suns sets)
12/3	Salvation Army Bellringer
12/8	Banff Committee
12/21	No Meeting
12/28	No Meeting



## Steve Doyle started his global phase of the

Avalon's Centennial marketing in Duesseldorf

**Board Meetings will be held** at 5:00 pm every second Wednesday of the month at Bookcliff Country Club, 2730 G Rd. **Grand Junction, CO** 

> **Club Meeting** Wednesday, 11:45 pm, Bookcliff Country Club 2730 G Rd, Grand Junction, CO

**Evening Rotary Group** 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 5:30 pm, Location Rotates. Check with Club Secretary for upcoming location.

**Horizon Sunrise** Thursday at 7:15 am, The Venue at Fisher's Liquor Barn 625 24 1/2 Road Grand Junction, CO

**Redlands Rotary** Friday at 12:00 pm, The Venue at Fisher's Liquor Barn 625 24 1/2 Road Grand Junction, CO

> **Palisade Sunrise** Tuesday at 7:15 am, Wine Country Inn 777 Grand River Drive Palisade, CO

**Rotary Club of Fruita** Tuesday at 12:00 pm, Fruita Civic Center 324 N Coulson St., Fruita, CO

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

















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## **IMAGINE ROTARY**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Aaron Tice** President **Steve Schultz** President Elect **Peter Booth** Secretary Sharon Woodward Treasurer

Kelly Anderson Immediate Past President **Barbara Bowman** Past Presidents' Representative Mari Garland Club Administration **Sheree Fukai** Public Relations & Media

**Merritt Kinsey** Paul Harris Chair

# Spokesman The Rotary Club of Grand Junction Weekly Bulletin





**Aaron Tice** President 2022-2023

Ken Maberv Community Service Joe Kuntz Community Service Niki Hunn Service Projects Andy Sweet Membership Development Katie Davis Evening Group Representative

Sam Kevan District Governor Kelly Anderson Assistant District Governor **Jennifer Smith** Rotary International President

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## **Ramblebine Brewing Company - How We Do It**

Eli Gerson is the co-owner and head brewer at Ramblebine Brewing Company. He is a Grand Junction native who built a career in graphic design on the Colorado front range and then turned his passion for brewing into a new venture along with his business partner and brother-in-law. He and his wife now reside in Grand Junction and frequently visit their daughter who is attending school at Colorado University Boulder. When not brewing you can find Eli on the local pickleball courts.





**Regular Meeting- President Aaron Tice** began the weekly gathering by sharing memories and passing around a scrapbook of the club's participation many years ago in the Locks of Love program where folks donated hair to provide wigs for children who had lost their hair Darla Stevenson, who is in the process of due to medical conditions. Looking around the room it quickly became glaringly apparent that we might be hard pressed to fill out too many wigs with our follicle challenged membership!

Words of Inspiration were provided by Herb Feinzig as he shared the words of Franklin D. Roosevelt: "Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express r choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education...to prepare each citizen to choose wisely and to enable him to choose freely are paramount functions of the schools in a democracy." He then shared a memory from his childhood of waving at FDR during a parade and members are urged to fill the slots still as he passed in his motorcade.

Next up were our troubadours, Chris Unfug, Merritt Kinsey, Kelly Anderson and your editor. We offered our rendition of the Star Spangled Banner in honor of Veteran's Day. This was followed by Captain Joe West who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Finally, President Tice showed a video of Fifth Graders at Wingate always ring in the morning. Elementary singing the anthems of each military branch. As their anthem played, our members stood as their anthem was sung by the students.

#### **Introduction of Guests:**

-Walid Bou-Matar welcomed Past District **Governor Ann Harris.** 



-Nikki Hunn introduced her Son Nick, an honorary corporate member thru Thomas Hunn Jewelers.

- Scott Fairbanks introduced us to his Sister moving to Grand Junction from Vernal, Utah.

- Cliff Anson greeted his Daughter Vanessa, her boyfriend Sheldon and our speaker Don Campbell.

#### **Announcements:**

- Next year's District Conference will be held in Colorado Springs in mid-October, with plans underway for an outdoor venue concert featuring well-known entertainment.

- Bellringing for the Salvation Army kettle campaign will be Saturday, December 3rd available. Breakfast will be served for those ringing at the Salvation Army Corps building on 4th Street.

- The Rotary vs. Kiwanis trivia competition to determine who will ring in the morning or afternoon will be held next Wednesday. However, win or lose (like that will happen) we

- The Parade of Lights on December 3rd, will see us return to the Avalon for a Christmas/ Viewing party. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m. and March 2000, the Grand Junction Club affiliated the parade begins on Main Street at sundown. Food and beverage will be part of the package at \$30 per person and you can have Sharon Woodward add the charges to your bill.



- Our evening group will be having a decorated tree auction in conjunction with the parade and party at the Avalon. Trees are being decorated and sponsored by various businesses in town.

- Pre-Sale has begun for tickets to the Banff Film Festival at the Avalon Theater on February 24th and 25th. Members are urged to purchase their tickets through Ticketmaster and not a third party.

#### **Rotary Foundation Board Update**

Foundation Board Chairman and President-Elect Steve Schultz gave us a report on our local Foundation status and asked the club to elect two new members for seats that will be opening on the board. The nominations from the floor came quickly for Miffie Blozvich and Sharon Woodward and they were unanimously elected by the membership. Steve also shared that our club has contributed \$1,098,000 to the Rotary Foundation since our club was chartered.

#### **Program:**

The founder and current program committee chair of the Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society was our speaker. In January 2000, a Cactus & Succulent Club was founded in Grand Junction by Don Campbell, longtime member of the Colorado Cactus & Succulent Society in Denver. Forty individuals attended the inaugural meeting, and today the club has 60 members. In with the Colorado C&S Society as the Chinle Chapter.

In March 2009, the Chinle Chapter separated

from the Colorado C&S Society, becoming the "stand alone" Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society. The Chinle C&S Society is one of over 75 state or local C&S Societies currently affiliated with the Cactus & Succulent Society of America.

The Chinle C&S Society developed and maintains a widely acclaimed outdoor cactus and succulent garden at the Colorado State University (CSU) Extension Tri-River Area office at the Mesa County Fairgrounds in Grand Junction, with substantial support and assistance from the CSU Extension. The office is located at 2775 US-50, Grand Junction, 21503.

This garden was designed by club founder Don Campbell and built by club members in 2000 at the invitation of the CSU Tri-River Extension agent. Over 300 different species, varieties, cultivars and hybrids of succulent, xeric and non-succulent plants have been tried in the garden. The garden showcases the astonishing variety of cacti and succulents that thrive in our challenging Western Slope climate.

#### Stripping:

We finally got around to stripping Jim Hale's red sticker which was many months overdue.





- President Aaron once again announced fines for those not wearing blue or gold to the meeting. He also fined those tables that had no women seated at them.

#### Happy Bucks:

Jack Connolly - Was up first and was \$20 happy in learning that Thomas Hunn Jewelers delivers.

Kelly Anderson- Reported that more than 100 folks came to the open house in Delta at the Egyptian Theater which he recently purchased along with partners. The historic venue will see considerable renovations in the near future, in hopes of returning it to its past glory. The event generated more than \$20,000 in donations.

**Kate Wells-** Was happy for the recent performance by her favorite NFL team the Seattle Seahawks. Probably not quite as giddy this week after their effort in Germany.

Nikki Hunn- Reminded members that Hunn Jewelers replaces Rotarians watch batteries for free, while in turn charging Kiwanians and Lions triple. She also gifted President Tice with vodka she argues is the best anywhere.

Bob Hackett- Very happy to be seeing his four year-old Granddaughter who will be reading her new book, "How to Babysit a Grandfather" to him.

Jim Hale- Was \$20 happy for a new Granddaughter recently born in Hawaii.

**Ed Hokanson**- Happy that his Granddaughter had decided to attend the University of Oregon and for a recent Viking Cruise in Europe that had been delayed several times.

Kirk Rider- Gave \$50 happy bucks in recognition of his 50 years as a member of our club.

Cliff Anson- Also \$20 happy for winning a bet thanks to those Seattle Seahawks. Let's see how he responds to their performance Sunday against Tampa Bay. He also reminded us of the upcoming birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Steve Harrington- Was happy about the upcoming All Services Ball. He also announced that he was seeking silent auction items for that event.

**Bob Johnson-** Also happy about a recent cruise and he presented the President with a gift of caramels from Germany.

Wayne Salladé- Very happy that his beloved Florida State Seminoles had pummeled the Miami Hurricanes, getting them back in the rankings and eligible for a bowl invitation after six years in limbo.

#### **Gifts for the President**

Nikki Hunn- Gave President Aaron several gifts from the recent trip she and Bob Jarvis took to Florida and soon-to-be badly damaged Sanibel/Captiva Island near Ft. Myers.

<u>50/50:</u> Kate Wells took home the cash prize.

Four-Way Test: Nikki Hunn's Son Nick- Guided us in the



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Four-Way Test of what we think, say and do.



**Continue to REMEMBER NOV. 11 Veterans Day** 

contributed by Bob Czarnecki Submitted by Jan Pomrenke

A beautiful tribute to our brave American soldiers who gave their lives to liberated Holland.

#### SILENZIO'...BEAUTIFUL AND HAUNTING

About six miles from Maastricht, in the Netherlands, lie buried 8,301 American soldiers who died in "Operation Market Garden" in the battles to liberate Holland in the fall/winter of 1944. Every one of the men buried in the cemetery, as well as those in the Canadian and British military cemeteries, has been adopted by a Dutch family who mind the grave, decorate it, and keep alive the memory of the soldier they have adopted. It is even the custom to keep a portrait of "their" soldier in a place of honour in their home.

Annually, on "Liberation Day," memorial services are held for "the men who died to liberate Holland." The day concludes with a concert. The final piece is always "Il Silenzio," a memorial piece commissioned by the Dutch and first played in 1965 on the 20th anniversary of Holland's liberation. It has been the concluding piece of the memorial concert ever since.

This year the soloist was a 13-year-old Dutch girl, Melissa Venema, backed by André Rieu and his orchestra (the Royal Orchestra of the Netherlands). This beautiful concert piece is based upon the original version of taps and was composed by Italian composer Nino Rossi.

Wait until the last note is reached ...

http://www.flixxy.com/trumpet-solomelissa-venema.htm