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## **September 12, 2016**

Our newest member Jeff Pettitt greeted members and guests to Monday's meeting. Ken Holbrook set up the room before sitting down to his regular cribbage



game with John Peplowski. President Eric opened the meeting with **Dick Panzica** leading the club in the pledge, while **Steve Spiller** provided the thought for the day. While we did not have any visiting Rotarians, the room filled

up with all of our returning members from their river cruise on the Main and Rhine rivers in

Europe. Scott Browne gave the club an update on the trip. Susan and Rod Fivelstad were on the river cruise too as part of their grand tour

that included a Rotary meeting in Norway. President Eric again pleaded for someone to steal the bell to no avail.

Jon Byerrum will be riding in the Rotary Club of

Sacramento's 100 mile bicycle ride on October 1st and ask for pledges. There will be more than 1,000 riders in this event and Jon will be gathering information for our upcoming Gold Country Challenge bicycle ride.



**Bob Long** conducted a club assembly on the subject of our club's fund raising. Reminding members that while Rotary surveys routinely confirm that we join for fellowship and service, to provide services to our community we must raise funds.

The Rotary Club of Grass Valley's Budget for what we give and spend on community service:

Scholarships \$6,000 **Youth Services** \$10,000 \$5,000 Donation Comm. President's Proj. \$5,000 \$3,000 Miscellaneous **Total** \$29,000

To raise the necessary funds we need to improve the net revenues from our two fund raisers - Casino Night

### Speakers:

Sept 19 George Rebane - artificial intelligence

## **Dates to Remember:**

Sept 19 Oct 10

National "Talk like a Pirate Day" **Columbus Day - Dark** 



and the Gold Country Challenge. Net revenue from Casino Night has declined over the past few years to \$17,250. Previously, it consistently netted over \$20K. The Gold Country Challenge is still young with our 4th ride on Saturday May 20, 2017. Bob has set some aggressive goals for the bike ride. We also need to improve number and quality of the silent auction items for Casino Night – that is where we make our highest return. The ticket price is raised this year from \$20 to \$25. Each of us will have six tickets to sell + gather \$100 in value of silent auction items. At Brandon's request, we will have a training session with our best selling members imparting their tricks of the trade when it comes to soliciting donations.



Scott Spencer picks a white marble





**Bob Richardson** received his Blue Badge

#### September Birthdays

Tom Stanley **Steve Sarantopoulos** Nancy Palmer Jon Byerrum **Steve Sauer** Jerry Trammell Carol Lenhard Tom Lathrop

#### September Anniversaries

John and Suzanne Voter Dennis and Linda Burbridge Ken Holbrook & Cheryl Relstab Kim Zwick and Andy Bernadett

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#### **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.

#### <u>Tuesday</u>

7:00 a.m. Grass Valley South,

Union Square Bldg— 6pm social last Tues of month

12.00 Auburn, <u>Auburn Elks Lodge</u> 12:15 Penn Valley, Players Pizza 5:00 Auburn Sunset, Sierra Grill

E-makeup: www.rotaryeclubone.org

#### Wednesday

7:00 a.m. 49er Breakfast Club. **Lodge at Escaton** 

#### **Thursday**

12:15 **Auburn Gold Country** 

The Ridge Golf Course 12:00 Nevada City, National Hotel

Except 1st & 3rd Thurs @ 5:30pm