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The Spoke



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Club News

The Great Gold Country Community Auction is LIVE now! If you haven't done so yet, visit <https://www.32auctions.com/rotaryclubofgrassvalley> to sign up and bid on some great items. Share the link with family and friends to get them involved and help one of our club's major fundraisers of the year. The auction will conclude with a live zoom event on April 8th starting at 5:30pm. We will celebrate the winners, sponsors, auction donors, and the great work our club does in the community.

March 15, 2021 Meeting

Announcements:

- **Cheryl and Ken Holbrook** have moved into their new home in Lake Wildwood
- **Diana Hendry** is a 1st time Grandma. She's so happy she contributed \$25 to become a bell ringer.
- **Dave Peeler** announced there is a GoFundMe page for local man, **Nick Conklin**, who is in the ICU fighting complications from COVID-19.

Ken Holbrook was our speaker. He entertained us with stories of Nevada County and the little town of Red Dog,



- The only remaining landmark of the once thriving town of 2,000 is the graveyard.
- You Bet, California Gold Fever by Jerry Brady is available from the Nevada County Historical Society or on Amazon
- The water canon in Callahan Park, originally from Red Dog, was donated to Nevada City in 1963
- In 1850, 3 men, each under the age of 22, discovered gold on the east side of Greenhorn Ridge. The youngest of the men, age 15, named the town after a zinc mine
- The city in the 1969 movie, *Paint your Wagon*, was based on Nevada City because the brother of actor Robert Mitchum lived here.
- Samuel Clemens came thru town on a lecture tour on Oct. 24, 1966. It was the first time he was introduced as Mark Twain

March 22, 2021 Meeting

Tim McCall let the pledge
Larry Davis joined us as a guest today
March Students of the Month from Lyman Gilmore School were introduced by Farah Friend.



Upcoming Programs:

- Mar 29 Tom Oates-Toys for Tots
- April 5 Tbd
- April 12 Prof. Bevin Ashenmiller-Economics of climate change
- April 19 Patrick Eidman—Nevada County Fairgrounds

Dates to Remember:

- March 25-April 8 The Great Gold Country Community Auction
- April 22 Board of Directors meeting via ZOOM @ 5:15pm
- April 30-May 8 **RALLYE Week** \$59 Online
(Rotary Awards, Learning, Leadership Yearly Event)
- June 12-16 International Conference Taipei, Taiwan
- Sept 11, 2021 Gold Country Challenge @ NC Fairgrounds
- Sept 11 District Vibrant Club Workshop

They included:
Dishal 5th grade Congratulations students!
Malis 6th grade
Isabell 7th grade
Jocelyn 8th grade
Hayden PE



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Announcements:

- Special thanks from **Larry Faller** to the group of Rotarians who helped with the painting at Salvation Army this past week.
- Diana Hendry was sent a video from Lyman Gilmore School letting us know the kids are finally able to play with the 9 Square game we installed on the playground last year

Monty East was our speaker. He gave us a primer course of what the local real estate market is like today

- Monty began his real estate career after retiring from PG&E
 - To sell property in California, one must get a license from the state by passing a comprehensive exam
 - The median price of homes in California was \$544,000 in Jan 2021. Prices continue to increase while inventory is down
 - Rentals are currently at a premium in our area
 - Many sellers are moving out of state.
 - Many buyers are coming from the Bay area. Their main concerns are about the local medical facilities and internet speeds.
 - The Bay area migration has slowed but they are still coming.
 - Office and professional buildings are losing leases but the light industrial market is stable
 - Real estate is cyclical. When inventory is up, prices are down. Currently inventory is down and prices are up
- The Four Way test was recited and the meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm