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Club of Grass Valley



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President of Rotary International

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Governor of District 5190

Dennis Geare

October 21st, 2024

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

We had several future Club members join us today! Today's meeting was a perfect one for Deb Class and John Spencer to attend. That being because our District Governor, Dennis Geare, was our guest Speaker!



He and Rotary President Sean Jackson recognized two club Rotarians with special awards. Ryan Sykes was recognized as Quiet Rotarian and James Delcour was recognized as Heart Beat Rotarian.

District Governor Geare also spoke to how being a Rotarian contributes to bettering our world and communities. He encouraged each of us to expand our reach, engage our members, and work to increase our ability to adapt. He reiterated how contributions to the Foundation help in the eradication of polio worldwide. He shared how helpful the Rotary community was to him during a difficult time in his life.

He shared a very touching and personal experience with us. His wife was in the hospital during the COVID epidemic. Since he was not allowed in the hospital, local Rotarians relayed important information to him about her condition. We all make a difference in each other's lives, in one way or another. Our participation in Rotary is not only good for others, it is also good for our souls.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away." William Shakespeare

UPCOMING EVENTS

World Polio Day - Pints for Polio	October 24
Club Meeting - DARK	October 28
Board Meeting - DARK	October 28
Halloween Book Giveaway - Rood Center and Helling Library	October 31
Club Meeting - Nevada County Economic Development Plan	November 4
District 5190 Leadership Workshop	November 9
Country Christmas Faire	November 29 - December 1
Rotary Peace Conference	January 24-26
Casino Night	February 1
Rotary Presidential Peace Conference	February 20-22
Club Centennial Celebration	March 28
District 5190 Top Gun Conference (Fallon, NV - Details to Follow)	April 2-4
Gold Country Challenge	June 7
Rotary International Convention	June 21-25

UPCOMING PROJECTS - People of Action

Plastic Recycling Project	Ongoing
Gaga Ball Pit Installation at TLC	TBD
Halloween Drive Through BBQ (Trick or Tri-Tip)	October 26
Thanksgiving Dinner for Women Of Worth	November
Beer Pours at County Christmas Faire	November
Salvation Army Bell Ringing	December
Rotary At Work Day	April 25
Grad Breakfast at Chicago Park Middle School	June

IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES IN OCTOBER

Birthdays		Rotary Anniversaries	
Judy Wirkner	Oct 2	Teresa Conger	1 Yr
Wyn Spiller	Oct 14	Rod Fivelstad	25 Yrs
Pat Ward	Oct 15	Jon Byerrum	35 Yrs
Andrew Jackson	Oct 18		
Lee Osnas	Oct 25		
Ed Pinto	Oct 30		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was with great sorrow that the club recognized the sudden passing of Kim Zwick. There was a moment of silence held in her honor. Our thoughts and prayers extend to her family during this difficult time. We will pass more information as it becomes available.

[Rotary Club of Grass Valley](#)

[P.O. Box 1213](#)
[Grass Valley, CA 95945](#)

Meets @ the [Wild Eye Pub](#) on the
1st, 2nd, and 3rd Mon at 12:15 pm

[Area 4 Rotary Clubs](#)

[Penn Valley Rotary](#) meets @
[Players Pizza](#) at 12 pm on every other Tues

[Grass Valley South](#) meets @
the [Courtyard Suites](#) at 7 am on Tues

[Nevada City Rotary](#) meets @ [TJ's Roadhouse](#)
2nd and 4th Thurs at 12:15 pm
Food order RSVP needed the day prior at
[ncrotary.org](#). On the 1st and 3rd Thurs,
meeting is 5:30 pm at [Round Table Pizza](#)

[49er Rotary Breakfast Club](#) meets @ the
[Miners Foundry](#) on Wed at 7 - 8 am



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Hurricane Helene made landfall in the Big Bend area of the Florida Gulf Coast as a Category 4 storm late in the evening of September 26, 2024. Helene's largest impacts were across the southern Appalachians where widespread severe and unprecedented flooding occurred with hundreds of fatalities and billions in property damage. Strong wind gusts damaged property and blew trees and power lines down in a swath from the Gulf Coast to the North Carolina mountains.

Hurricane Helene has caused widespread devastation in Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas, leaving countless families in need of urgent assistance. Rotary Zones 33/34 are responding swiftly, and your support is crucial in helping the hardest-hit areas.

Please use the donation link below to contribute to recovery efforts.

Here is the donation link: [Zone 33-34 Foundation](#)

Rotary Zones 33/34 Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization (EIN 81-3880345.)
Donations may be tax deductible for U.S. residents, in accordance with IRS regulations.

Rotary Zones 33-34 is the southeast coastal areas of the US. The next Zones to the west is 30/31.
Rotary Zones 30/31 are still promoting the non-profit foundation of Zones 33/34 to support
Hurricane Helene Relief.

There is also:

[The American Red Cross: Donate to Disaster Relief](#)

[Samaritan's Purse: U.S. Disaster Relief](#)

[Team Rubicon](#)

(D5190 directly supported Team Rubicon in the Grizzly Flat area for Caldor Fire recovery operations)



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Plastic Recycling Project

Commercial Plastic Wrap is picked-up at the following locations:

- ◆ Nevada County Food Bank
- ◆ AJA Electronics
- ◆ Hills Flat Lumber

The plastic is then recycled and made into [TREX Benches](#)

Next bench will be dedicated to Larry Allen at WSMC Glasson!

Please contact [Bob](#) for more info!



Over 3,000 pounds of commercial plastic collected so far this year!

GREAT WORK, KEEP IT UP!



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NEVADA CITY CALIFORNIA

PINTS FOR POLIO

SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

WE ARE PROUD
TO PARTNER WITH
**THE ROTARY CLUB OF
GRASS VALLEY SOUTH**
THIS MONTH TO SUPPORT
"PINTS FOR POLIO".
EVERY SUNDAY IN OCTOBER,
WE WILL DONATE
\$1 FROM EACH PINT OF BEER
SOLD TO SUPPORT THE
GLOBAL FIGHT TO END POLIO.





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TRICK OR TRI TIP

DRIVE THRU BBQ
SANTA MARIA STYLE

Saturday, October 26, 2024
Lyman Gilmore Middle School
4:00pm to 6:00pm

\$25 Per Meal
\$89 Family Meal (serves 4, includes brownies)
Tri-Tip, Garlic Bread, Beans, Salsa, Salad
Tickets at www.gvrotary.org

Event proceeds benefit local schools, youth
programs and projects of Grass Valley Rotary

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Deadline for Meal Purchase is October 23rd.

Register [HERE](#)

Click on the image to the right to check out our
YouTube video with additional information.!





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FAMILY FUN!

NEVADA CITY

HALLOWEEN
SPOOKTACULAR
AND
SPOOKY BOOOKY
BOOK GIVEAWAY!

FREE!



October 31, 2024 • 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Government Center, 950 Maidu Ave. & Madelyn Helling Library













Halloween lovers of all ages are invited to park at the Nevada County Government Center, trick-or-treat throughout the County building departments, head up to the Madelyn Helling Library for the book giveaway, and then take the free shuttle downtown to City Hall.



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- Everyone invited
- Coffee and pastries
- Lunch included.

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**DISTRICT GOVERNOR DENNIS
INVITES YOU TO:
ROTARY CLUBS IN ACTION**

Session's Offered

- Membership
- Engagement
- Leadership
- Youth - RYE, REGL, RYLA

8am to 3:30pm
Sat. November 9, 2024

**THE MAGIC
OF ROTARY**



Truckee Meadows
Community College
7000 Dandini Blvd.
Reno, NV

Register [HERE](#)



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Rotarians Unite!

ROTARY PEACE CONFERENCE

Unite for a Better World

January 24-26, 2025

Sonoma Wine Country - Rohnert Park

Learn more: Peace25.org

Key Speakers

Vicki Puliz
Rotary International
Director 2021-2023



Jennifer Jones
Rotary International
President 2022-2023



Heidi Kühn
2024 Nobel Peace
Prize Nominee
"Roots of Peace"



Michael Collins
Institute for
Economics
and Peace



Mitty Chang
CEO / President
Candeavor



Hollis Belger
Award Winning
Philanthropist



Kimberly Weichel
Rotary Peace Scholar
Author, Educator



**Francesco
Lecce-Chong**
Santa Rosa
Symphony
"Music as Diplomacy"





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CASINO NIGHT AT THE
Copacabana

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025
6:30PM

Nevada County Fairgrounds
Grass Valley, California
Live music featuring
Kris & Dominic Stepanian

Silent Auction~ Door Prizes ~ Craps ~Blackjack ~ Texas hold 'em
Photo Booth ~Prize Wheels ~ Wine & Whiskey Pull

\$15 per ticket
no host bar, food
21+ and over

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SAVE THE DATE

Healing in a Divided World
PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCE

Istanbul, Turkey • 20-22 February 2025

Learn more at [Rotary.org/istanbul25](https://rotary.org/istanbul25)

Click [HERE](#) for more info



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June 7th

Ride the beautiful and historic back country of Nevada County.

Nevada County was the heart of California's gold rush. Surrounding the charming mining era towns of Grass Valley and Nevada City, you'll ride through some of the most beautiful landscape California has to offer.

Rides will be fully supported and well-marked

Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds





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2025 International Convention





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