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Club of Grass Valley



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jesse Wilson - President
Ed Pinto - President Elect
Heather Thorpe - Vice President
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Tim McCall - Executive Secretary
Judy Bagley - Executive Treasurer

P. Scott Brown - Director Year 2
Judy Bagley - Director Year 2
Gina Will - Director Year 2
James Delcour - Director Year 1
Stephanie Fischer - Director Year 1
Jennifer Malone - Director Year 1

- Sergeant at Arms -
Ed Pinto
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President of Rotary International

[Francesco Arezzo](#)



Governor of District 5190

[Larry Harvey](#)

August 11th, 2025

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Rotary Club of Grass Valley gathered up for our weekly meeting at the Wild Eye Pub on Monday.

Fred's wife joined us today. Ashley Rogers and Kalen Norman , members of Rough and Ready Grange also joined us. Ashley and Kalen, on behalf of the Grange, received a donation from our club for their support at the Gold Country Challenge.

Our main speaker today was Joanne Remillard, a liaison with Nevada County Therapy Animals. This association provides therapy animals (principally dogs) for emotional support, reducing stress, and enhanced well being. There are 42 teams that help with motivation, anxiety, stress for a variety of individuals in 15 local facilities.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Meeting: District 5190 Governor Larry Harvey	August 18
Club Meeting: DARK	August 25
Board Meeting: WSMC Glasson @ Noon	August 25
Club Social: Location / Time TBD	August 25
Casino Night	February 7 2026
District 5190 Conference	May 1-3 2026
Gold Country Challenge	June 6 2026
Rotary International Conference	June 13-17 2026

UPCOMING PROJECTS - People of Action

Plastic Recycling Project	Ongoing
Support Lyman Gilmore and Union Hill Schools	Ongoing
Alzheimer's Garden and Litton Trail: Upkeep and Maintenance	Ongoing
Rotary Magazines in Professional and Business Waiting Rooms	Ongoing
Chicago Park Middle School: Goodie Bag Project	Ongoing
Union Hill: Back To School Dinner	August 14
REGL Camp Grizzly: Portola	September 19-21
Rotary Club of Nevada City – Paws and a Cause	September 27
World Polio Day: Pancakes For Polio (w/ 49er)	October 24
Halloween BBQ Drive Thru – Lyman Gilmore Middle School	October 25
Chicago Park Middle School: Playground Paint Refresh	Fall '25
Bright Futures: Help with Garden Area Pickle Ball Court	TBD
Interfaith Food Ministries: Saturdays 2 to 4 times a year	TBD
Kare Crisis Nursery: Help Repairing a Fence	TBD
Center Stage: Help Repairing Dance Floor	TBD
Grass Valley Charter School: Sign Repair	TBD
Wolf Creek Trail - Glenn Jones Park : Signage and Maintenance	TBD

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN AUGUST

Birthdays		Rotary Anniversaries	
Steve Spiller	Aug 7	George Grayeb	32 yrs
Scott P. Browne	Aug 14	Steve Spiller	24 yrs
Sandra Barrington	Aug 14	Susan Fivelstad	16 yrs
Susan Fivelstad	Aug 16	Ed Pinto	4 yrs
George Grayeb	Aug 18	Karen Sartori	2 yrs
Marcia Salter	Aug 25	Shauneen Deschaine	1 Yr
Carol Elizondo	Aug 29	Jennifer Breazale	1 yr

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COFESSIONS

District Governors visit is August 18. All committee chairman are expected to attend for interactive meeting prior to the club meeting

Kathy's award winning fig jelly at the Fair was auctioned off. Heather Thorpe won with \$50.

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 the 1st and 3rd
Thursdays at 5:30pm for our Social meetings
[Contact](#) them for the location that week
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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Plastic Recycling Project

Commercial Plastic Wrap is picked-up at the following locations:

- ◆ Nevada County Food Bank
- ◆ AJA Electronics
- ◆ Hills Flat Lumber

The plastic is then recycled and made into [TREX Benches](#)

Next bench will be dedicated to Larry Allen at WSMC Glasson!

Please contact [Bob](#) for more info!



We have collected 1,905 lbs of plastic so far this year!

Great work!



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SAVE THE PLAY DATE

PIONEER PARK, NEVADA CITY

September 27, 2025 1~4pm

Play, learn and compete!

- Local Veterinarians
- Dog Trainers
- Pet Stores & Supplies
- Animal Rescue
- Wellness Specialists
- Fun Contests
- Agility Circuits
- Lassie tales and wellness from Timmy (Jon Provost) and more...



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CASINO NIGHT

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

SAT 7 FEB 2026

Nevada County Fairgrounds

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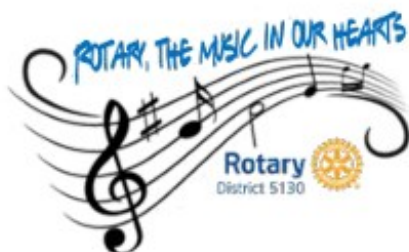
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SAVE THE DATE!

Far West Fest 2026 Early Bird Special!



[Click HERE](#)

Welcome to the Far West Fest 2026 Registration Website

SPECIAL NOTICE: This is a special offer for Rotarians wanting the best price for the conference. The conference is still a year away and some of the final details have not been determined at this time. We are planning an amazing celebration of our amazing contributions to our communities and the world with amazing speakers and entertainment options. When all of the details are finalized you will receive a special email with how to register your conference specifics such as food and lodging. JOIN US!

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL PRICING
EXTENDED THROUGH JULY 12th,
2025!



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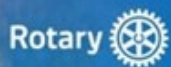
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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

TAIPEI, TAIWAN | 13-17 JUNE 2026



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