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January 27th, 2025

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Today's meeting was lead by our President Elect. We had no guest speaker for this week's meeting, and we had no visiting Rotarians nor were any guests of Rotarian's present.

Casino Night is a major community and fundraising event for our club, and it is less than a week away! Our club decided to focus our efforts on ensuring that a majority of the taskers pertaining to Casino Night were either assigned, in-progress, or completed!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Casino Night | February 1 |
| Club Meeting: Presenter is yet TBD | February 3 |
| Area 4 Instrument Donation Day | February 8 |
| Club Meeting: Presenter is yet TBD | February 10 |
| Club Meeting: DARK | February 17 |
| Rotary Presidential Peace Conference | February 20-22 |
| Club Meeting: DARK | February 24 |
| Club Board Mtg: WSMC Glasson Way @ 12 | February 24 |
| Area 4 Speech Contest (GVSD Office) | February 25 |
| Club Centennial Celebration | March 28 |
| District 5190 Top Gun Conference | May 2-4 |
| Gold Country Challenge | June 7 |
| Rotary International Convention | June 21-25 |

UPCOMING PROJECTS - People of Action

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| Plastic Recycling Project | Ongoing |
| Gaga Ball Pit Installation at TLC | TBD |
| Rotary At Work Day | April 25 |
| Grad Breakfast at Chicago Park Middle School | June |

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN JANUARY

| Birthdays | | Rotary Anniversaries | |
|------------------|-------|----------------------|--------|
| Dennis Burbridge | Jan 3 | Tim McCall | 25 Yrs |
| | | Andrew Withers | 4 Yrs |
| | | Andrew Jackson | 4 Yrs |

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONFESSIONS

Jonathan spoke about an upcoming [Valentine's Day event at the Gold Country Senior Center](#) on February 2nd from 1-4pm



"This will be an exciting event where the community will sample delicious pairings from multiple artisan vendors. Our Vendors are especially thrilled to showcase wine and chocolate perfect to share for Valentine's Day with that special someone. [Tickets are \\$35 presale](#), and \$40 at the door."

We are still in need of volunteers for [Casino Night!](#)

Please [contact](#) our club if you are able to help out!



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Every man I meet is my superior in some way. In that, I learn from him." - Emerson

Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Meets @ the [Wild Eye Pub](#) on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Mon at 12:15 pm

Area 4 Rotary Clubs

[Penn Valley Rotary](#) meets @ [Players Pizza](#) at 12 pm on every other Tues

[Grass Valley South](#) meets @ the Courtyard Suites at 7 am on Tues

[Nevada City Rotary](#) meets @ [TJ's Roadhouse](#) 2nd and 4th Thurs at 12:15 pm
Food order RSVP needed the day prior at [ncrotary.org](#). On the 1st and 3rd Thurs, meeting is 5:30 pm at [Round Table Pizza](#)

[49er Rotary Breakfast Club](#) meets @ the [Miners Foundry](#) on Wed at 7 - 8 am



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Plastic Recycling Project

Commercial Plastic Wrap is picked-up at the following locations:

- ◆ Nevada County Food Bank
- ◆ AJA Electronics
- ◆ Hills Flat Lumber

The plastic is then recycled and made into [TREX Benches](#)

Next bench will be dedicated to Larry Allen at WSMC Glasson!

Please contact [Bob](#) for more info!



3,629 pounds of commercial plastic has been collected so far!

GREAT WORK, KEEP IT UP!



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CASINO NIGHT AT THE
Copacabana

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025
6:30PM

Nevada County Fairgrounds
Grass Valley, California

Silent Auction~ Door Prizes ~ Craps
Blackjack ~ Texas hold 'em ~ Photo Booth
Prize Wheels ~ Wine & Whiskey Pull

Live music featuring
Kris & Dominic Stepanian

\$15 per ticket
no host bar, food
21+ and over

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Either get tickets by using the QR Code, going to this [site](http://www.GVRotary.org), or buying them from a Rotarian!

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Musical Instrument Drive

Rotary 
Clubs of Penn Valley, Nevada City,
Nevada City 49ers, Grass Valley and
Grass Valley South

Do you have any musical instruments that aren't being played? Western Nevada County Rotary Clubs are collecting instruments to refurbish and give to our local middle school music programs.

How can you help?

Bring your used instruments (or funds toward repair)

DONATION DAY: Saturday, February 8, 2025
Lyman Gilmore School 9 am to 1 pm
10837 Rough and Ready Hwy, Grass Valley



For more information call
661-618-7357

Rotarians Make Beautiful Music!

Special thanks to Kiwanis for their support.



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Healing in a Divided World
PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCE

Istanbul, Turkey • 20-22 February 2025
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Centennial Celebration Dinner

5:30 Cocktails ~ 6:30 Dinner

Entertainment ~ Cornish Choir
Dom Stepanian Guitarist

\$75 per person

FRIDAY MARCH 28, 2025

GOLD MINERS INN ~ 121 BANK ST. GRASS VALLEY CA

Scan or send check
to:



Rotary Club of
Grass Valley

PO Box 1213
Grass Valley Ca, 95945

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Rotary District 5190

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2025 Top Gun District Conference

GET READY FOR TAKE OFF
ROTARY DISTRICT 5190 2025 TOP GUN CONFERENCE

AVIATION IS NOT JUST ABOUT THE DESTINATION; IT'S ABOUT THE JOURNEY AND THE EXPERIENCES ALONG THE WAY

TAKE OFF DATE: MAY 2-4, 2025
DESITNATION: FALLON NV.

Click [HERE](#) for more info

This year's conference is going to be the don't miss event of the year.

Join us in beautiful Fallon, Nevada, home to the U.S. Navy Top Gun Fighter School.

Come and celebrate all the great moments and memories we made this Rotary year.



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June 7th

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.

[Rotary Gold Country Challenge Online Registration](#)

Rides will be fully supported and well-marked

Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds





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2025 International Convention

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