



The Spoke Newsletter



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2023-2024 Theme

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



Governor of District 5190

[Stacy Graham](#)

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Today's guest speaker was Meghan Adamski, the Executive Director from "[A Touch of Understanding](#)". ATOU is a non-profit organization that provides disability



awareness programs to the youth in our schools by educating the children in understanding the challenges associated with disabilities, as well as to extend empathy and kindness to all individuals. By building bridges of respect and understanding to people, it allows for inclusion and acceptance in school, work, and life!

This program's mission is not only life-changing but also lifesaving! They travel throughout the region visiting schools to introduce the concept of understanding of those with disabilities on a daily basis. The results of their work reach not only disabled individuals themselves, but also the students, the teachers, and the administrators, thereby effecting the school climate. Additionally, the message even effects the parents, families, volunteers, and our communities. They also have a program for businesses and government offices.

Visit their [website](#) and take a look around! Explore this amazing organization and find ways to either volunteer and/or donate.

"As of 2018, ATOU had served more than 100,000 students in the Greater Sacramento Area.

With an average of over 10,000 students each year experiencing the workshop, ATOU will continue to grow and impact this area with its positive message. "

Here is the link to the [Rotary District 5000 Foundation Maui Fire Relief Fund PayPal website](#). As people of action, we can take immediate action to help Maui recover and rebuild.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETING - ANEW Day	August 21
Club Board Meeting (noon o'clock)	August 28
CLUB SOCIAL - Food Love Farm - Sierra Harvest	August 28
Area 4 Social - NU Freshman Football Game	August 31
REGL II - 10-12 Students to Camp Grizzly	September 22-24
Rotary Clubs in Action Workshop - Truckee	October 7
District Governor Stacy Club Visit	October 23
Drive Tru Halloween BBQ - "Trick or Tri-Tip"	October 28

UPCOMING CLUB WORKDAYS

Fair Foundation Beer Booth at Draft Horse Classic September 21-24

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN AUGUST

Birthdays		Rotary Anniversaries	
Steve Spiller	Aug 7	Ed Pinto	2 Yrs
Sandra Barrington	Aug 14	Joshua Robinson	3 Yrs
Scott Browne	Aug 14	Susan Fivalstad	14 Yrs
Susan Fivalstad	Aug 16	Steve Spiller	22 Yrs
George Grayeb	Aug 18	George Grayeb	30 Yrs
Marcia Salter	Aug 25		
Carol Elizondo	Aug 29		

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONFESSIONS

Marcia Salter went on a trip to Bozeman & Yellowstone along with her grandkids. Besides videoing a special moment viewing a bison facing off with a wolf, she even went zip lining!

Tim McCall presented Judy Bagley with her 18, 19, 20, & 21st year pins for perfect attendance



Jon Peek was awarded his "Paul Harris Fellow Award" x4



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Trials are like fire, it can either destroy or strengthen you depending on your outlook in life. Remember: "The fire that melts butter, is the same fire that hardens steel." - Unknown

[Rotary Club of Grass Valley](#)

P.O. Box 1213 Grass Valley, CA 95945

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

[Area 4 Rotary Clubs](#)

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

[Grass Valley South](#) meets @ the [Litton Bldg](#) on Tuesdays at 7 am

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

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