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The Spoke



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December 16, 2019 Club News

President Marcia Salter presided over the meeting. Pledge: **Heather Thorpe**; Thought for the Day: **John Peplowski**; Greeter: **Becky Sabaja**; Set-Up: **Ken Holbrook and Don Daniels**. There were no visiting Rotarians nor guests this week before Christmas.

Announcements:

Club Calendar: There will be no more meetings in 2019. The next meeting will be on January 6, 2020; the Dec.19 Board Meeting is cancelled.

Fines: John Peplowski and Ken Holbrook were levied fines; **Eric Fredricson** paid \$10 for his participation in the motorcycle parade.

Noteworthy Club News:

- The club gave a generous Christmas donation to the assembled waitpersons of the Wild Eye Pub;
- John Peplowski, Ken Holbrook, Bob Long, Heather Thorpe** and many other GV Rotarians played Santa as Salvation Army Bell Ringers;
- Monty East and Pat Ward** represented the club as wreath layers on Veterans Day at the St. Patrick Church Cemetery.

- The grant for Lyman Gilmore Middle School has been approved by Rotary International
- Lyman Gilmore Middle School Students of the Month were awarded their Rotary Club achievement certificates for December

Speaker:



Rod Byers, Wine Specialist and Expert, Newspaper Wine Columnist; etc.

Topic: Climate Change and its Effect on the Wine Industry
Highlights of Talk: Rod Byers gave a dynamic talk regarding the nature and status of the wine industry throughout the world, but principally he focused on the wine industry in California. His link to the effects of world wide climate change and its impact on wine production. Rod stated that grapes are incredibly sensitive to temperature

changes and by analyzing a grape's chemical structure one can "measure climate change". For example, when it gets too hot a grape stops making sugar which is vital to the production of excellent wine "and a grape is unhappy when it gets too hot; when it gets colder a grape becomes happier". Rod traced this climate trend back centuries and how it has effected wine production. As temperatures warm, regional wine stand out varieties have, or will have to change to other types of wine. Rod stated it will come down to this for regional wine producers: "they will have to either change the style of their wines with their present grapes, or change the grapes and adopt a new style of wine". There is no doubt that Rod thinks that on-going climate change will change the future of wine production...It was too bad that Rod ran out of time as his presentation was interesting, provocative and in need of some clarification through a few questions from the club attendees. Anyway, President Marcia ended the Club meeting promptly at 1:15 PM with the comment, " the rest of the story later".

Upcoming Programs:

- 1/6 Club Assembly + Craft Talks
- 1/13 TBD
- 1/20 DARK - Martin Luther King Day
- 1/27 Sheriff Shannon Moon
- 2/3 Union Newspaper - Brian Hamilton Editor
- 2/10 Greg Diaz - Registrar of Voters

Dates to Remember:

- Jan 11-12 California CareForce Health Clinic
- Jan 16 BOD meeting @ Seth's office 420 Sierra College Blvd #200
- Jan 25 Rotary Leadership II @ Ensemble Designs - Nevada City
- Jan 31 Grants Management Training
- Feb 1 Casino Night 2020 @ Nevada County Fairgrounds
- Feb 19 Community Awards

Drawing-black or white marble: **Larry Fallor** had the winning number, but drew a white one.

A Night at the Speakeasy, our 29th Annual Casino Night, is 2/1/2020. Get the word out! Invite your friends, family, neighbors and business associates. Gather your donations for the raffle and silent auction and drop them off at Scott Browne's office on S. Auburn St. Sell your tickets and let's get folks in the door. It's going to be a GREAT event! We are at 26 days and counting!

January Birthdays		January Anniversaries	
Dennis Burbridge	Jan 3	Jerry & Judy Trammell	55 years
		Kelly & Teresa Quinn	21 years
District Newsletter January 2020		Rotary Anniversaries	
		Ed Sylvester	40 years
		Tim McCall	20 years

Rotary Club of Grass Valley
P.O. Box 1213 – Grass Valley, CA 95945
Meeting location: **Monday** at 12:15 PM
[Wild Eye Pub, 535 Mill Street, GV](#)

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.

Tuesday
7:00 a.m. Grass Valley South,
[Grass Valley Courtyard Suites](#) —
6pm social last Tues of month
12:00 Auburn, [Auburn Elks Lodge](#)
12:15 Penn Valley, [Players Pizza](#)
5:00 Auburn Sunset, [Sierra Grill](#)

E-makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

Wednesday
7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club,
[Trolley Junction, Nevada City](#)
Thursday
12:15 Auburn Gold Country
[The Ridge Golf Course](#)
12:00 Nevada City, [Trolley Junction](#)
Except 1st & 3rd Thurs @
5:30pm