

The Spoke Newsletter



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December 6, 2021

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Club News

Pledge by **Pamela Mirkin**

Thought for the Day by **Larry McGrath**

Visiting Rotarians: **Ray Ward**, Citrus Heights, **Larry Davis**, Grass Valley South

Announcements:

Jon Byerrum is working on a Rotary Environmental Project. Extracting lithium from batteries for recycling. Jon will have a project report ready soon and will be asking for volunteers to help.

Larry McGrath provided results from the 2021 Foundation Drive, Startling results: \$20,000 plus in contributions which is a record with 100% participation. Thank you **Scott Browne** and **Larry** for your excellent organization of the drive.

Program: District Governor 5190's annual visit to the club. **Anita Daniels'** amazing presentation covered her years in Rotary and how important the club is to her and Don.

Awards: DG Anita Daniels presented awards. President Kathleen honored **Ryan Sykes as the Quiet Rotarian** and **Fred Claessens as the Heart of the Club**.

Paul Harris Pins Honored were **Pam Mirkin, Jon Byerrum, Andrea and Christian Eggleton, Larry McGrath, and Diana Hendry**

Candy Auction for Polio Plus Congratulations to Members for their outstanding support. Anita raised \$1,770 for PolioPlus.

4 Way Test was led by **Sandra Barrington**

Holiday Season is upon us, and this year we want to celebrate with our friends!

We've scheduled a Christmas Party for Friday, December 17th at 5:30PM at the Nevada County Horsemen's Clubhouse on Bubbling Wells Road in Grass Valley.

Please see the flyer attached for details. We need you to come, bring a guest, and provide a potluck food item. We'd also appreciate it if you would sign up to prepare an entree item listed on the attached, (purchased by the club), or sign up to decorate or clean up after. [Sign up here](#)

And, don't forget to bring an exchange item for our White Elephant exchange. That's always a FUN activity.

Please let Anita know if you can make it or not, no later than Monday, December 13th. (We will be following all COVID guidelines, so masks will be required except while eating or drinking.)

December is Disease Prevention & Treatment Month!

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY MESSAGE



For the past 30+ years, Rotary has attacked the polio virus with a vengeance. Our Polio Plus campaign, along with the support of numerous other health organizations and the Gates Foundation, have vigorously worked to eradicate polio.

At each of my club visits we have auctioned off a box of Rotarian Mark Leiser's (Reno Cen-

Upcoming Programs:

Dec 6 Filmmaker Allen Myers-[Regenerating Paradise](#) + Students of the Month ZOOM
Dec 13 Club Assembly and elections ZOOM
Dec 20 DARK—Christmas Holiday
Dec 27 DARK—New Year Holiday

Dates to Remember:

Dec 17, 2021 Club Christmas Party @ Horseman's Lodge 5:30pm
Dec 18, 2021 Wreaths Across America 12:00 @ St Patricks Cemetery
Dec 18 & 19 Salvation Army Bell ringing @ SPD GV 10-6
Feb 5, 2022 Casino Night "VIVA Las Vegas @ NC Fairgrounds
June 4-8, 2022 [Rotary International Convention](#) in Houston, TX
June 11, 2022 Gold Country Challenge

tennial Sunset) delicious chocolate candy, which he donated to the cause. As of December 1st, your candy dollars have raised over \$29,000 towards our Polio Plus campaign! Thank you for your support, Rotarians!!

Sadly, on November 10th we were notified that 2 more cases of wild polio virus (type 1) had been identified in October, both cases in Afghanistan. While this is disappointing, the incident was not totally unexpected, as the area in this country, Kunduz province, has been inaccessible for house-to-house vaccinations since 2019. Additionally, the two new cases are genetically related. One piece of good news in this situation is that the district where the cases occurred, was just covered by house-to-house vaccination teams during the nationwide polio vaccination campaign in November.

We cannot afford to give up our fight against polio. We've come a long way, and we should not allow the Covid pandemic to undo these achievements. Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free..... If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year.

Every donation helps us obtain the vaccines, transport, and materials needed in the fight against polio. A donation of \$100 or more signifies your status into the Polio Plus Society.

Anita Daniels

District Governor 2021-22
Rotary International District 5190

The Lyman Gilmore News Network team is looking for gently used 35mm digital SLR cameras. If you have one to donate, please contact **Bob Long**

December Birthdays

Kim Zwick Dec 5
Ryan Sykes Dec 17
Jonathan Walker Dec 18
David Peeler Dec 20
Bobbie Swanson Dec 29

December Anniversaries

Lee & Joanne Osnas 37 years

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December Rotary Anniversaries

Christian Eggleton 4 years
Don Rogers 4 years
Chris Parks 5 years



Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213 – Grass Valley, CA 95945

Meeting time: **Monday** at 12:15 PM

[Wild Eye Pub](#)

[535 Mill Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945](#)

Area 4 Clubs:

[Penn Valley Rotary](#) meets @ Players Pizza
Tuesday 12 noon every other week

[Grass Valley South](#) meets @ Litton Bldg
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.

[Nevada City Rotary](#) meets @ Litton Bldg
2nd & 4th Thursday noon lunch
1st & 3rd Thursday 5:30 social

49er Rotary meets @ Miner's Foundry
Wednesday 7:00 a.m.