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Meet at the Silver Legacy - Silver Baron Rooms

Monday's Program

Cam Sorenson

1st Year Anniversary of Reno Ice



Cam grew up in Canada and has participated in organized hockey programs across North America. Professionally, Cam brings more than 25 years of

leadership and business development experience (most of which right here in northern Nevada) working with such world class companies as Starbucks, Intuit, and Best Buy. He's an active board member with EDawn and has also volunteered with Sierra Inline Hockey League and the Society of Human Resource Managers. In addition, Cam has extensive youth program coaching experience, 10 years with the American Youth Soccer Organization soccer and 15 years with youth hockey.

You can join us with Zoom:

Online Meeting Instructions:

Monday, April 25

12:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Information:

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN MEETING](#)

Membership Information

Please contact **David Spillers** at david@digiprintcorporation.com if you have any membership questions or need information about joining our club.

Upcoming Events

District Conference

Harrah's Lake Tahoe

April 29 - May 1, 2022

Club Leadership Assembly

Sparks Nugget

May 21, 2022

Upcoming Speakers

Phil Mahoney

May 2, 2022

Polio Plus

Jimmy Bean Wool

May 9, 2022

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Last Meeting Volunteers

Thought of the Day:	Maria Sheehan
Pledge:	Laurie Leonard
Greeter	Ron Percivalle
Scanner	Julie Griffiths
Online Zoom Greeter:	Debe Fennell
Zoom Operator:	Rich Schreinert
Sergeant At Arms	Gayle Sherman

Honor Roll

Charlie Dodson	\$100
Mariluz Garcia	\$100
Tom Hall	\$200
Pat Horgan	\$100
Steve Kent	\$500
Maria Sheehan	\$500

Sunshine Report Contact Information

If you have any information about yourself or fellow Rotarians that you would like announced at the weekly meeting, please contact **Stefanie Scoppettone** at: scops@unr.edu, **Mike Blakely** at mdblakely@charter.net, or **Pat Horgan** at horganpat@ymail.com.

2022 Voyage to Change Lives Rotary District 5190 District Conference

Golf, Parade of Presidents, Speech and Music Contests, and Amazing Keynote Speakers!

April 29 - May 1
Harrah's Lake Tahoe

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Rotary clubs unite across continents to collect and deliver medical aid to Ukraine

Two cargo planes packed with tons of medical equipment have already been flown from Chicago to Ukraine where members helped to unload the supplies.

by Arnold R. Grahl, Rotary.org

Rotary members in North America, Argentina, and Europe are collaborating with a U.S.-based association of Ukrainian health care workers and using their connections to collect and ship more than 100 tons of critical medical supplies to Ukraine.

Two cargo planes packed with tourniquets, blood-clotting gauze, blood pressure equipment, and other items have already been flown from the city of Chicago in the United States to Europe, where members help unload the supplies and get them to Ukraine.

Rotary members in Ukraine, where Russia's military action has caused a humanitarian crisis, are in daily contact with hospitals to determine what supplies are needed most.

"It is Rotary doing what Rotary does best," says Pat Merryweather-Arges, a Rotary International director-elect and member of the Rotary Club of Naperville, Illinois, USA. "It networks, pulls people together, and gets the job done."

North American and Argentine Rotary clubs are combining their resources to purchase items from the list of needed supplies. They're also working with contacts at pharmaceutical companies and medical equipment manufacturers to arrange donations. A hospital in Peoria, Illinois, sent an ambulance, and members in Maine, USA, secured a C-arm, a mobile imaging device that can be used to X-ray people for shrapnel.

Supplies are streaming into a warehouse operated by the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America (UMANA) near O'Hare International Airport in Chicago. And more are on the way. Rotary clubs in the U.S. states of Nebraska and Iowa are collecting supplies to fill several large cargo trucks that will drive hundreds of miles to the warehouse in Chicago.

Inside the warehouse, UMANA and Rotary volunteers organize, sort, and bundle the items before they are shipped. Several donors have made contributions that offset the cost of shipping.

"It's amazing what one Rotarian talking to another Rotarian can accomplish," says Marga Hewko, president of the Rotary Club of Chicago.

Hewko is the spouse of Rotary International General Secretary and CEO John Hewko, who is of Ukrainian descent and is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Kyiv. The Hewkos lived in Ukraine for five years during the 1990s.

Earlier this year, Marga Hewko and the Rotary Club of Chicago had been working with doctors in Chicago and Ukraine to establish a stem cell storage facility for

cancer patients in the Ukrainian city of Lviv that would allow the cells to be stored longer and enable more complex research.

That initiative shifted to a new focus when the war began.

"We were reaching out to the Ukrainian community in Chicago to learn how we could help, and at the same time, we already knew these doctors," says Marga Hewko. "That is how I found out about UMANA."

It was an ideal match. UMANA, founded in 1950, promotes education through conferences and exchanges of doctors between the U.S. or Canada and Ukraine. After the war started, UMANA volunteers began sending medical aid to Ukraine and using their network of doctors and pharmaceutical companies to get supplies and equipment. Rotary clubs soon joined the project.

Marga Hewko, who is from Argentina, used her contacts there to bring Argentine clubs into the effort, and those members are also using their connections to obtain funds and equipment.

During a tour of the UMANA warehouse, Marga Hewko, Merryweather-Arges, and Jane Hopkins, the governor of District 6450 in Illinois, praised the efficiency and scale of the operation.

"UMANA is simply amazing," Merryweather-Arges says. "We opted to work with them because they are well connected to the Ukrainian community in Chicago and have worked to sort and pack nearly 400 pallets of supplies."

Members in Ukraine continue to develop the list of needed supplies. Olha Paliychuk, who is a surgeon, a member of the Rotary Club of Cherkasy, and a member of the Turkey-Ukraine intercountry committee, calls hospitals each night.

The delivery of the items to hospitals is coordinated by Paliychuk in Cherkasy; by Borys Bodnar, of the Rotary Club of Ukraine Unity Passport, in Lviv; and by Mykola Stebljanko, of the Rotary E-Club of Ukraine, in Odesa.

Marga Hewko says the actions of members in and outside of Ukraine demonstrate the power of Rotary's network.

"In the middle of the war, when some of the targets of the Russian army are hospitals, the fact that we have volunteers in Ukraine driving supplies across their country — if that is not Service Above Self, I don't know what is," she says.

Notes

the 4 way test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities.