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2023-2024 Theme

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



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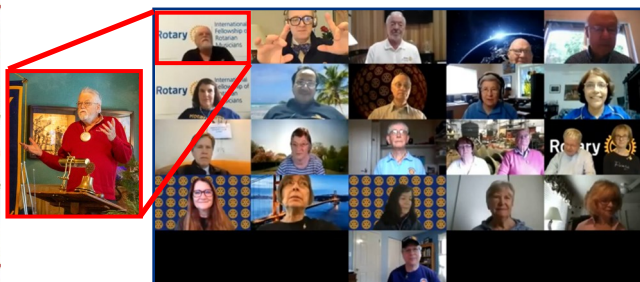
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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Today's meeting was very robust! Our very own Rod Fivelstad gave us a presentation on Rotary Fellowships. There are many Fellowships, everything from stamp collecting, to gin, to medicine! Click on this [link](#) to explore more fellowships! These fellowships are a great environment to create friendships, explore your curiosity on an activity, or enhance your current skillset! He specifically focused on The International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians Virtual World Choir, of which he is a global chair of.



The Lyman Gilmore Students of the Month were also present to receive their recognition. Congrats on all of the hard work!



The Lyman Gilmore Music Theater also preformed several songs from Willy Wonka.



To show our appreciation to Laurel at the Wild Eye Pub, we held a collection during the meeting and gathered up a Christmas Bonus for her.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Meeting - DARK - Christmas December 25
Club Meeting - DARK - New Years January 1
Area 4 Blood Drive All of December
Casino Night February 3
District Conference May 17-19

CLUB WORKDAYS

[Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ GV SPD](#) December 23
Plastic Recycling Project Ongoing

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN NOVEMBER

Birthdays

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

Kathy shared that her husband, Tim, stated that had a great experience doing the Bell Ringing last weekend. Person after person extended their Thanks for everything that is done to better our community.

Bob donated a happy \$50! He had just come from a ceremony where SNMH was named the top rural hospital in CA and one of fifteen in the whole US...this is out of more than 2000 hospitals.

A big Thank You to everyone that helped out with this year's Christmas Party!

Marsha announced that Area 5 (Auburn area) will be hosting a Rotary Leadership Institute on February 24. This is a good opportunity to learn more about Rotary. Please contact [Marsha](#) for more information.

Dr. Scott Kellerman (a visiting Rotarian) joined our meeting and spoke about his recent trip to the hospital project Uganda with Rotary International. This project has been ongoing since 2005! The hospital is now ranked as one of the best hospitals in East Africa. A Dental and Vision Clinic will now soon be constructed and the equipment will be donated by Rotary. Their Nursing School will also transition into a full Science and Technology University. Our Doctor is involved with several grants which allow his team to study viruses, viruses that are transferred from animal to human. The ultimate outcome of these studies is to prevent a future pandemic.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"It is not how much we give, but how much love we put in the giving." - Mother Teresa

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](#) 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





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Rotary Is Better Together

Multi - District Conference

5150 / 5180 / 5190



A fabulous venue -
The Grand Sierra Resort in Reno NV

Fun for the entire
family

Arcade
Bowling
Casino
Escape Room
Golf & Target Golf
Movies
Swimming
Virtual Reality

Variety of programs
including

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

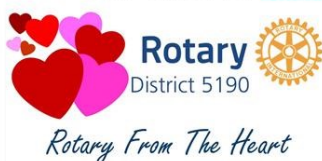
* Prices include conference registration fee and meals. Registration fee is non-refundable.

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







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Salvation Army Bell Ringing Assignment

Time	December 23
9:00 am – 11:15 am	Fred and Elli Claussen
11:15 am – 1:30 am	Sean Jackson, Connie Stone
1:30 pm – 3:45 pm	James Delcour, Derek Williams
3:45 pm – 6:00 pm	Monty East, Don Daniels





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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.

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CASINO NIGHT

THE GREATEST CASINO NIGHT ON EARTH

Silent Auction ~ Door Prizes ~ Raffle ~ Carnival Games
Craps ~ Blackjack ~ Texas hold 'em
The Wheel of Bacon ~ Wine & Whiskey Pull

February 3rd | **Nevada County**
2024 | **Fairgrounds**
6:30pm

\$15 per ticket
no host bar, food, and
carnival treats

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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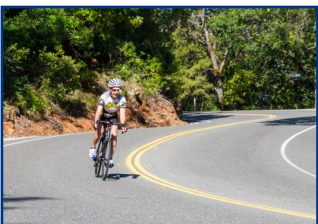
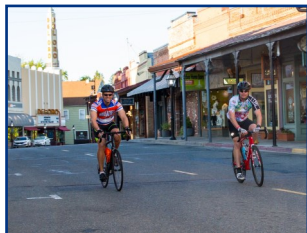
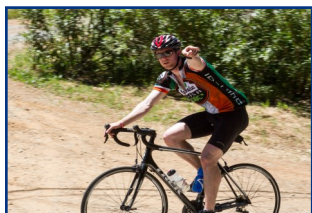
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REGISTER NOW FOR EARLY BIRD SAVINGS.

USE COUPON CODE-- EARLYBIRD2024 TO

GAIN A \$10 SAVINGS

June 1st

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

