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Speakers:

Scott Spencer greeted members and guests to Monday's meeting. Don Daniels filled in on the early shift along with setup in Ken's absence. Thanks to both Scott and Don. President Bob Long opened the meeting with John Voter leading the club in the pledge and also providing two thoughts for the day. We were joined by Rotarian Kimberly Parker from the 49'er Breakfast Rotary Club. Amazingly, President Bob was still in possession of "baby bell." He keeps it under the leprechaun hat in the mistaken belief that it will provide some protection from burglars. Fat chance – wait until Ken returns.

President Bob updated us on our upcoming Gold Country Challenge bicycle ride, reminding us that sponsor T-shirts have to be printed in three weeks, so all sponsorship who want to be recognized on the T-shirt have to be in soon. Bob tried mightily to dig himself out of his \$3,000 financial fine deficit. He made only minor progress with fines from Dave Peeler, Rod Fivelstad, Anita & Don Daniels, and Steve Sauer.

Adam Weiss, of Weiss Landscaping presented the program for the meeting to provide us with information on irrigation technologies and water saving tips. Adam founded Weiss Landscaping in 2007 with his best friend Brian Coalson. Weiss Landscaping provides residential and commercial landscape, design, installation and maintenance services. Adam described a number of new water saving technologies such as smart controllers, MP rotator nozzles, precision spray nozzles, and Xeri-pops.

Unfortunately, Adam placed himself squarely in the audience's cross-hairs when he mentioned Assembly Bill 1881 and "landscape audits." Adam explained that our elected elites in Sacramento have determined that each of us must apply for a landscape permit whenever we undertake a landscape improvement larger than 500 square feet. Not only do you have to submit a written plan, you are re-



Apr 4 Student of the Month and Jasmine our RYE student
Apr 11 Jenn Singer from the Friendship Club

Dates to Remember:

April 2 Clean up of Memory Garden
April 9 [District Assembly Reno](#)
April 10 Area Music Contest– [7th Day Adventist Church](#)
April 18 Annual visit to [Lyman Gilmore School](#)
April 16 Home repair with [Habitat for Humanity](#)
May 14 [Gold Country Challenge](#)
May 12-15 [District Conference Atlantis Resort Hotel Reno](#)
May 28 [Rotary International Convention Seoul, S. Korea](#)
June 27 Demotion Party

quired to have your improvement inspected by a "landscape auditor." Adam recognized his mistake when there were audience comments ranging from "over my dead body," to expressing their rights under the 2nd Amendment. Adam immediately disclaimed any interest in becoming a "landscape auditor," when it was asked with such an inspector wore a vest with a bullseye on it. While some comments were barbed, it was all in good humor (except for references to Sacramento), and there were many questions from the audience.

Monty was absent at the end of the meeting when his ticket was drawn, while Anita made a valent try on his behalf, the black marble remained unmolested.



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APRIL Lunch Menu

- Caesar salad with shrimp
- Cilantro Chicken Tacos
- Cheeseburger with fries
- Pulled Pork Sandwich
- Turkey Cranberry sandwich

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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. Grass Valley South,
151 Mill Street, Grass Valley
12:00 Auburn, Auburn Elks Lodge
12:15 Penn Valley, Players Pizza
5:30 p.m. Auburn Sunset, Sierra Grill

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