



Rotary Club of Grass Valley



The Spoke



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President's Message: Steve's Scale



Fellow Rotarians,

Well we made it! Another successful Casino Night Fundraiser completed by our great Club. Many thanks to everyone that contributed. Special thanks to Mr. Bob Long for chairing the event. We'll have final numbers for you all once the dust settles. Initial \$ show we are on



to the Bike Event!

This Monday will be our Cub's music contest. It's always a great show so make an extra effort to attend and bring a guest. Speech contest to follow within a few weeks. Be looking for announcements for both area contests as well. We also have some field trips in the works as the weather approaches spring (but hey, who needs spring for warm weather... pray for rain you all).

One trip everyone will want to make is to our adoptive school Lyman Gilmore. We'll get to take a look at two of our projects done at that location this year: the amphitheater and Gilmore News Network upgrades.

At the District level we have our Assembly in April and Conference in May. Please go to the District website and sign up ASAP. These are great events as we push through the 2nd half of the Rotary Year.

Membership is the hot topic right now. Don't forget about asking a potential new member to attend a meeting. Membership is important to sustain a healthy club.

Yours in Rotary,

Steve Sarantopoulos
President, Rotary Club of Grass Valley

Speakers:

Feb 24 Club Music Contest
Mar 10 Club Speech Contest

Dates to Remember:

Mar 18 Youth Speech Contest—Nevada Theater
Apr 5 District Assembly - Atlantis Hotel, Reno
May 10 1st annual Gold Country Bicycle Challenge
May 15-18 District Conference—Nugget in Sparks, NV

Click here to view: [District 5190 February 2014 Newsletter](#)



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

February is Rotary World Understanding Month

Meeting Notes

February 17, 2014

Our Craft Talk Meeting was kicked off with John Peplowski leading the Pledge, Tim McCall sharing his "Thought for the Day" and Bob Long paying up on a beer bet between he and Steve Sarantopoulos. Bob also shared that 85% of our Club members participated in our February 8th Casino Night - final fundraising numbers will be shared soon.

Tim McCall led our "Rotary Moment" on New Membership sharing strategies to attract new members and keep current members. Chuck Elizondo shared his strategy of always keeping "What Rotary is All About" information cards in his wallet and being prepared when he meets a potential new member.



Club Biz and Announcements:

- Bob Long gave an update on the Gold Country Challenge Bike Ride giving Jet Love (?) as the contact for the children's rodeo at jetlove@bikeride.com
- Anita Daniels shared the initial details of the upcoming Nevada County Speech Tournament that is co-sponsored by our Club and Tri Counties Bank. As of this writing, Anita has already committed the names of our judges to the tournament organizers.
- Dick Panzica shared the emotion around viewing the movie, "Lone Survivor" about Navy Seals and the rules of engagement.

- Marcia gladly paid a \$100 fine in recognition of her new grandson "Blake".
- Monty East was recognized for 29 years of perfect attendance.



Our Craft Talk session highlighted Bill Standley

Bill was born in Detroit into a family that had roots in the auto industry – the sheet metal side. He describes himself as a "spoiled postwar child who does a mean Rocky and Bullwinkle – a nerd from a very early age who brought electronics home from the dump and

couldn't put them back together – so he became an engineer". Bill interned with GM and loved the Corvette! His first job in California was in Thousand Oaks and, after traveling around, ended up in San Luis Obispo and the Bay Area. Bill was employee #23 in the company that today is Symantec. After some time locally with Telestream, Bill is now with AJA Video Systems. Bill enjoys his 6 children ranging in age from 2 – 18 years old and was a former Class B professional baseball player! Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm.



Submitted by Judy Hess

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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