

The Spoke Newsletter



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March 21, 2022

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Club News

March is Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Month

March 7, 2022 Meeting Notes: Larry McGrath led the Pledge to our flag. Then, as a token of thanks, President Kathleen presented Pam Mirkin a bottle of wine for her hard work as club secretary.

Principal Lisa Lewell introduced the March Students of the Month from Lyman Gilmore School. Congratulations to Belle, Brandon, Cadence and Sadie Ann.

3 new members were inducted into the club today. Welcome to Jamie Jones and James Declour of the Fire Safe Council; and Tina Reynolds, branch manager of Banner Bank Grass Valley

March 14, 2022 Meeting Notes:

The club had a full program with 3 speakers on the agenda.

Jon Byerrum led the pledge.

President Kathleen asked Bill Tobin to drop in on Zoom and give us an update on ShelterBox, and what is happening in Ukraine. The country will need considerable help and ShelterBox is involved to help provide needed assistance. There are many ways we can contribute.

We had guests of Aldo Vibanco Castro from Banner Bank and Greg Nichols from Kiwanis.

Greg Nichols, a board member of Gold Country Senior Services, was the second speaker. He explained their programs and, in particular, their newest project, the remodel and reopening of a community Senior Center in Nevada County. Speaking also was Jonathan Walker of our club and Senior Service board member who is the project coordinator for the new center.

The Senior Center will act as the meal preparation and distribution hub for the Meals on Wheels program and the senior lunch cafe' program. When completed it will also function as a community hub for nutrition education, social service case management, socialization programs such as bingo, exercising, and falls prevention classes.

The biggest current need is for financial support for the purchase of new and refurbished commercial kitchen equipment. The first phase is to relocate the existing small kitchen located at the senior apartments on Old Tunnel Rd. in Grass Valley to their building site at 231 Colfax Ave., the old Summer Thyme bakery.

There are many volunteer opportunities for you to get involved.

Jon Byerrum, the peripatetic Rotarian, has returned. He is heading the committee to help our club meet Rotary International's Environmental Sustainability Goal. For our first project, GV Rotary is joining with the four other Rotary Clubs in the district to collect and assist in recycling Lithium-Ion batteries. The first countywide collection has been set for:

Saturday, April 2nd

10:00-2:30 p.m.

Litton Engineering Building

200 Litton Drive, Grass Valley

All rechargeable batteries will be accepted. Typical recycled devices include cell phones, tablets, electric toothbrushes and shavers, e-readers, and batteries for rechargeable power tools. With the exception of power tools batteries, bring in the entire device for recycling.

Details on the second project will be forth-coming.

Upcoming Programs:

- 3/21/22 [California Care Force](#) Mindy Oberne
- 3/28/22 [Social—Bowling Tournament Prosperity Lanes 12:15 p.m.](#)
- 4/4/22 [Sheriff Shannan Moon](#)
- 4/11/22 [Possible Bowling Tournament Final](#)
- 4/18/22 [Fire Safe Council](#)

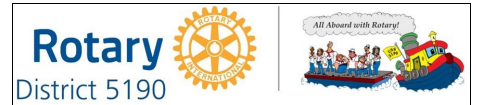
Dates to Remember:

- March 22, 2022 [GCC planning meeting 8:00 a.m. Tofanelli's](#)
- March 31, 2022 [Board of Directors Meeting 5:30-7:00 p.m. ZOOM](#)
- March 27, 2022 [People of Action Awards @ Miner's Foundry 4-6 p.m.](#)
- April 2, 2022 [Lithium battery collection Litton Building 10-2:30 p.m.](#)
- April 4, 2022 [Area 4 Speech Contest - Location TBA](#)
- April 20, 2022 [Foundation Dinner @ Miner's Foundry](#)
- 4/29-5/1 2022 [District Conference—Harrah's Lake Tahoe](#)
- 5/5-5/12 2022 [Great Gold Country Community Auction](#)
- June 4-8, 2022 [Rotary International Convention in Houston, TX](#)
- June 11, 2022 [Gold Country Challenge @ Nevada County Fairgrounds](#)

The Raffle is back! Please support our fundraising effort by purchasing a ticket at our regular in-person meetings.

Group discount code is available for Harrah's

Register for the 2021-2022
[District 5190 Conference](#)
@ Harrah's Lake Tahoe
April 29-May 1, 2022



PEOPLE of ACTION

Join Area 4 Rotarians as we honor our local People of Action: Police & Fire Departments, Educators, Medical Professionals, Grocery Workers. Tickets are \$25 cash or check at the door. No Host Bar
Small plates & appetizers
March 27, 2022 4-6 P.M.
[Miner's Foundry](#)

March Birthdays

Chris Parks March 8
John Peplowski March 14

March Rotary

Anniversaries

Lee Osnas 38 years
Kathleen Egenes 24 years
Kim Zwick 23 years
Bobbie Swanson 20 years
Sandra Barrington 9 years

March Anniversaries

Scott & Lori Spencer 35 years
Monty & Judy East 31 years
Scott & Angie McFarland 22 years
Bobbie Swanson & Jack Cramer 18 years

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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.