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The Spoke



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Meeting Notes for April 20, 2015

Our Greeter was **Chuck Elizondo**, **Scott Spencer** led the pledge, and **Bobbie Swanson** gave us a very provocative thought for the day. Thanks to Ken, with the help of Monty, for preparing the room. And to Larry for straightening the flag. Visiting today was a friend of Eric's – **Shawna McDonald**. And Anita again introduced **Dan Reese**.

Bob, The Big Spoke, Long was asked to make an announcement and what else – The Gold Country Challenge. Donations are off the chart, thanks in large part to Tri-Counties Bank our signature sponsor and Auburn Honda. So I guess the message is, get a loan at TriCounties and buy a Honda. :) Still more volunteers needed and the club responded. Thanks all.

Pres Steve reminded us this Saturday is Rotary At Work Day. The sun will not set on April 24 without a Rotarian, somewhere in the world, working on a project. Pres Steve will post the tasks on club runner. We meet at 8:00 at the Habitat project off of Whiting Street in Grass Valley. Remember to bring gloves and eye protection. Ear plugs and a hat may also be of help. If you plan to bring your own tool belt and actually know how to use it, call Scott and volunteer for one of the more technical jobs. ******This is a Rain or Shine work day. With rain in the immediate forecast, there will be projects for us to complete indoors at the Habitat Restore on Loma Rica Drive. Plan on meeting first at the Habitat building site off of Whiting Street before heading up to the ReStore.**

Our speaker today was **Ellen Peresa**, she was a wealth of information. First she briefed us on the Food Bank. They help approximately 3000 families per month; providing 20,000 lbs of fresh produce per month. And if that is not enough, they also provide healthy snacks for 2178 kids in school programs. Consider there are only 40,000 households in Nevada County. 7.5% are receiving help from the Food Bank.



Speakers:

- Apr 27 Sandra Barrington & Eric Trygg—Guide Dogs of America**
- May 4 Bob Long—Gold Country Challenge preparations**

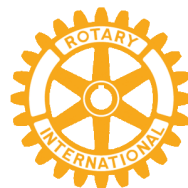
Dates to Remember:

- Apr 25, 2015 Rotary at Work Day**
- May 09, 2015 2nd annual Gold Country Bike Challenge**
- May 14-17 District Conference, South Lake Tahoe**

So from where does the fresh produce come? Some from right here in our County through the Garden Program. The farms are found behind Green and Gold and the Penn Valley Community Center. With the help of Caseywood, Rare Earth, Green and Gold, Empire Fence and 20 other local merchants; more than 50 4 x 8 foot planters were built, planted, and irrigated. More are being built in Penn Valley. Over a ton of fresh produce is harvested each year.

And, finally, we learned about the progress of the Penn Valley Community Center. Their permits are all falling into place and with that, the funding. They hope to break ground in March 2016. The site will house a library, performing arts center, and other office space.

Bob Lenhard held the lucky ticket, but failed to find the white marble.



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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.

E-makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

Tuesday

7:00 a.m. Nevada County South,
Alta Sierra Country Club
12:00 Auburn, Auburn Elks Lodge
12:15 Penn Valley, Players Pizza
12:15 Marysville, Peach Tree Golf
& Country Club

Wednesday

7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club,
Escaton Lodge

7:00 a.m. Auburn Daybreak,
Sierra Smokehouse Grill
12:15 Yuba City, The Refuge

Thursday

7:00 a.m. South Yuba County Sunrise
Peachtree Restaurant (Marysville)
12:15 Auburn Gold Country,
The Ridge Golf Course
12:15 Nevada City, National Hotel