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December 11th, 2023 **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

At today's meeting, no visiting Rotarians graced us with their presence nor did any guests of Rotarians attend.

Today was a club business meeting. We held elections for our Club Executives and Directors for the 2024-2025 Year which starts in July. Results are listed below:

Title	Position	Name
President	President	Moe Allen
President Elect	President Elect	Jesse Wilson
Secretary	Secretary	Jennifer Malone
Treasurer	Treasurer	Bob Long
Director - Year 1	Other	Judy Bagley
Director - Year 1	Other	P. Scott Browne
Director - Year 1	Other	Gina Will
Director - Year 2	Other	Andrew Jackson
Director - Year 2	Other	Heather Thorpe
Immediate Past President	Other	Sean Jackson
Vice President	Other	Ed Pinto

Sandra spoke about Socials and Programs. The goal of these events is to bring us all together in a great environment. If anyone has any suggestions, please bring them to the club's attention. She also asked for input on possible upcoming programs. We have a robust lineup approaching us, but we are always looking for additions!

A craft talk is a great way to educate the club! Volunteers are

Our club is in an advantageous position to complete projects that fall in line with our overall mission. Please bring ideas to

Raising our membership is an ongoing task that sometimes goes to the wayside. This is something that everyone is responsible for and it can easily be accomplished.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wreaths Across America December 16 Club Christmas Party (Scott Browne's House) December 16 Club Meeting - Global Music Fellowship (Rod Fivelstad) December 18. - Lyman Gilmore Students of the Month / Theater Group Club Meeting - DARK - Christmas December 25 All of December **Area 4 Blood Drive Casino Night** February 3 **District Conference** May 17-19

CLUB WORKDAYS

Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ GV SPD **December 16 & 23** Plastic Recycling Project **Ongoing**

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN NOVEMBER

<u>Birthdays</u>		Rotary Anniversaries	
Kim Zwick	Dec 06	Christian Eggleton	6 Yrs
Kellie Gruenefeldt	Dec 13		
Ryan Sykes	Dec 17		
John Walker	Dec 18		
David Peeler	Dec 20		
Bobbie Swanson	Dec 29		

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONFESSIONS

Connie Stone was awarded her Paul Harris +7!

Connie announced that her husband has recently published a novel that he has been working on for several years. It is now being published and he has a show at the Center for the Arts.

Connie also described her recent vacation with Scott and Larry. In just a few short minutes, she whisked us out of Grass Valley and mentally transported us to Spain. It was a lovely trip and Larry did a great job of acting as a tour guide since he was very familure with the area.

Jonathon is moving up North. He is resigning from our club and joining a club in Truckee.

Marsha described her very positive experience at last weekend's Toy Run! She suggests that the club definitely should get involved next year!

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Why Be A Volunteer? It's not for money, it's not for fame. It's not for any personal gain. It's just for love of fellowman. It's just to lend a helping hand. It's just to give a tithe of self. That's something you can't buy with wealth. It's not medals won with pride. It's for that feeling deep inside. It's that reward down in your heart. It's that feeling that you've been a part. Of helping others far and near, that makes you be a Volunteer! - Unknown

Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213 Grass Valley, CA 95945

Penn Valley Rotary meets @ Players Pizza every other Tuesday at 12 pm

Grass Valley South meets @ the Litton Bldg on Tuesdays at 7 am

Area 4 Rotary Clubs

Nevada City Rotary meets @ TJ's Roadhouse 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 5:30PM at Round Table Pizza

49er Rotary Breakfast Club meets @ the Miners Foundry on Wed at 7 - 8 am

Meets @ the Wild Eye Pub on the

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Monday at 12:15 pm





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Sean recapped the projects that our club has volunteered it's time to in this Rotary Year:

- Helped with the Grass Valley Little League Tournament Setup
- Painted multiple rooms at Bright Futures for Youth
- Built a storage shed for Bright Future for Youth
- Sanded and stained picnic tables at the Nevada County Fairgrounds
- Supported the Fair Foundation by serving drinks at the Fair, Country Christmas, and the Draft Horse Classic
- Conducted Litton Trail Garden Maintenance
- Spread woodchips at Hospice (ongoing)
- Packaged food at the Food Bank
- Supported the Inter-Faith Ministries Food Distribution
- Cooked a Thanksgiving Day Dinner for Women of Worth
- Area Blood Drive (ongoing)
- Plastic Collection (ongoing)
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing (future)

Our President then listed the area's that our club has put funds towards:

- Supported Women of Worth through donations
- Assisted Bright Futures for Youth with their Backpack for Kids Program
- Wreaths Across America
- Donation to Food Bank during Thanksgiving
- We made a contribution to the Senior Center and Lyman Gilmore Leadership Club
 - Based on patriation levels with the Gold Country Challenge
- NU InterAct, Union Hill, Chicago Park School, Lyman Gilmore, and Sierra Harvest benefited from the Tri-tip BBQ
- REGAL Registration Fees (ongoing)
- Student of the Month (ongoing)
- Send supplies to the Rotary Club in Lucban (future)







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Help is needed with decorations and cleanup.

The decorating committee will meet at Scott's house on December 16th at 10 (Lunch Included)

Please contact the Club for additional details





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Multí - District Conference 5150 / 5180 / 5190







A fabulous venue -The Grand Sierra Resort in Reno NV

Fun for the entire Ancade Bouling Casino Excape Room Colf & Wonier Conf. Guimming Vintual Reality

Variety of programs 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

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!!!









Click HERE for additional information

^{*} Prices include conference registration fee and meals. Registration fee is non-refundable.







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Rotary Bell Ringing Assignments December 16th and 23rd SPD – Grass Valley

Time	December 16	December 23
9:00 am – 11:15 am	Bob Long, Maria Salter	Fred and Elli Claussen
11:15 am – 1:30 am	Larry McGrath, Patti Ingram Spencer	Sean Jackson, Connie Stone
1:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Pat Ward, Larry Allen	James Delcour, Derek Williams
3:45 pm – 6:00 pm	Tim McCall, Ron Egenes	Monty East, Don Daniels

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Wreaths Across America began unofficially in 1992 at Arlington National Cemetery. Since that time the mission of Wreaths Across America had spread to cemeteries throughout all 50 states and beyond. This year the Wreaths Across America Ceremony will be held on December 16 at over 3500 cemeteries to demonstrate our gratitude and respect for our veterans and the sacrifices they have made. Our ceremony, which commemorates the 31st year of Wreaths Across America, will be held at noon at St. Patrick's Cemetery on Rough and Ready Hwy (next to NID). Ceremonial wreaths will be laid to honor each branch of the U.S. military. Following our ceremony the public will be invited to choose a wreath to place on the grave of a veteran and say the name of the individual. All ages are invited to attend as we Remember the fallen, Honor those that serve and Teach the next generation the value of freedom.

The wreaths are \$17 each and the deadline for donations for this year is November 28. All donations must be back to the headquarters in Maine by then. Our goal is to place wreaths on the graves of veterans at St. Patrick's, Greenwood and Sierra Lawn Cemeteries. To do so we need about 1500 wreaths. You may sponsor a wreath by going directly to:

wreathsacrossamerica.org/CA0231P

or by mailing a check to:

Bonnie Magnetti 22627 Sunset Ridge Dr. Auburn, CA 95602

December 16th 12 Noon

(Cut off for wreath sponsorship is) (November 28th.)

For questions call Bonnie Magnetti at 530-210-1941 or Sally Knutson at 530-478-0192







Click **HERE** to go to the event website







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It is time once again to kick off our annual Casino Night event. This year's theme is "Under the Big Top," a circus theme. As with the past Casino Night events, our goal is to continue to provide a fun evening filled with good food, spirits, gaming, music, socializing, raffles, and of course our most important fundraising tool, the silent auction. This year we are adding a small fee to Fred's photo services and continuing with the Wine/Whiskey Cork Pull to add to the fun.



Tickets

- Each member is responsible for selling 10 ticket or contributing \$150 towards the tickets. Ticket prices are \$15.00 a piece this year. Of course, you may wish to choose to buy them yourself and give them to clients, friends, or family. The GOAL is to get as many people to the event as possible!
- The total amount of \$150.00 for your tickets will appear on your February 2024 Club billing statement.
- We encourage members to sell additional tickets.

Auction:

- Each member is responsible for soliciting silent auction items totaling a minimum value of \$100.00 in goods or services.
- On average, most items sell for about 50% of retail value with some higher and some lower. Members are encouraged to bring in more items to insure we have plenty of items for the auction and other opportunity drawings. A list of previous auction items noting the Rotarian who had solicited those businesses will be available. Past items on the list with no Rotarian shown are prime opportunities for a member to approach them for donations.
- Any artwork or collectibles donated from a personal collection should be in pristine condition and with a value noted.
- When soliciting auction items, please present the club's donation letter and complete the donation receipt form, leaving a copy for the donor, then turn in the other copy to the club with the donated item.
- All items must be dropped off by January 27th for it to be included in the event program.







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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 and pick from four different events

Rides will be fully supported and well-marked

Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds















