

Rotary Club of Grass Valley



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The Spoke



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Meeting Highlights 3/26/18

Pledge – Tom Stanley
Setup – Ken Holbrook & Don Daniels
Thought for the day – Ron Parks
Greeter – Don Daniels

Visiting Rotarians: Steve Mestre from the Reno club, our speaker for today, and District Membership Chair

Club Focus Meeting & Announcements:

- Reminder to send **Tim McCall** the hours we contribute to Rotary each month – either by email or by the monthly form.
- Board meeting 3/27 at 5:30 at President Scott's office
- 4/3** is the Area Speech Contest – President Scott will send an email with details. Member attendance needed, encouraged, and appreciated.
- The Tree Planting Day was rescheduled to **4/7**. An email will be sent out with the details, including info about a photo opportunity at the Fairgrounds (in the RV parking area) on **4/6** at 1:00
- 4/7** is the Club Leadership Assembly at the Nugget in Sparks, NV. All are encouraged to attend – about 1,000 signed-up so far
- The Gold Country Challenge – on **5/19** – has received about \$5,000 of the \$13,000 goal in sponsorships. As of today, there are 75 riders registered. Emails will be sent to help encourage more participation. Chair, **Bob Long**, still needs more volunteers, the sign-up sheet was passed around.
- We **still** need Polio Plus donations to reach our Club's goal. Please, give more, and more!
- Rod and Susan Fivelstad** did a presentation to encourage participation in Rotary Fellowships. There are over 70 Fellowship groups now registered with Rotary International – including one for sailing, one for wine appreciation, one for golfing. The Fivelstads are members of the musician fellowship, and have really enjoyed it.
- Tom Lathrop**, our most senior member, and a Rotary member for 55 years, has moved to Honorary status. Well done!
- Our club currently has 70 members – up 9 from June 2017
- We have over \$31,000 in the club checking account, with more coming from Casino Night accounts receivable.
- We've made \$20,163 in Foundation gifts, so far this club-year
- We've made \$21,528 Community Donations (to Fire and Hurricane victims, etc), so far this club-year
- March birthdays (2) and anniversaries (4) were announced

Speakers:

- 4/2 Nevada County Youth Speech Contestants
- 4/9 County Supervisor Hank Weston

Dates to Remember:

- Apr 3 Area Speech Contest
- Apr 7 Club Leadership Assembly—Nugget in Sparks
- Apr 7 Tree Planting
- May 18-20 District Conference—Reno
- May 19 Gold Country Bike Challenge
- June 23-27 Rotary International Convention Toronto, Canada

- Service Above Self awards, and Casino Night "cards of excellence" were presented. See the full list on back page.

Speaker:

Today's speaker was **Steve Mestre**, President of the Reno Rotary Club, who helped us learn more about Club Culture – and Fundraising.

His highlights were:

Join Rotary, it helps you live longer
Rotary is easy to "sell" since we serve each other

Clubs that are willing to try something new, and work as a team, grow and make progress.

Purpose = Service

Belonging = Friendship

Clubs lose members due to "burnout" on financial requests and/or time required to serve.

What does a donor want to know?

What is the money is doing/accomplishing?

What was the outcome?

How did it make a difference?

How do we ensure our fiduciary responsibility? (Making sure the money goes where the donor donated it to go)

He suggested using Crowdfunding – via the site: <https://givingtrail.org/> - and sending emails with the following info:

What is Rotary?

A compliment towards those receiving the email

Encouraging them to potentially be a member

Inviting people to a Rotary meeting

Then ask for the donation

The club's public image opens doors and attracts interest

He suggested we have a Kick-Off Party, with a 15-minute fundraiser

Why donate?

Share awareness on social media

Email donation requests to personal contacts (using the previous two steps) once a month for four months.



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P.O. Box 1213 – Grass Valley, CA 95945
Meeting location: **Monday** at 12:15 PM
Holbrooke Hotel, 212 W. Main St, GV

Make Up Meetings

Members who miss a regular meeting may make-up by attending any other Rotary club's meeting within 14 days before or after the missed meeting.

Tuesday

7:00 a.m. Grass Valley South,
[Union Square Bldg](#)— 6pm social
last Tues of month
12:00 Auburn, [Auburn Elks Lodge](#)
12:15 Penn Valley, [Players Pizza](#)
5:00 Auburn Sunset, [Sierra Grill](#)

E-makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

Wednesday

7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club,
[Trolley Junction, Nevada City](#)

Thursday

12:15 Auburn Gold Country
[The Ridge Golf Course](#)
12:00 Nevada City, [Trolley Junction, Nevada City](#) Except 1st & 3rd Thurs @ 5:30pm

Lunch Menu

Cheeseburger and fries
 Fish Tacos (3) and cole slaw
 Chicken breast sandwich and small green salad
 Whole Caesar salad
 Soup of the Day

3/26/18 Meeting Highlights cont'd

Drawing:

Tim McCall's ticket was pulled by Steve Mestre, then Tim selected a white marble... getting close to only have the black marble left!

All joined together on the 4 Way Test, the meeting adjourned a little after 1:20



- The Service Above Self Awards went to Kathy Egenes and Judy Bagley for the Silent Auction at Casino Night – LOTS of \$\$\$!



- Tom Stanley and Doug Noonan for Casino Night food – YUMMY!
- Sandra Barrington received an "Ace of Décor" for Casino Night



- Monty East – aka "Show Me the Money Monty" – did excellent work as a sponsor finder and raffle fundraiser



- Kris Stepanian received a "Queen of the graphics" for her creation posters and advertisements



- Ken Holbrook, Rick Utermoehlen, and John Peplowski were named "Three Kings of games"



- Eric Trygg received a "Jack of all trades" for helping with advertising, greeting and wherever needed.
- Fred Claessens was thanked for his photos at all events, and the excellent (and fun) photo booth
- Rod and Susan Fivelstad received a "pair of Aces" for their work at the front desk
- Bob Long was acknowledged as having an "Ace up his sleeve" as MC

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Rotary Community Awards Presented 3/28/18



Marty Lombardi
 Volunteer of the Year



David Jones
 Citizen of the Year



SPD Market
 Business of the Year

[See the full photo album of the Award's dinner here](#)



Making a Difference

Marty Lombardi Volunteer of the Year SPD Markets Business of the Year David Jones Citizen of the Year

Rotary Community Awards Ceremony

The Heart of the Gold Country



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Rotary International's theme for April is Maternal and Child Health Month . At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, Rotary International provides immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improves access to essential medical services, and supports trained health care providers for mothers and their children. Rotary's projects ensure sustainability by empowering the local community to take ownership of health care training programs.