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**Spoke Notes**  
recorded by  
**Jen Malone**

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2023-2024 Theme

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



Governor of District 5190

[Stacy Graham](#)

January 29th, 2024

[www.gvrotary.org](#)

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

At this week’s meeting, Fatima Hagar, a future member and the guest of Derek Williams attended our meeting. We had several guest speakers from Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital (SNMH). [Brian Stoltey](#), the Director of Mission Integration and Community Health, and Christine Norwood, Medical Social Worker and Substance Use Navigator.



Over 61,000 lives were served through the SNMH Foundation. The Foundation sought to address homelessness in the county several ways. The programs they offer are building to become the hub of healthcare and health related services in Nevada County. One of them being by sponsoring several beds at the [Hospitality House](#). The Rotary 4 way test resonated with Brian as his personal and professional mission along with the healing presence of God.

SNMH was also named “Best Rural Hospital in the State.”



Lyman Gilmore’s January Student’s of the Month

UPCOMING EVENTS

Casino Night	February 3
Aging Well – Gold County Senior Services Event	February 4
Club Program – Chapa-De Indian Health	February 5
Club Program - L.G. SoM, RYE Student, Craft Talk	February 12
Club Meeting - DARK - Presidents’ Day	February 19
Rotary Leadership Institute session	February 24
Club Board Meeting – Club Evening Social	February 26
District Conference	May 17-19

CLUB WORKDAYS

Plastic Recycling Project	Ongoing
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IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN JANUARY

<a href="#">Birthdays</a>		<a href="#">Rotary Anniversaries</a>	
Roger McCort	Jan 01	Andrew Jackson	3 yrs
Dennis Burbridge	Jan 03	Andrew Withers	3 Yrs
		Tim McCall	24 Yrs

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONFESSIONS

Contact [Judy](#) or [Sean](#) to drop off donations for Casino Night. \$20,000 in donations have been made so far! Thank You Nevada County! Bob will be at the fairgrounds for set up on Saturday morning, 8 a.m. Volunteers are still NEEDED to make this successful. Please contact [Pat](#)!



Seth Leishman was given his Paul Harris +4 Pin.

1200 lbs. of plastic has been collected for recycling, looks like we will have another bench for 2025 Casino night!

[Women of Worth](#) need help to install a toilet. Please contact them directly.

Scott Browne and Larry McGrath are going on an African Safari soon.

Pat attended his oldest grandson’s graduation from the Army Officer Candidate’s School at Fort Moore. His grandson is now a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army.

Bob just returned from a 5 day ski trip at Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

In a world brimming with challenges, Rotary stands as a beacon of hope. Beyond our completed projects, our true legacy lies in the lives of those that we’ve uplifted. The real triumph is in the stories of individuals whose worlds have been transformed by Rotary’s initiatives; story’s of hope, resilience, and empowerment that resonate and inspire. Together, we spark a continuous flame of hope and progress; illuminating a path for others to follow and build upon. This enduring impact, woven through the tapestry of countless lives and communities, is the true measure of Rotary’s success. - Rotary Club of San Juan Capistrano

<a href="#">Rotary Club of Grass Valley</a>		<a href="#">Area 4 Rotary Clubs</a>	
<a href="#">P.O. Box 1213 Grass Valley, CA 95945</a>		<a href="#">Nevada City Rotary</a> meets @ <a href="#">TJ's Roadhouse</a> 2nd and 4th Thurs at 12:15 pm Food order RSVP needed by the day prior at <a href="#">ncrotary.org</a> . On the 1st and 3rd Thurs, the meeting is 5:30 pm at <a href="#">Round Table Pizza</a>	
Meets @ the <a href="#">Wild Eye Pub</a> on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Mon at 12:15 pm		<a href="#">Penn Valley Rotary</a> meets @ <a href="#">Players Pizza</a> at 12 pm on every other Tues	
		<a href="#">Grass Valley South</a> meets @ the Courtyard Suites at 7 am on Tues	
		<a href="#">49er Rotary Breakfast Club</a> meets @ the <a href="#">Miners Foundry</a> on Wed at 7 - 8 am	





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## CASINO NIGHT

**THE GREATEST CASINO NIGHT ON EARTH**

Silent Auction ~ Door Prizes ~ Raffle ~ Carnival Games  
Craps ~ Blackjack ~ Texas hold 'em  
The Wheel of Bacon ~ Wine & Whiskey Pull

**February 3rd**  
**2024**  
**6:30pm**

**Nevada County**  
**Fairgrounds**

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

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**Gold Country**

SENIOR SERVICES

*Presents...*

## AGING WELL

*Wine...Chocolate...Cheese*

*An interactive wine, chocolate and cheese tasting event*

**Save the date**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**1-4 P.M.**

**Ponderosa Hall**

**Nevada County Fairgrounds**

Enjoy:

Delicious Pairings ♥ Silent Auction ♥ Artisan Vendors



*Tickets are \$35/\$40 at the door and  
go on sale December 1st.*

*For more information:*

*[goldcountryservices.org](http://goldcountryservices.org)*

*(530) 615-4541*







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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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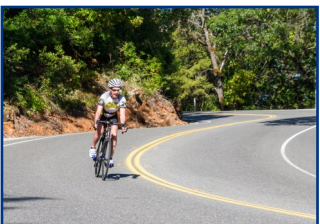
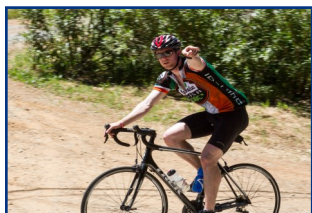
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**REGISTER NOW FOR EARLY BIRD SAVINGS.**

**USE COUPON CODE-- EARLYBIRD2024 TO**

**GAIN A \$10 SAVINGS**

## June 1st

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. Discover why the [Amgen](#) has selected to ride through Nevada County on multiple occasions.

Visit the [website](#) and pick from four different events

Rides will be fully supported and well-marked

Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds

