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# The Spoke Newsletter



Club 529 chartered March 16, 1925

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Club of Grass Valley

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## 2023-2024 Theme

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



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April 8th, 2024

[www.gvrotary.org](http://www.gvrotary.org)

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## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Today's meeting was called to order at 12:15 sharp. We began our meeting with a very customary Pledge Of Allegiance to our nation and it's flag.

Before we began our program, we held a brief moment of silence in honor of our President Elect, Larry "Moe" Allen. He will be missed who all that knew and loved him.



## In Memoriam



Larry (Moe) Allen

May 1952 – April 2024

- Past President Rotary Club of Loyalton, CA
- Sierra County District Attorney (Retired)
- WSMC, President Board of Directors
- Member Grass Valley Rotary – 2019
- Club President Elect 2024-2025
- Good Guy!

Thank you for your lifetime of achievement and Rotary Service

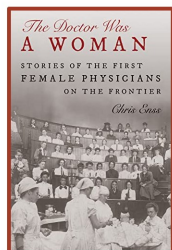
We then began our regularly scheduled program and introduced Chris Enss.



## Program



Chris Enss



Chris is an author who has published more than 20 books encompassing the lives of women of the Old West. She spoke about her life and her profession, as well as her future aspirations. Her spoken words are just about as elegant as her written ones.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Goodie Bag Project - Chicago Park School	Ongoing
<a href="#">Area 4 Music Contest</a>	April 14
Club Meeting - SoM – RYE Student Kellie G, Polly C	April 15
<a href="#">Area 4 Social – Ananda's Crystal Hermitage Garden Tour</a>	April 15
Club Meeting - Nevada County Media	April 29
<a href="#">Nevada City Rotary – Upscale Resale Fundraiser</a>	May 4
Club Meeting - SPIRIT Empowerment Center	May 6
Club Meeting – Bear Yuba Land Trust	May 13
<a href="#">District Conference</a>	May 17-19
Club Meeting – SoM, NC Fairgrounds, New Rotary Year	May 20
<a href="#">Rotary International Convention</a>	May 25-29
Club Meeting - DARK – Memorial Day	May 27
<a href="#">Gold Country Challenge</a>	June 1
Demotion	June 17
RYLA – Week 1	June 16-21
RYLA – Week 2	June 23-28

## CLUB WORKDAYS

Plastic Recycling Project	Ongoing
Lunches for Habitat for Humanity Workers	April 27
Trail Maintenance – Litton Trail Chip Spreading	TBD

## IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN APRIL

Birthdays		Rotary Anniversaries	
Connie Stone	Apr 9	Patti Ingram-Spencer	28 Yrs
Christian Eggleton	Apr 17	Kris Stepanian	24 Yrs
		David Peeler	2 Yrs

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONFESSIONS

Completion of New Member Orientation Program



Stephanie Fischer  
Executive Director

We had the privilege to present Stephanie Fischer with her Blue Badge.

Welcome to the club!

Please visit her [LinkedIn page](#).



## Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213  
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Meets @ the [Wild Eye Pub](#) on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Mon at 12:15 pm

## Area 4 Rotary Clubs

[Penn Valley Rotary](#) meets @ [Players Pizza](#) at 12 pm on every other Tues

[Grass Valley South](#) meets @ the [Courtyard Suites](#) at 7 am on Tues

[Nevada City Rotary](#) meets @ [TJ's Roadhouse](#) 2nd and 4th Thurs at 12:15 pm  
Food order RSVP needed the day prior at [ncrotary.org](http://ncrotary.org). On the 1st and 3rd Thurs, meeting is 5:30 pm at [Round Table Pizza](#)

[49er Rotary Breakfast Club](#) meets @ the [Miners Foundry](#) on Wed at 7 - 8 am





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## Annual High School Youth Instrumental Music Contest

Area 4 Rotary Clubs (Nevada City, 49er Breakfast Club of Nevada City, Grass Valley, Grass Valley South, and Penn Valley) are having a contest for Solo Instrumentalists and we invite you to compete.

**April 14, 2024, 2:00 pm**  
**Peace Lutheran Church**  
**828 W. Main Street, Grass Valley**

**PRIZES: 1st prize: \$250 2nd prize: \$150 3rd prize: \$75**

**Performances are 3 to 8 minutes long, rules are listed on the student application form.**

**If you win 1st prize at the Area contest April 14, you will go on to compete for \$1,000.00 at the District Conference in Reno, Nevada on Saturday, May 18.**

To request an application or more information contact Derek Williams at [dmw@derekwilliams.com](mailto:dmw@derekwilliams.com) or text 530-205-3336.





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## A special invitation for Area 4 Rotarians and family

Spring time is tulip time at **Ananda's Crystal Hermitage Gardens**. Each year some 20,000 tulips are replanted to create a lush garden display of some 100 varieties of pink, purple, orange and yellow tulips.

By special invitation, Area 4 Rotarians and family will be treated to a private tour of the gardens led by fellow **Rotarian Mai Lee** who also serves as **Volunteer Marketing Manager for Crystal Hermitage**.

Join us for a very special tour and **Social for the Rotary Clubs of Western Nevada County!**

**Monday April 15 at 5:30pm (Rain or Shine)**

**Crystal Hermitage Gardens**

14618 Tyler Foote Rd, [Click for Directions](#)

Nevada City, CA 95959

## Please RSVP

We encourage carpooling from the Rood Center or other location. Please plan to arrive before 5:30pm for the tour.

A **\$10 donation** is suggested for each participant.

For questions and more information contact [Cathy Wilcox-Barnes](#) or [Mai Lee 310-621-3721](#)



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## Rotary Is Better Together

Multi - District Conference  
5150 / 5180 / 5190



A fabulous venue -  
The Grand Sierra Resort in Reno NV

*Fun for the entire family*

- Arcade
- Bowling
- Casino
- Escape Room
- Golf & Target Golf
- Movies
- Swimming
- Virtual Reality

*Variety of programs including*

- Student Speech Contest
- Student Music Performance
- Comedy Show Presentation
- Inspirational Rotary Speaker
- House of Friendship
- Awards Presentations

### Amazing Savings when you Register Early

Ticket prices/levels and sale dates

- \$245 **"BUY NOW"** from April 28, 2023 to May 5, 2023
- \$295 **"EARLY BIRD"** from May 6, 2023 to December 31, 2023
- \$315 **"REGULAR"** from January 1, 2024 to May 19, 2024

\* Prices include conference registration fee and meals. Registration fee is non-refundable.

### BUT WAIT!!! - And There's MORE! -

Register by May 5, 2023 and **YOU will be entered** in a drawing to win 1 (one) conference registration including meals! That's a \$245 value!!

Sign up at the 2023 District Conference and be entered into a drawing for 1000 Paul Harris Points (3 winners)!

Stay Tuned for **MORE Exciting Promotions** and fun in the days and weeks to come!!!



Registration for the 2024 Multi-District Conference closes APRIL 15th. If you have not registered, you still have time. We would love to see everyone there.

Click [HERE](#) for additional information



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## Presents Upscale Resale Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4th  
8:30am - 3:00pm  
Parking Lot at 175 Ridge Road  
Nevada City

Get great deals on  
household goods, antiques,  
collectibles, clothing,  
furniture & many more.

For More Information:

650-867-4564  
Carolyn Feuille  
cfeuille@espritgloballearning.com



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SINGAPORE | 25-29 MAY 2024

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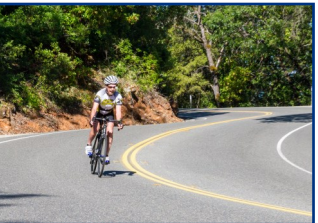
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## June 1st

PEDAL IN STYLE WITH OUR CYCLING JERSEYS!

### RIDE IN STYLE WITH OUR JERSEYS ON SALE!

MANY OF YOU ASKED AND NOW THEY ARE HERE



Ride the beautiful and historic back country of Nevada County. Nevada County was the heart of California's gold rush. Surrounding the charming mining era towns of Grass Valley and Nevada City, you'll ride through some of the most beautiful landscape California has to offer. Discover why the [Amgen](#) has selected to ride through Nevada County on multiple occasions.

Visit the [website](#) to sign and gear up!

Rides will be fully supported and well-marked!

Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds

