

# Rotary Club of Grass Valley



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## Meeting Highlights 5/7/18

We had a jam packed meeting! We were vigorously led in our pledge to the Flag by **Chuck Elizondo** followed by a very thoughtful "Thought of the Day" by **Jon Peek**. After a few announcements from President Scott he reminded us of the upcoming Gold Country Challenge and District Conference on May 19. **Bob Long** was fined for talking about the Gold Country Challenge out of turn and he graciously passed it on to incoming president

**Kris Stepanian**. It was great to honor our outstanding students of the month from our sponsored school, Lyman Gilmore. It's great to see their hard work recognized. Also of importance was the induction of our newest member, **Judith O'Toole**. Judy is a transfer from the Grass Valley South club.



Our RYE Student, **Ruth Souza**, gave an interesting presentation on her home country of Brazil. We learned that São Paulo is the 2nd largest city in the world based on a population of 11,037,593. She grew up about 6 hours northwest of São Paulo in a city called Marilia with 232,000 people. She is from Rotary District 4510 which was founded in 1/21/1988 and her sponsoring club has 24 members. She shared with us the special relationship she has with her sister who is in a wheelchair and handi-

## Speakers:

- 5/14 **Lynette Andersen—Oak Park Rotary House**
- 5/21 **Jon Byerrum & Holly Hermansen-Nepal travelogue**

## Dates to Remember:

- May 18-20 District Conference—Reno
- May 19 Gold Country Bike Challenge @ NC Fairgrounds
- June 3 Joint board meeting/social Pres Scott's home 2:00 pm
- June 18 Demotion picnic
- June 23-27 Rotary International Convention Toronto, Canada
- July 2 Kris' first meeting as president

capped due to complications from a heart surgery as an infant. Her time in Grass Valley has been marked with many firsts. She had never seen snow before and was able to ski for the first time this winter. During the warmer months she was able to play golf (a new experience) and ranked 1st in the San Joaquin Section in tennis. She dominated at tennis and was voted MVP of Nevada Union's Tennis Team and chosen as one of NU's top 10 Athlete's selected by teachers and coaches. She excelled academically as well and has earned a 3.8 GPA during her time here on top of tennis, soccer, and the many trips and responsibilities of an RYE Student. She has spent 9 months in our RYE Exchange and loved every minute of it. She expressed her gratitude to our club and wanted to extend a big thank you to all of our members!

We are deeply saddened by the news of Sam Aanestad's passing. Our heartfelt condolences to Eric and Tiffani Aanestad and family. For those wishing to pay their respects, details on the memorial service will be coming soon.

Bob Long sent out a call for pop-up tents, sturdy folding chairs, and camping tables to be used at the Gold Country Challenge on Saturday May 19. Give him a shout if you can help out.

### Rotary Club of Grass Valley

P.O. Box 1213 – Grass Valley, CA 95945  
Meeting location: **Monday** at 12:15 PM  
Holbrooke Hotel, 212 W. Main St, 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](http://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, Nevada City](#) Except 1st & 3rd Thurs @  
5:30pm