

# Rotary Club of Grass Valley



## The Spoke



Chartered March 16, 1925

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**Rotary Theme 2019-2020 Theme**  
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**December 16, 2019**

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### December 9, 2019 Club News

President Marcia began the meeting promptly at 12:15  
Greeter: Larry McGrath, Pledge: Carol Lenhard, Thought for the Day:  
Ray Enneking, Sargent-at-Arms Assistant: Don Daniels

#### Announcements:

- Board Meeting Cancelled for December
- Larry McGrath announced we were at 100% participation for the Foundation drive
- ClubRunner update is needed. Circulated was everyone's contact info for members to review and update.
- Salvation Army Angel Tree cards were available those who want to purchase gift for needy children--gift due by the Dec 16th meeting.

**Noteworthy News:** Elections of Club Officers and Board of Directors was held. The results will be announced soon.



#### Upcoming Events:

**Casino Night--Feb 1, 2020.** Chairperson, Eric Fredrickson, kicked off the preparations for this year's roaring 20's themed event "A Night at the Speakeasy". Club members are responsible to sell 15 tickets @ \$10 each and get \$100 in auction/raffle items. This is an "all hands on deck" event, as it is our largest fundraiser of the year. Members are encouraged to get

friends and family involved to ensure we have all of the manpower needed.

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#### Speaker: Bob Long

Bob and his wife took a trip to Antarctica on February 5 through 15, 2019 aboard the National Geographic Orion, along with 104 other travelers. Antarctica, also called "The White Continent", is a land mass surrounded by water, unlike the north pole which is a bay surrounded by land. Argentina, Chile and other countries have laid claim to parts of the continent, but no military installations or weaponry testing is allowed. Bob said this was not a tour, and there were many schedule changes throughout the trip. There were 3 hours of darkness each day, while sunsets lasted 45 minutes to an hour (Bob had many pictures of the beautiful sunsets). Outside of the colorful sunsets, the flora, lichen and moss added the only color (and vegetation) to the land of "black, white and blue".



Passengers boarded zodiacs to travel to and from the ship to shore. Being very conscious of the environment and the potential impact of tourism, only 100 passengers were allowed on shore at one time, and clothing and shoes were inspected and well sanitized before and after land excursions. Passengers were not allowed within 10 feet of animals,

### Upcoming Programs:

12/16 Rod Byers - Wine Expert, judge and writer + Students  
12/23 DARK for Christmas Holiday  
12/30 DARK for New Year's Holiday  
1/6 Club Assembly + Craft Talks

### Dates to Remember:

Jan 11-12 California CareForce Health Clinic  
Jan 25 Rotary Leadership II @ Ensemble Designs - Nevada City  
Jan 31 Grants Management Training  
Feb 1 Casino Night 2020 @ Nevada County Fairgrounds  
Feb 19 Community Awards  
Feb 20 DG Randy & DGE Berta mid-year visit  
March 11 Area Speech Contest - GV Methodist Church  
March 21 Preliminaries Area Music Contest  
March 28 Finals Area Music Contest

which were mainly penguins, sea lions and otters. Penguins traveled on "highways" and had right-of-way to humans. This rule was established to prevent frightening the animals and causing them to retreat to the ocean and freeze; the adults do not have sufficient fat and the young do not have sufficient down to protect them from the cold at this time of year (summer).

Although much of the sea was calm, Bob said the ship had to navigate some rough seas and ice. His most exciting experience with the seas were 25ft swells through Drake's Passage, where he almost went overboard while viewing the action. Ice is also an issue, and an Ice Officer helps navigate the single-hulled vessel through the ice flows. The ice also forms beautiful sun tunnels, created from ice cups and resulting tunnels, causing a blue-ice effect. Since 80% of icebergs lie below the water line, they can become unbalanced with the underwater portion melting in the summer months and causing the iceberg to flip. While kayaking, Bob was "chased off" an iceberg, because it had the possibility of flipping. Ice also formed beautiful, two-hundred year old ice crystals, which Bob joked they used in their cocktails.

The group also had days where they did extensive walking and traveled across ice sheets of permafrost, which were 200 feet thick, and viewed huts built in 1902 by marooned travelers who were rescued by Argentinians in 1903. There were also bones left behind by the whaling industry.

Don D pulled a white marble and the meeting ended at 1:20 pm.

December Birthdays		December Anniversaries	
Kim Zwick	Dec 5	Lee & Joanne Osnas	35 years
Ryan Sykes	Dec 17	Ray & Mary Enneking	34 years
Jonathan Walker	Dec 18		
Dave Peeler	Dec 20		
Bobbie Swanson	Dec 29		
		<b>Rotary Anniversaries</b>	
		Bob Lenhard	28 years
		Chris Parks	3 years
		Ron Parks	3 years
		Christian Eggleton	2 years

### Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213 - Grass Valley, CA 95945  
Meeting location: **Monday** at 12:15 PM  
[Wild Eye Pub, 535 Mill Street, 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,  
[Grass Valley Courtyard Suites](#) -  
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](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

### Wednesday

7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club,  
[Trolley Junction, Nevada City](#)

### Thursday

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