



Rotary Club of Grass Valley



The Spoke



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Engage Rotary, Change Lives

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In Club auction for two 2013-2014 Season passes to Sierra-at-Tahoe

If you are an avid skier and want a great deal on 2 season passes to Sierra-at-Tahoe this winter, submit a bid to [Carol & Bob Lenhard](#) no later than Thursday evening 12/19. They must notify the resort of the names going on the passes by Friday. Highest bidder gets the passes. Proceeds will be donated to Rotary's Polio Plus campaign.

\$778 Value. Passes are valid through April 15, 2014, weather permitting. Both passes must be redeemed at the same time.



1111 Sierra-At-Tahoe Rd, Twin Bridges, CA 95735
(530) 659-7453

December is Rotary Family Month

Speakers:

Dec 23 Dark
Dec 30 Dark
Jan 6 Sacramento Kings

Dates to Remember:

Jan 12 Sacramento Kings Rotary Night
Feb 8 Casino Night—Fairgrounds
May 10 1st annual Gould Country Bicycle Challenge
May 15-18 District Conference—Nugget in Sparks, NV

Click here to view: [District 5190 Newsletter December 2013](#)

Rotary District 5180 (Sacramento Area) is collaborating with the Sacramento Kings NBA Basketball Team to sponsor a "Rotary Night at the Kings" basketball game with the Cleveland Cavaliers on Sunday, January 12th 2014. A portion of the proceeds from ticket sales (\$5 \$9 per ticket sold) will be donated by the Kings to the Rotary END POLIO NOW Campaign. [Visit here for more information](#)

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Avenues of Service

Club Service Chair - Steve Spiller
Foundation Chair - Jon Byerrum
International Service Chair - Valerie Logsdon
Membership Chair - Tim McCall
New Generations Chair - Blake Smith
Community Service Chair - GV Rotarian needed
Vocational Service Chair - GV Rotarian needed

Meeting Notes

December 16, 2013

The last meeting of 2013 was called to order by President Steve who had a smile on his face while noting his term as President was officially half over.

Larry Faller led the Pledge of Allegiance and Bob Long had a very inspiring thought for the day, mentioning that divine help would be appreciated while coordinating Casino Night and the Bike Challenge, the club's two fundraisers next year. Ken Holbrook was Sergeant of Arms and Fred Claessens again served as Photographer. There were no visiting Rotarians other than Ginny Trapani from the 49er Rotary Club, the director of the Lyman Gilmore Christmas Choir who performed at the meeting today.

In President Steve's Rotary Minute, he reminded members we would be "Dark" until our first meeting in 2014 on January 6th. He also encouraged all members to get involved with the preparations for Casino Night in February and the Bike Ride in May and help Bob Long and his committees make them the successes we need to accomplish our Club goals for next year. Bob announced Casino Night tickets would be mailed to members on Monday and additional tickets could be obtained by contacting him. He also said that dealer training would be scheduled sometime in the week prior to Casino Night on February 8th. President Steve additionally announced that today was the last day for the sock drive and donations received would be turned in this week.

Under other announcements, Anita Daniels said that a memorial service for Bill Schultz is scheduled to be held on January 11, 2014 at the Nevada County Fairgrounds at a time still TBD. Further information will be provided as it is received.

Eric Trygg introduced his guest and nephew Michael Peclor who is visiting for the holidays. Eric is a student at UC Irvine in Orange County and is studying to be a Physician Assistant. Eric also plays ice hockey and is a certified hockey referee.

Bobby Swanson also introduced our RYE student from Spain (Canary Islands), Nuria. We still need to urgently find a host family for the second part of her visit. If you are even a little bit of interested in possibly doing so, contact Bobby to discuss what is involved and what your commitment would be to be a host family.

It was also time for our annual election of club officers and directors for 2014 – 2015. There were no candidates nominated from the floor or write-in candidates so the previously prepared ballot was approved as submitted. The officers and new directors for 2014-2015 are:

- ◆ President: Steve Spiller
- ◆ President Elect: Bob Long
- ◆ Vice President: Peter Lemmon
- ◆ Treasurer: Marcia Salter
- ◆ Secretary: Tim McCall
- ◆ New Directors: Michelle Belmonte, Anita Daniels, Dave Peeler, John Peplowski

Tom Lathrop was also approved as Executive Secretary again. Congratulations to all the new officers and directors and a special thanks to Tom for keeping us all out of Rotary trouble for another year.

Our program today was a club tradition, the annual performance of the Lyman Gilmore Christmas Choir, once again ably led by Ginny Trapani. The program was an excellent collection of holiday music performed by a great group of middle school students who have a great future ahead of them as singers. And the club gave heartfelt thanks to Ginny, who may or may not be retiring, for her years of dedication to teaching and the hard work she has put into encouraging her students in the development of their musical talents.

Under confessions and other announcements, Bob Lenhard said Carol won a contest associated with their purchase of a new Subaru. One of the prizes included a ski package (two season passes) worth \$700 that will be auctioned by the club with the proceeds to be donated to End Polio Now. Thank you Bob and Carol! The club also thanked Lee and Joanne Osnas again for hosting the recent club Christmas party. Lee said that since damage to the house was minimal, they would be willing to host a club picnic in June or July. That sounds like a great idea and details will, I am sure, be arranged. Tom Lathrop also announced he traded-in his car for a new, used 2007 Chevy Impala with low mileage. Judy Bagely accepted Tom's \$25 fine. Eric Fredrickson announced the school districts would be hosting the State Superintendent of Instruction for a visit to the area this week including tours of NUJHS and Lyman Gilmore School. President Steve added that although the Lyman Gilmore Amphitheater project was not yet complete, it would be done this spring – for sure.

Finally, we had some happy/sad news. Dave Peeler had taken the lead in something Bill Schultz had done for many years. At the last meeting of each year, Bill would pass the pan for donations to give to our waitress as a Christmas gift from the club for her service at lunch the past year. Dave, without being asked to do so, took over this effort this year and through his encouragement the club raised \$695 for our gift to Diane Kehrlein, our waitress the last 5 years. Diane thanked the club and provided each member a gift package of homemade fudge. She also announced she is leaving the Holbrook this January for another position. She again thanked the club for its generosity and support over the years. She was a great supporter of Rotary and our club and she will be missed.

Judy Bagley had the lucky raffle ticket, but alas, it was a white marble.

The meeting was adjourned by President Steve at the usual time and he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Ward

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P.O. Box 1213 – Grass Valley, CA 95945
Meeting location: **Monday** at 12:15 PM
The Holbrooke Hotel – 212 W. Main St.

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.

E-makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

Tuesday

7:00 a.m. Nevada County South,
Alta Sierra Country Club
12:00 Auburn, Auburn Elks Lodge
12:15 Penn Valley, Players Pizza
12:15 Marysville, Peach Tree Golf
& Country Club

Wednesday

7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club,
Escaton Lodge

7:00 a.m. Auburn Daybreak,
Sierra Smokehouse Grill
12:15 Yuba City, The Refuge

Thursday

7:00 a.m. South Yuba County Sunrise
Peachtree Restaurant (Marysville)
12:15 Auburn Gold Country,
The Ridge Golf Course
12:15 Nevada City, National Hotel