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Meeting Highlights 10/30/17

Meeting called to order at 12:15 by President Scott Browne. He thanked the weekly team of: Pledge – Eric Trygg; Thought for the Day - Anita Daniels; Greeters – Tom Lathrop and new member, Connie Stone; Set-up: Ken Holbrook; and Spoke Notes – Judy Bagley.

Visiting Rotarian this day is Scott Lay from the 49er Breakfast Club who is the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools.

Guests of Rotarians: President Scott introduced his assistant, Wendy Cain and his guest, Holly Thomas from Seattle; Marcia Salter introduced our Rotary Exchange Student, Ruth Souza; and Tom Stanley introduced his guest, Doug Newnan soon to be a new member.

Announcements:

- Carol Lenhard stated the Halloween Book Give-Away would be happening on Tuesday, October 31st, at the Center for the Arts and members assisting to come at their scheduled time in appropriate costumes to help greet the children.
- Bob Long announced that he had put chits on the table to raise funds for the local fire victims, or one could give cash, or send him an email and he would arrange for the billings. Funds raised will be split between the Salvation Army Fire Relief and the Community Fund which is headed by the business community and partially funded thru the Area Rotary Giving Tree. Later in the meeting, Bob announced that we raised \$1500 today and he would hold the giving open until next Monday.
- Ken Holbrook announced that he and his wife Cheryl Rellstab will host our Christmas Party at their home on Banner Mountain, Saturday, December 16th.



The meeting then took a new and exciting turn! Jon Byerrum commenced our annual Foundation Drive and our President left the building!!! Jon mentioned several facts and history about the foundation and different projects in parts of the world such as Cambodia, Uganda and immunization to eradicate Polio which Steve and Wyn Spiller did in India a few years back. “Doing Good in the World” is the theme. In the early years the foundation did not raise much, but in 1947 when Paul Harris,

founder of Rotary, died the Rotarians around the world raised over 1 million dollars for the foundation and it has been going strong ever since. In 2016 the Rotary International Foundation received the Outstanding Foundation of the World award! Since 1985 the charge to eradicate Polio in the world has continued to be successful and as of this year we have had only 12 new cases in Afghanistan/Pakistan. There are zero cases in Nigeria this year, but a country needs a 3-year track record of zero cases to be considered Polio Free. A video was played, albeit the sound left the building! And then....

Speakers:

- Nov 6 Craft Talks, Casino Night Kick Off, Students
- Nov 13 Rea Callandar—Tree planting project at Fairgrounds
- Nov 20 Karen Harris-NU Nurse—Concussions in Youth Sports
- Nov 27 Club Focus Meeting
- Dec 4 Ed Sylvester—Travels in Venice

Dates to Remember:

- Nov 21 Board of Directors Meeting—President Scott’s office
- Nov 30 Foundation Dinner
- Dec 16 Club Christmas Party @ Ken & Cheryl’s house
- Dec 19 Board of Directors Meeting—President Scott’s office
- Feb 3 Casino Night

The foundation drive begins with a lively game of Wheel of Fortune emceed by Jon Byerrum, judged by Rod Fivelstad and of course, no game of Wheel of Fortune would be complete without the proverbial assistant, Vanna White, which suspiciously resembled our missing President. Vanna gave out valuable prizes to those members at tables with correct answers and the winning table who solved the game each received an additional \$50 to the foundation contribution. Those winners were: Blake Smith, Diane Hendry, Seth Leishman, Chris Parks and Fred Claessens. The club raised over \$17,000 for this day, and more will follow from members not yet able to contribute!



The meeting ended at 1:25 pm with the raffle wherein Ken Holbrook won the opportunity, but alas he pulled the white marble.

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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,
[Union Square Bldg](#)— 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, [National Hotel](#)
Except 1st & 3rd Thurs @ 5:30pm