



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

- 11/23 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
- 1/4 Barb Bowman and Mary Garland - Grand Junction Rotary FUNdraiser

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- 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
- 2/24 & 2/25 Banff Film Festival
- 3/4 Snowball Sweepstakes

- 1) Jen photo bombing Peter and Kelly's selfie.
- 2) The Baggers: Cliff, Paul and Tami.
- 3) Kelly presenting dinner.
- 4) The Food Bank Crew: Merritt, Kelly, Debbie, Jen, Cliff, Dana, Gail, Tami, Paul, Miffie, Steve and Kirk.
- 5) Paul Sheriden, Cliff Anson and Navy (our youngest member) getting turkeys to the Clifton Food Bank crew.
- 6) New Member to the Evening Group, Josh Bourassa, sponsored by Andy Sweet.
- 7) Aaron Tice welcomed in three new associate members being brought in by Tyler Dahl.
Welcome Marcel Mavangula, Nevin Carlson, and Jerry Gryglak.
- 8) Proof that Zeb Miracle can smile.



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

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

November 23, 2022



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The
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The Rotary Club of Grand Junction Weekly Bulletin



Aaron Tice
President
2022-2023

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Annual Bellringer Challenge against the Kiwanis



Rotary Club of Grand Junction Spokesman Notes for 11/16/2022 By: Peter Booth

President Aaron Tice opened the meeting at 12:10 by welcoming everyone. President Aaron Tice wanted to share with the Club that over the last week, he has been inspired by the Rotary Club members who helped to stuff Thanksgiving food boxes for the Clifton Christian Church Food Bank. He was inspired by how those members saw a need (the Food Bank needed up to 100 more turkeys for Thanksgiving) and sprung to action to fulfill that need.

The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Ed Hokenson.

Words of Inspiration:

• The *Words of Inspiration* was provided by **Niki Hunn**. She shared her father’s favorite prayer “Oh God Guide Me, Protect Me, Illumine the lamp of my heart and make us all brilliant stars. Thou are the mighty and powerful.”

Music:

• **Merritt Kinsey, Wayne Salladé and Scott Fairbanks**, accompanied by President Aaron Tice, led the group in singing *Grand Old Flag* and *When You’re Smiling*.

Introduction of Guests:

- **Lee Borden** introduced our speaker, **Eli Gerson**.
- **Past President Dale Beede** introduced visiting **Rotarian Hans Schmidt** from Bartlesville, Oklahoma.
- **Andy Sweet** introduced **Josh Bourassa** who is being inducted today.
- **Sheree Fukai** introduced **Nevin Carlson**,

- a new member from Alpine who is being inducted today.
- **John Justman** introduced his wife, **Frances Justman**.
 - **Secretary Peter Booth** introduced **Jerry Gryglak**, a new member from Alpine who is being inducted today.
 - **Past President Tami Beard** introduced **Marcel Mavangula**, a new member from Alpine who is being inducted today.

Announcements:

- **President Aaron Tice** announced that the Kiwanis-Rotary Bellringer Challenge is next week.
- **Secretary Peter Booth** announced the Parade of Lights coming December 3rd. The party starts at 4:00 with the parade starting after dark. It will cost \$30 per person, \$10 for kids 5 to 12, and those who are four and under are free. If you have not signed up yet, please do so as soon as possible.
- **Secretary Peter Booth** announced that we have a few slots left for Salvation Army Bellringing Saturday December 3rd. A signup sheet was passed around.
- **Sheree Fukai** announced that our Club’s matching grant application to District 5470 for the School District #51 tree planting project that has been spearheaded by the Evening Group has been approved. That represents \$5,000 more dollars for the project.
- **Secretary Peter Booth** announced that he and Treasurer Sharon Woodward are passing around a signup sheet for members so they can donate quarterly to D51 School Supplies, Paul Harris, 1st Grade Literacy Project and/or Feinzig Scholarships.

- **President Aaron Tice** announced that the Evening Group is meeting this evening at Edgewater Brewery.

Program:

Lee Borden introduced our speaker, **Eli Gerson**, owner of Ramblebine Brewing Company.

Eli Gerson told us a bit about his brewery and how they make beer. He is a native of the Grand Valley (Fruita High School graduate) who went on to Colorado State University. In 2010, he got a homebrew kit from his wife and fell in love with the process. It became a hobby and then a passion. This led him to the decision to work with his brother-in-law on starting a brewery. When looking for a location, they discovered that Grand Junction beer market was not saturated. So, they found a great location at 5th and Colorado (old livery shop that became a vacuum store) which they renovated for their brewery. They bought their brewing equipment from a local Colorado company in Montrose.

The name is a made-up word (since most of the names have already been trademarked) – Ramblebine. It connects the word “ramble” and “bine/vine.” To them, that means they like to ramble just like a hops bine/vine. They are a tap room brewery, which means the beer is only sold in the brewery. It is not bottled and sold in stores.

Brewing requires water, yeast, hops, and malt. Local water is very soft, so some minerals need to be added. Hops is the bittering aspect. They get most of their hops from Yakima Valley in

Washington. The malt is barley that has been malted. Essentially, it is barley that is starting to grow, then killed trapping the starch in the grain. Yeast is one of the most important ingredients. Yeast eats the sugar allowing it to be fermented, making brewing possible.

Turkeys for Clifton

At the Clifton Food Bank, the Rotarian volunteers learned that there is a need for Thanksgiving turkeys. The Ansons, Kelly Anderson and Jen Price started this effort to raise money for turkeys. Jen Price passed around the “hat” for donation to buy turkeys around (as well as a signup sheet to be billed on your quarterly invoice). We raised approximately \$3,200 for turkeys—yea!!!

New Member Induction

- **Josh Bourassa**, sponsored by **Andy Sweet**, was inducted into the Evening Group.
- **Nevin Carlson**, sponsored by **Tyler Dhal**, was inducted into the Noon Group as Alpine Corporate Associate Member.
- **Jerry Gryglak**, sponsored by **Tyler Dahl**, was inducted into the Noon Group as Alpine Corporate Associate Member.
- **Marcel Mavangula**, sponsored by **Tyler Dhal**, was inducted into the Noon Group as Alpine Corporate Associate Member.
- **Welcome to our Club Josh, Nevin, Jerry and Marcel.**

Secretary Peter Booth announced **Tyler Dahl** is now in the lead for the most-new members in 2022-23 with three (thanks to the inductions today). He is followed by **Peter Booth, Past-President Kirk Rider, Andy Sweet**, and **Katie Davis**, all with one.

Red-Badge Stripping

Since he had completed his Red Badge requirements, **Tyler Dahl’s** new member red badge was ceremoniously removed by **Secretary Peter Booth**. **Congrats Tyler!**

Happy Bucks:

- **Wayne Salladé** was happy about the success of his Seminoles. Also, he got a call from Fort Meyers Beach, Florida asking him to lead a six-month recovery effort from that last hurricane. Wayne was glad he could decline the offer because he is happy here in Grand Junction.
- **Past-President Merritt Kinsey** is happy to be celebrating his 73rd birthday.
- **Ken Mabery** was happy that **Past-**

President Merritt Kinsey invited him to the GJSO gala.

- **Miffie Blozovich** was happy to have helped with the food bank. She shared the contents of the Thanksgiving bags we put together—two cans of green beans, can of corn, can of pineapple, can of sweet potatoes, chicken bouillon, gravy mix- and candy.
- **Ed Hokanson** was happy to report that he stopped by to see **Past-President Dee Brinegar** and that he is available for visitors. He is at Villa Grande.
- **Gwen DeCino** was happy that she was able to go to the HopeWest holiday event last Saturday and see her daughter in the fashion show.
- **Sheree Fukai** was happy to see all the wonderful projects she saw coming through the District 5470 Matching Grant committee. She was also happy that she and Aki won the Viking River Cruise in Europe at the GJSO gala.
- **President-Elect Nominee Niki Hunn** was happy that her husband, Bob Jarvis, already bought her Christmas gift at the GJSO gala—a signed Pink Floyd record album.
- **Paul Sheridan**, chair of the Clifton Christian Church Food Bank, expressed his gratitude for Rotary’s generosity.
- **Jim Hale** expressed gratitude to the giving nature of the Grand Junction community and for the successful food drive that his church did.
- **John Justman** is happy for his wife who literally saved his life by insisting he go to the hospital.
- **Secretary Peter Booth** was happy that *Captain Kindness* (Jim Hale) was not run over by the GJHS Marching Band semi-truck in the Veterans Day parade.

Raffle:

- **Steve Schultz** won the raffle.

Four Way Test was led by **Vance Wagner**.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30.



A Blessed Thanksgiving by Jan Pomrenke

I'm Late, I'm late
For this very important date
The Turkey needs thawed
Potatoes need peeled
My head is a disaster
My mind is in left field
But it is that time of year
To bring someone more cheer
So Invite a friend
Who lives alone
Cooking they won't do
They would love to be with you
Maybe a neighbor on your block
Who just watches the clock
Go tick tok
Go give their door a knock
Caring for friends and loved ones
Who might have empty banks
It's not about the money
But fellowship and sharing thanks
Someone who has lost a loved one
A husband, a friend, a wife
Or their best affair
We all need someone who cares
Now's our opportunity
To help round out their lives
A few years ago my **Wild friend Larry**
Printed my poem
Stuck it in a card
Took along some flowers
And a big bottle of Chard
Went over to the Durhams
Had himself a "right fine time"
Now that's the way you do it
And it's not all on your dime
Now I'm not saying Larry's cheap
Frankly he's a guest
That's really sweet
So think about it my dear friends
It makes the time more fun
They might help peel those Potatoes
And help make the salad
And bring tomatoes
I like my greens
With my turkey leg
Don't forget the cranberries
For those I beg!

Happy Thanksgiving

To You and Yours!
(Year end reminder...
Keep your affairs in order!)

