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July 25, 2016 Meeting Highlights

President Eric Trygg ran the meeting. The meeting started at 12:15 pm.

John Peek gave the Thought for the Day
Scott Browne volunteered to do Spoke Notes
Don Daniels, as usual, was the Greeter
Ken Holbrook was the Sergeant at Arms.

Announcements:

- **Kris Stepanian** announced the first Casino Night meeting would be held at John Peplowski's office (Chasewater Building) on July 27 @ 7:30 am.
- **Bob Long - God Country Bike Challenge** there will be a meeting on Thursday, July 28 @ 8:00 a.m. at Tofanellis.
- **Blake Smith** announced that the club is gearing up for REGL – 12 kids will be sent in the fall.
- **Next Board Meeting** will be Wednesday July 27th at 5:15 p.m. at Scott Browne's office.
- **Visit by District Governor** The District Governor will be at our August 8th meeting. He will first meet with club leadership, then attend our meeting. All club members are asked to make a special effort to attend. **Eric Trygg** reminded everyone that next week is the deadline to sign up for the August 19th Rivercats Night. Tickets are \$40-\$45/person. It should be a really fun event.

Craft Talks

President Eric asked Jerry Trammel to talk a little bit about his company. Jerry explained that his company does high end electronics calibration. He has over 400 employees and is still growing. They will be opening offices in Europe soon.



Program:

President Eric introduced the speaker for the day – Alex Gammeldard, the new Grass Valley Chief of Police.



Chief Gammeldard has been on the job now for about 3-4 months. He is a local boy and a member of 49'er Rotary. Right now, he is learning the job and focusing on proactive solutions to local problems. He gave the club some insight about common frauds and scams going around.

Mailbox theft is the most common local problem. If you have an unlocked mail box, people will drive by and grab mail right out of the box, open it and dump the opened mail on the side of the road. They are taking checks out of the mail, washing the recipient's name off, and then cashing them. The little red mailbox flag is a

Speakers:

- Aug 1 Brandon Davis—Solar Energy
Aug 8 District Governor's Visit

Dates to Remember:

- Aug 1 **National Girlfriends Day** celebrate your friendships
Aug 3 **Casino Night planning 7:30 am** **Valentina's**
Aug 3 **Public Image Committee 5:15pm** **Holbrooke**
Aug 19 **Rivercat's game**
Sept 5 **Labor Day - Dark**
Sept 10 **Membership seminar - Incline Village**
Oct 10 **Columbus Day - Dark**

“red flag” to the thieves because they know there is mail inside the box.

Alex also said that the IRS scam violation notices are also common locally. The notices give a phone number to call, then they scam the victims and intimidate them in to paying money for supposed back taxes that are owed. **Kim Zwick** provided the link to report IRS scams: https://www.treasury.gov/tigta/contact_report_scam.shtml

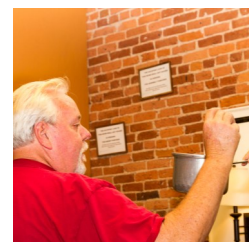
Another scam is late night calls from people claiming to be “jailers” or “police” asking for bail money for a loved one. Alex advised to insist on getting the name of the institution, then calling to confirm before agreeing to send any money. There are also Craigslist scams where there are either false sales or rentals and panhandler scams. Victims of these kinds of frauds should file a fraud report with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

Alex closed his talk by reminding the club that he has duck race tickets in case anyone wanted to purchase them.

Closing Announcements:

Eric reminded everyone to fill out the club survey or they will be assigned the maximum fine level.

Tom Stanley won the raffle, \$164.
Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.



LUNCH MENU FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

- **Caesar Salad – whole salad**
- **Chef's Salad - whole salad**
- **Cilantro Chicken Tacos served with cilantro rice**
- **That's Right Burger (cheeseburger) and fries**
- **Fish & Chips with fries**

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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,
[Lodge at Escaton](#)

Thursday

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