



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**

Ken Mabery, Co-Chair

Lee Borden, Co-Chair

## Upcoming Programs

6/21 Legends, Miffie Blozovich  
6/28 Outgoing Presidential Address, Aaron Tice  
7/5 No Meeting due to Independence Day Holiday  
7/12 Incoming Presidential Address, Steve Schultz  
7/19 Matt Smith, GJPD Chief of Police

If you have an idea for future programs, contact the Program Committee—Lee Borden, Ken Mabrey, Zeb Miracle, Rick Adleman, and Bobbie Danials.

## Upcoming Events and Meetings

6/21 Evening Group  
7/21 Glade Park Movie Under the Stars showing of *Encanto*, sponsored by Rotary Club of Grand Junction

If you want a committee meeting or event listed, please contact Peter.



1. Andy Sweet earned the Rotarian of the Year Award. 2. The Service Above Self Award went to Christy Whitney Borchard. 3. Patsy Day earned her next level Paul Harris award. 4. The Not-Ready-for-Prime-Time Singers going at it. 5. Steve Harrington and Katie Turley of Colorado awarded Rotary a check for \$8,330.68 to be used on Rotary's educational program. These funds were readied at Colorado's Western Colorado Hero Classic Golf Tournament.

### Updating 2023-2024 Rotary Club of Grand Junction Directory

It is time to revise our Club's Rotary directory. If you have a listing in the current directory, please look over your entry and let me know if there are any additions, subtractions, or changes. If you are new, make sure Peter has the information you want to be in your listing. Also, the Rotary Directory is a wonderful way to get your organization's name in front of a select group of community leaders. In addition, advertising is what makes the directory possible. So, consider promoting your business in the directory. For those who placed an ad last year, let me know if you want to renew your notice and if you have any changes. If you have not placed an advertisement in the directory before, it is a wonderful way to support the Club and get your name in front of some of the most influential people in the community.

The ads come in three sizes: Quarter page--\$80 | Half page--\$150 | Full page--\$265.

Contact Peter for information, to submit changes and to place an ad in the directory.

**No Meeting July 5th.** Because of the Independence Day holidays, neither the Noon nor Evening Groups will meet on July 5th

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 am,  
Bookcliff Country Club  
2730 G Rd,  
Grand Junction, CO

### Evening Rotary Group

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 5:30 pm,  
Edgewater Brewery  
Check with Club Secretary  
for upcoming location.

### Horizon Sunrise

Thursday at 7:15 am,  
Redlands Community Center  
625 24 1/2 Road  
Grand Junction, CO

### Redlands Rotary

Friday at 12:00 pm,  
Ocotillo Restaurant at Redlands Golf Club  
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

June 21, 2023



**IMAGINE  
ROTARY**

The  
**Spokesman**  
*The Rotary Club of Grand Junction Weekly Bulletin*



**Aaron Tice**  
President  
2022-2023

## 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

**Ken Mabery**  
Community Service

**Joe Kuntz**  
Community Service

**Niki Hunn**  
President Elect Nominee

**Andy Sweet**  
Membership Development

**Katie Davis**  
Evening Group Representative

**Sam Kevan**  
District Governor

**Kelly Anderson**  
Assistant District Governor

**Jennifer Jones**  
Rotary International President



## Legends with Miffie Blozovich

Miffie Blozovich has lived in Grand Junction for over 57 years. She attended Central High School and CMU when it was Mesa Jr. College. She was very active in the theater department, being selected to join the very first Summer Theater Program under William S. Robinson.

After an early career in advertising and marketing, she spent 12 years as a stay-at-home mom and found herself volunteering to raise money for Holy Family School. Once she discovered how rewarding that was, she landed her first job as Director of Fundraising for United Way. She followed that with fundraising for the Mesa County Library Foundation, the Museums of Western Colorado, and Habitat for Humanity. She is currently Major Gifts Director for St. Mary's Hospital Foundation.

Her fundraising brought her to serve on the boards for The American Cancer Society, Colorado West Land Trust (President), the Wayne Aspinall Foundation (President), The Mesa County Historical Society (President), The Colorado National Monument Association and River's Edge West. It is also what brought her to co-chair the Legends of the Grand Valley Historic Sculpture Project for 13 years.

Outside of the Legends Project, the most cherished (and somewhat quirky) adventures have been flying with Gateway Canyons Air Tours, being a tour guide for Eagle Tree Tours, managing the Thunder Mountain Pipe Band and - most of all - living the life of a mother and grandmother! Magical moments in her life!



## Rotary Club of Grand Junction Spokesman Notes for 6/14/2023 By: Wayne P. Salladé

**Regular Meeting** - President **Aaron Tice** welcomed a nearly full house to hear a review of our Rotary year and to find out who would take home the coveted Rotarian of the Year award.

**Words of Inspiration** were provided by **Steve Doyle** as he shared his daily five-word prayer: Let It Begin With Me! He said that starting his day with those few words is enough to keep him be guided and grounded the rest of the day. It's as simple as that.

**Jen Price** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Our singing crew welcomed back our fearless leader **Chris Unfug**, who along with **Kelly Anderson, Merritt Kinsey and your editor** were accompanied by Hughie Plumley on the piano. We then offered our renditions of **The Star-Spangled Banner** followed by **Happy Days Are Here Again** in honor of the Denver Nuggets NBA Championship. **Chris** shared that 56 years ago his Dad had taken him to see the Denver Rockets of the ABA at the Coliseum.

### Introduction of Guests:

• **Nikki Hunn** had a long list of folks on hand in support of our honoree Christy Whitney Borchard, founder and retired CEO of Hope West, who would be receiving our **Service Above Self Award**. Also on hand was her Husband Kent, Daughters Ashley and Melissa. Her

Granddaughter K.K. Calkins as well as Jeremy Ratliff, Karen Fisher and Debra Horowitz.

• **Miffie Blozovich** introduced her friend Pat Tucker.  
• **Steve Harrington** welcomed Katie Turley.  
• **Peter Booth** pointed out that K.K. Calkins (Palisade H.S.) had attended RYLA last week sponsored by our club.

### Announcements:

• **Peter Booth** wanted to make sure all had reviewed our club directory for accuracy before the new edition goes to print. He also presented **Merritt Kinsey** with a Rotary mug that he won for correctly answering Rotary Magazine. He reminded us that we would be sponsoring the movie **Encanto** at Movie Under the Stars at Glade Park on July 21st. Also, nominations for future officers are now open. Finally, today marks the start of Summer and he asked members to wear their best Hawaiian shirt.

### Awards:

• **Nikki Hunn** introduced our guest of honor, Christy Whitney Borchard as the recipient of our **Service Above Self Award**. Until recently upon her retirement, she is the only CEO Hope West ever had. She thanked our club for the coveted honor and intimated that most all members of our club had contributed in some way to her success.  
• **President Aaron** announced our prestigious **Rotarian of the Year Award**. He selected **Andy Sweet** for the honor and our favorite barber was

quite surprised and humbled to have been chosen. He thanked the club for recognizing his many contributions to our success.

### Check Presentation:

• **Steve Harrington** and Katie Turley of Coloramo Federal Credit Union presented a check from their recent Western Colorado Hero Classic golf tournament. The check presented to our club's foundation was for more than \$8,300. Those funds will assist our school supply and 1st Grade literacy efforts.

### Program:

• **Sheree Fukai** presented our Rotary Year in Review by detailing where the fruits of our labor had gone in support of the many Grand Valley organizations. Everything from the Banff Film Festival to the Snowball Sweepstakes. In addition, our other endeavors were recalled, including the Golf Tournament, various scholarships, Food Bank of the Rockies, the literacy program, school supplies, the Robinhood Fund and Salvation Army bellringing. Our total community giving totaled \$176,000, which was \$11,000 more than last year.

### Gifts For the President:

• **Ken Mabery** brought President Aaron a gift of a pen from his recent three-week European trip.  
• **Mari Garland** presented our Dear Leader with a Grand Canyon wine skin from her recent

mule trip along the canyon's rim with her Daughter.

• **Cliff Anson** presented Aaron a bottle of wine from Paso Robles in California's wine country.

### Paul Harris Award:

**Merritt Kinsey** presented **Patsi Day** her Paul Harris +3 pin. He reminded members they can have regular donations on their bill and that you can also donate from any IRA required distribution and pay no taxes on that amount.

### Happy Bucks:

• **Merritt Kinsey** gave \$5 happy bucks for Andy Sweet being named Rotarian of the Year.  
• Your Editor gave \$5 for the Classy Denver Nuggets and their NBA title.  
• **Lee Borden** was happy for Christy Whitney as well as Andy Sweet and his 61st birthday or the 40th Anniversary of turning 21.  
• **Sharon Woodward** was happy for a U.S. flag being flown in her neighborhood by an Afghan refugee who stated how proud he was to be able to do so.

• **Andy Sweet** was happy for his award.  
• **Sheree Fukai** was happy to be with us after a recent stay at St. Mary's.

• **Ken Mabery** was \$20 happy for a variety of reasons related to his vacation and also finally seeing a Paleontology Survey at the Colorado National Monument, the first since 1980. The surveyors found more than 200 sites and that's just what they had found before he left on vacation.

• **Nikki Hunn** had \$50 happy bucks for **Andy Sweet, Christy Whitney and Steve Harrington**.

• **Chris Unfug** was happy for all the awards presented and a **Spokesman** from **Cliff Anson** that dated back to his term as President.

• **Steve Harrington** was happy to see K.K. Calkins, who had attended RYLA and rated it 10 of 10.

• **Peter Booth** was happy for the award winners and his recent efforts at Special Olympics.

• **Aaron Tice** gave \$10 in remembrance of the \$10,000

### 50/50:

- Christy Whitney's Husband Kent Borchard took home the weekly prize.

### Four-Way Test:

- **Rick Adleman** led us in the treasured pledge we follow in what we think, say or do as Rotarians.

## Club Nominations Now Open

In accordance with the recently adopted Bylaw Changes (Approved May 10, 2023), we are notifying the Club that nominations are now open for:

- President-Elect Nominee (to serve 2025-26)
- three new Board members
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Nominations need to be made to any member of the nominating committee which includes the any available Past-President, President (Aaron Tice before June 30th, Steve Schultz after July 1st), Secretary, Treasurer, and yet un-designation at-large member from the Board. Nomination will close prior to that committee's meeting on August 3, 2023.

The election of the Club offices will be at the Annual Meeting on October 11, 2023



Very Impressive! Congratulations.

**June Anniversaries**  
by Jan Pomrenke

I don't quite have my head on  
This will be a little tough  
Simply big years  
BUT...It's always enough

The oldest guy is **Bill Sisson**  
In terms of **Service Years**  
**38** big ones and he listens  
For that we will cheer

**Awesome 32...Greg Walcher** so kind  
Wondering what 2023 has in his mind

Then we go to **21** with **Paul Petersen**  
Merchants he has  
And always appreciates them

**Steve Erkenbrack** has **18** fine  
We love seeing him when he has time

**Mike Lowenstein** has the sum of **13**  
He keeps working and has  
His own traveling elf

**Rick Adleman** it seems has **12**  
Representing CMU and paints  
Scenes with the look of wealth

**Mark Achen** has a fine **11**  
And doing different things  
I wonder if he has  
Floated the river...that would be Heaven

**David Conner and Herb Feinzig,**  
**Now have 7**  
**They stay in the mix, zags and zigs**

Then we have several  
Who each have now five years  
....Yay... And they are:  
**Lee Borden,**  
**and Gar Kennedy and**  
**Sarah Winnefeld**

And some other fine members are:  
**Peter Icenogle, and Max Taylor**  
All have finished their fourth year.

**Jim Hale** our Pastor  
Has completed his third  
It's June and he likes Asters  
  
Beautiful and trustworthy  
**Nannette Allen-Brown**  
**and Russ Dawson**  
**have completed their**  
**Very first year!**

**Congratulations to all of YOU!**  
**It's Service Above Self!**

**Happy Anniversary!**

**On a side note.....The information**  
**For the Birthday and Anniversary column**  
Comes from the **Rotary International**  
**"Club Runner" Data. If we ever have**  
**your info wrong.....please go to the**  
**Rotary International website**  
**and FIX YOUR STUFF**  
**Or tell the Club Secretary**  
**Because**  
**I did not make it up 🙄**  
**And you know**  
**I am almost perfect 🙄**