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Club of Grass Valley



Club 529 chartered March 16, 1925



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2023-2024 Theme

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



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December 4th, 2023

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President Sean called the meeting to order, and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. No visiting Rotarians were in attendance, however we welcomed several guests of Rotarians. We welcomed Derek Williams' wife, Lisa. We also welcomed their friend, Fatima Hagar.

Our presenter's today were Scott Gassaway and Lael Walz from NAMI Nevada County.

NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization. NAMI Nevada County is a private non-profit organization affiliated with NAMI National and NAMI California.



NAMI is comprised of more than 600 local affiliates who work in communities across the nation to raise awareness, and to provide support and education!

NAMI Family Support Group is a peer-led support group for family members, caregivers, and friends of individuals living with mental illness. Participants gain insight from the challenges and successes of others facing similar situations.

On the evening of the 3rd Thurs of the month, NAMI Nevada County supports our community with a General Education presentation at the [Salvation Army Building in G.V.](#) This is extremely important because there is no road-maps on how to navigate the mental illness arena, and 1 in 20 adults have a life-long mental health condition.

If you would like additional information on this topic, than please explore their [website](#)!

UPCOMING EVENTS

[SNMHF Christmas Party](#)
[Casino Night Planning Meeting](#)
[Club Meeting - Annual Club Meeting](#)
[Wreaths Across America](#)
[Club Christmas Party \(Scott Browne's House\)](#)
[Club Meeting - Global Music Fellowship \(Rod Fivelstad\)](#)
[Club Meeting - DARK - Christmas](#)
[Area 4 Blood Drive](#)
[Casino Night](#)
[District Conference](#)

December 5
December 6
December 11
December 16
December 16
December 18
December 25
All of December
February 3
May 17-19

CLUB WORKDAYS

Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ GV SPD
Plastic Recycling Project

December 16 & 23
Ongoing

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN NOVEMBER

Birthdays

Kim Zwick	Dec 06
Kellie Gruenefeldt	Dec 13
Ryan Sykes	Dec 17
John Walker	Dec 18
David Peeler	Dec 20
Bobbie Swanson	Dec 29

Rotary Anniversaries

Christian Eggleton	6 Yrs
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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONFESSIONS

There is a dinner and toy donation on Monday, December 18th in Taylorsville to support Dixie Fire victims. Please [contact](#) Wyn for more info.

At the Rotary Foundation Dinner, our club received the 2021-2022 / 2022-2023 Foundation Giving Club Award. We had 100% participation of at least \$100 per donation!



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"TEAMWORK IS THE SECRET THAT MAKES COMMON PEOPLE ACHIEVE UNCOMMON RESULTS" — IFEANYI ENOCH ONUOHA

[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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Grass Valley Rotary

Merry Christmas

Dinner & Party

Saturday December 16
Cocktails 5:30 - Dinner 6:30

Join us for a classic ham and turkey dinner with all the fixings. (pot luck-sign up sheet attached) Celebrate the evening with music including Kris & Dom Stepanian . White Elephant gift exchange (\$20 limit)

\$20
Per Person

Scott Browne's Home

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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](#) Club for additional details





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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

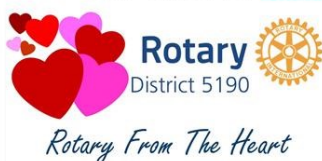
* Prices include conference registration fee and meals. Registration fee is non-refundable.

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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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 :

wreathsassamerica.org/CA0231P

or by mailing a check to:

Bonnie Magnetti
22627 Sunset Ridge Dr.
Auburn, CA 95602

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

December 16th
12 Noon
(Cut off for wreath sponsorship is)
(November 28th.)



Click [HERE](#) to go to the event website