



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

- 11/9 Don Campbell, Succulent Society
- 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

- 11/9 Don Campbell, Succulent Society and Grand Junction Rotary Foundation Annual Update
- 11/9 Board Meeting
- 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 sun sets)
- 12/3 Salvation Army Bellringer
- 12/18 Banff Committee
- 12/21 No Meeting
- 12/28 No Meeting

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

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letters, stories, program info, etc. is
Monday, week of publication, 10 am

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Aaron Tice
President
2022-2023

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Don Campbell, Succulent Society

Don Campbell has been growing cacti & succulents both indoors and outdoors for over 30 years. He is a member and founder of the Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society (CCSS) in Grand Junction. He is also a member of the Colorado Cactus & Succulent Society along with the Cactus and Succulent Society of America.

He designed and supervised the installation of two highly regarded rock gardens featuring cold-hardy cacti, succulents and other xeric plants at the Western Colorado Botanical Gardens in Grand Junction and at the Mesa County Extension Office.



Rotary Club of Grand Junction Spokesman Notes for 11/2/2022 By: Michael McCormick

President Aaron Tice called the meeting to order at the Bookcliff Country Club and began the meeting by thanking his wife **Bailey** for hosting the Past Presidents and their spouses at the Tice home last week. President Aaron wanted it known that he did little to nothing to prepare their house, the food and beverages as he was out of town for the two weeks prior to the Past President's dinner... good job **Bailey!**

Words of Inspiration- Captain Joe West from the GJ branch of the Salvation Army shared Martin Luther's "peace if possible and truth at all costs".

President Aaron asked Chris Unfug, Merritt Kinsey and Kelly Anderson to join pianist Huey in the singing of "This is My Country" and "Rhinstone Cowboy". Thank you, gents!

Guests-

Nikki Hunn introduced **Tamari Bachman**, a corporate member of this club and longtime employee of Thomas Hunn Jewelers.

Zeb Miracle introduced **Kristy Douglas** and **JJ Fletcher**, our speakers for today's meeting.

Kirk R introduced soon-to-be inducted new member **Steve Harrington** and his wife, Virginia.

Kelly A introduced **Mollie Shepardson** from the GJSO and **Kelsie Bearcat**, a potential club member.

Andy Sweet introduced Marcel, a corporate member of the club from Alpine Bank.

Rick A introduced **Tyler McDonald** CMU student and Feinzig scholarship recipient.

Announcements

Captain Joe West provided a brief update on the upcoming Rotary/Kiwanis Salvation Army bellringing event. The event will be held on **December 3rd, 2022**. Please sign up to ring a bell and raise some money for a worthy organization.

President Aaron announced Parade of Lights will be held later on December 3rd, 2022. The club has reserved the Avalon's second floor for the club members to enjoy some food, beverages and fellowship that evening while we watch the parade pass by on Main Street. The evening group has reserved the



lower level of the Avalon to promote an evening group fundraising event designed to raise funds to purchase and plant trees at area schools. Please email **Peter Booth** if you would like to reserve seats at the Avalon.

Kelly Anderson announced that the Clifton Food Bank has an event planned November 15th (from 4-6pm) that could use our support- putting Thanksgiving food boxes together that will be distributed November 21st.

Merritt Kinsey announced **Barb Bowman** stepped in a hole and broke her foot last night- Barb asked Merritt to announce that tickets for the upcoming Banff Film Festival is available now through the Avalon website. Please reserve your seats soon to assure you can secure the seats of your choosing.

Wayne Salladé announced KKCO will be presenting a video on the work of the Salvation Army this Saturday at 4pm.

Ken Mabery announced the Task Force on Club Bylaw review will be meeting right after this meeting.

President Aaron announced that the evening group is meeting tonight at

Edgewater Brewery, and the Board is meeting next week here at Bookcliff Country Club.

President Aaron thanked **Peter Booth** for keeping the Club informed through emails to club members and officers.

Today's Program

Zebulun Miracle introduced today's speakers, **Kristy Douglas** Executive Director Harmony Acres. **JJ Fletcher** board President.

Kristy shared that she founded Harmony Acres 8 years ago. Harmony Acres is a counseling and therapy organization that helps people of all ages, who have a wide range of emotional and psychological issues through the use of counseling and equine engagement. The program has grown significantly since its' inception 8 years ago.

JJ Fletcher is a Palisade business owner who has a strong interest in horses and trail riding. JJ said he became involved in Harmony Acres while challenged by a difficult recovery from a life threatening accident. JJ became a client of Harmony Acres, benefitting from Kristy's help to get "back in the saddle" again. JJ was so impacted by the services during his recovery, he committed to stay involved with the organization by becoming a board member.

Kristy shared that Harmony Acres is a place for healing for children or adults- including military veterans who are dealing with a variety of disabilities or traumas- physical or psychological to obtain the support they need. The majority of Harmony Acres clients are children right now- the client mix fluctuates from time to time.

New Member Induction

Steve Harrington was inducted by

President Aaron Tice today. Steve was sponsored by Kirk Rider. Kirk introduced Steve- who grew up in Steamboat Springs. His father was a Rotarian and Steve was a Rotary Youth Exchange participant- spending a school year in Norway. Steve shared that he feels it an honor to join the Rotary Club of Grand Junction and feels Rotary is in his blood. Steve said he met his wife in Brazil during a Rotary activity there.

President Aaron removed **Zebulun Miracle's** Red Badge today, signifying Zebulun has met all the requirements of new members to become a 'full-fledged' member.

Past President Peter Booth announced the return of the new member recruitment competition- last year's winners were **Peter Booth** and **Dave Huerkamp**. Please help introduce Rotary to community members who have interests in serving the community and the world by bringing them to a future club meeting... the winner of this year's competition will take home the trophy currently shared by Dave and Peter.

Gifts for the President

Wayne Salladé gave President Aaron a variety of gifts from his recent trip to Florida. A tee shirt for Aaron, gifts for each of Aaron's children... very thoughtful, Wayne!

Steve Doyle gave President Aaron a nice Avalon Theater shirt.

Jack Connolly gave President Aaron a bag of money from the Denver Mint.

Fines

President Aaron fined **Jack Connolly's** table because he is sitting at a table of all women.

Raffle

Rotarian **Jim Hale** won today's raffle drawing... Congratulations Jim!

November Anniversaries by Jan Pomrenke

Anniversaries are always
A very big deal
Service above serve
Along with a nice meal



First we have

The big leader with 41 years
That's **Jack Connolly**
In Rotary these days
That's an anomaly

Barbara Bowman
Our pretty past President
Now has a sweet 16
Just back from somewhere
Working on our movies always
For the film festival

Chris Thomas our hospital guy
Has a whopper 14
We will see him more around the bend
His business never ends

Now for a grand stand... **Joseph Kuntz**
Has finished his fourth
I like his email:
endeavorforgreatness@gmail.com

Jennette Price now comes down the aisle
She has finished her third
With a great big smile

Then along comes **Zebulun Miracle**
Winning his first
I remember him dancing for us
Beautiful steps that were also a first
For Rotary.....a true exhibition
Not our normal program tradition

Also his first year
now completed
Donovan...And that would be **Tim**
His presence is always
A win, win

AND

Now we have
Congratulations to all
With **BEST** wishes
for
A Very
Happy Anniversary
To each one of **YOU!**
Here you should probably sing
🎉 Rotary Smiles 🎉