

# The Spoke Newsletter



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**August 8th, 2022**

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Spoke Notes  
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## 2022-2023 Theme

**- IMAGINE -**

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

## Governor, District 5190

[Jeff Gabriel](#)

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## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President Sandra promptly called the meeting to order. John greeted, Judy led the pledge, and Ed gave us the Thought For The Day. Our club photographer, Fred, was poised to capture key moments. Pat and Seth handled the Audio and Video, and Rod transcribed the Spoke Notes. We welcomed Karen O'Hara, the new Dean at our Sierra Nevada College Campus.

Jennifer Malone and Dr. Brian Evens were our key speakers for the meeting. Jennifer Malone is the Chief Executive Officer at Western Sierra Medical Clinic (WSMC). Dr. Brian Evans is the Director of Urgent Care Services at WSMC. They detailed the process on which WSMC will not only respond to the medical needs of the area, but be proactive to the ever-growing medical atmosphere. They remain dedicated through their strong and self-appointed mission and vision statements. Jennifer provided an overview of the 40+ year history and highlighted that several of our Rotary Club members that serve on the Board.



Jennifer Malone

**WSMC MISSION:** Providing accessible, quality medical, dental and behavioral health services through innovative, yet trusted, care in our communities.

**WSMC VISION:** To be the health provider of choice in our communities. They are poised to respond to current and future community health needs. They will promote the health and wellness of Nevada, Placer, Sierra, and Yuba counties, through their model of patient-centered care.



Dr. Brian Evans

WSMC steadily aims at providing quality medical coverage to all of the residents of Nevada, Sierra, Placer, and Yuba counties regardless of their ability to pay. WSMC factors in the potential patients willingness to pay and then proceeds with the most fitting course of action.

WSMC has 5 permanent locations: Downieville, Grass Valley, Auburn, Penn Valley, and Kings Beach. These locations are best positioned to cover the medical needs of people living in frontier, rural, and also urban areas. Furthermore, over 75% of it's patients are "low-income". Even though WSMC makes people's health a top priority, they have been able to save MEDICAL over 12 million dollars.



Kellie and Pres. Sandra

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**August 15th** Club Meeting w/ Craft Talks  
**August 16th at 6pm** Board Meeting (Location TBD)  
**August 22nd** Club Meeting w/ More Craft Talks  
**August 28th** Club Meeting  
 Viv Tipton & Toastmasters  
**September 5th** DARK for Labor Day  
**September 12th** [Falls Prevention Coalition](#)  
 Hollie Grimaldi Flores

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

[BSM Triathlon](#) Volunteer Opportunity **September 18th**  
 Foundation Dinner @ [Miner's Foundry](#) **March 9th**

## IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES

August Birthdays		August Rotary Anniversaries	
Steve Spiller	Aug 7th	George Grayeb	28 Years
Sandra Barrington	Aug 14th	Steve Spiller	20 Years
Scott P Browne	Aug 14th	Susan Fivelstad	12 Years
Susan Fivelstad	Aug 16th	Joshua Robinson	1 Year
George Grayeb	Aug 18th		
Marcia Salter	Aug 25th		
Carol Elizondo	Aug 29th		

## August Anniversaries

George & Mary Grayeb	60 Years
Bob & Sharyl Long	49 Years
Tim & Marcia Salter	42 Years
Moe & Sherrie Allen	24 Years

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONFESSIONS

Kellie Gruenefeld was presented with her BLUE BADGE! Congrats!  
 John Byerrum gave us an update on the plastic bag collection project. He urged Rotarian's to bring their plastic bags to Monday meetings. This includes both ziplock, grocery, and produce bags. Let's do our part to keep microplastics out of the environment.

## Rotary Minute

It is the responsibility of each and every Rotarian to help attract and aid in the retention of new members. Whether it be through brainstorming interesting activities or leading by example through community projects! Let's help others help us!

### Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213 Grass Valley, CA 95945

Meets @ the [Wild Eye Pub](#) on  
Monday at 12:15 pm

### Area 4 Rotary Clubs

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

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

[Nevada City Rotary](#) meets @ the [Litton Bldg](#)  
on the 2nd & 4th of every Thursday at 12 pm  
on the 1st & 3rd of every Thursday at 5:30 pm

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