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Club of Grass Valley

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Spoke Notes were recorded by: Marcia Salter

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Jen Singer, Executive Director of Bright Futures for Youth (BFFY)

was our guest speaker today. BFFY is a community-focused nonprofit organization committed to addressing the ever-changing needs of youth, from sixth-graders to those in their mid-20s in Nevada County. The three program areas are SAFE, NEO and Friendship Club combined to be BFFY 4 years ago. To meet the growth of the organization, BFFY was



able to upgrade to a larger facility a year ago. The organization follows Positive Youth Development practices. Funding for the organization comes from both private and public partnerships.

Jen reported some startling facts for our Nevada County youth. 1 out of 5 live under the poverty level, 1 out of 7 are experiencing food insecurity, and 1 out of 20 are experiencing homelessness. The organization is working hard to help our youth and the need has grown. They went to 75 girls in the Friendship Club to 500+ youth. They are able to provide these children with tutors, counselors and mentors. They have paid internships for kitchen crew who become certified for food handling. They are feeding kids and have served 13,000 meals. They expect that need to increase to 25,000 meals.

There are multiple ways that we can help support BFFY. You can:

Attend the Community Open House to learn more: Tuesday, Oct. 22, 4:30-6:30 p.m. 200 Litton Drive, Grass Valley

Your dollars can make a difference and change a life. Donate Now!

Volunteers keep us going, from cooking meals to mentoring vouth. Volunteer Now!

The Cinderella Project offers free prom attire, dresses and gowns for youth. Give a Gown

Lyman Gilmore Studants also are planning to walk to school from a nearby Park&Ride on a specified date for Ruby Bridges and her foundation.

Click the image to go to the website



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Your true character Is most accurately measured by how you treat those who can do 'Nothing' for you." — Mother Teresa

UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Visioning Session - Hospice Conf Rm @ 4:30-9 (RSVP) October 10

Club Meeting - DARK October 14 Domestic Stepanian @ Nevada County Horseman October 19 Paws and a Cause October 20 **Club Meeting - District Governor Geare Visit** October 21 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 November 29 - December 1 **Country Christmas Faire Casino Night** February 1 **Rotary Presidential Peace Conference** February 20-22 **Club Centennial Celebration** March 28 Gold Country Challenge June 7 June 21-25 Rotary International Convention

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

| <u>Birthdays</u> | | 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

THANK YOU the crew that manned Aid Station 5 during the <u>Heart of Gold Gravel Bike Race!</u>



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

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

Area 4 Rotary Clubs

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 2,700 pounds of commercial plastic collected so far this year!

GREAT WORK, KEEP IT UP!







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NEVADA COUNTY HORSEMEN PRESENTS:



Rotary will be selling treats for the fight against Polio!



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF AWESOME MUSIC, INCLUDING SOME NEW SONGS FROM THIS LOCAL MOTHER AND SON DUO!



DOMINIC STEPANIAN | KRIS STEPANIAN

19 OCT 2024

7:00 PM

LOCATION: TRAILS END CLUBHOUSE 10600 BUBBLING WELLS RD, GRASS VALLEY COVER \$10 PER PERSON

NO HOST BAR







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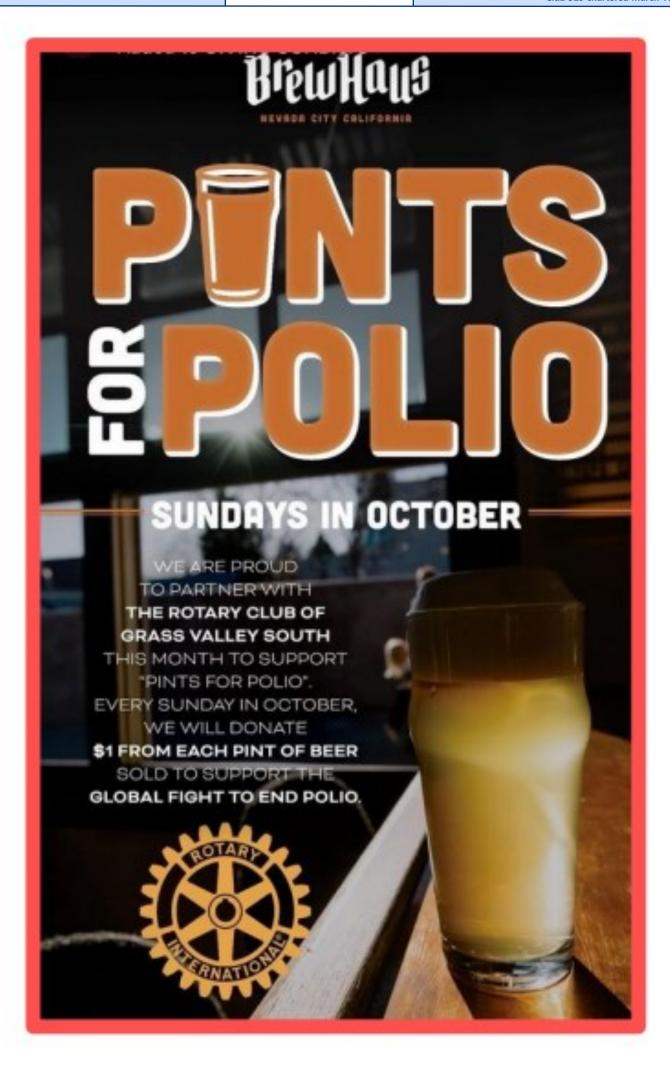








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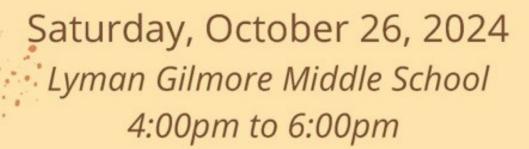


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TRICK OR TRI TIP

DRIVE THRU BBQ **
SANTA MARIA STYLE



\$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 <u>HERE</u>

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

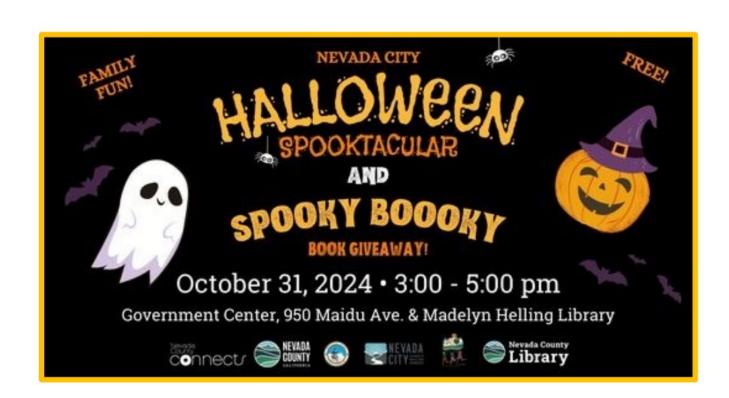








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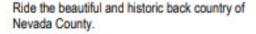




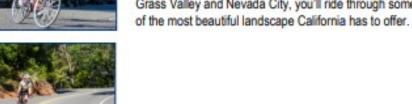


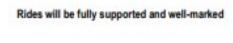






Nevada County was the heart of California's gold rush. Surrounding the charming mining era towns of Grass Valley and Nevada City, you'll ride through some of the most heautiful landscape California has to offer





Rides will begin at Gate 1 of the Nevada County Fairgrounds

























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2025 International Convention



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