



The Year in Review

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



“Service Above Self”

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I. President's Review



Bob Long
President 2015-2016

Dear Rotarians and Friends of our Club,

Last night Eric Trygg suggested that I be the program on Monday and spend 30 minutes thanking the club for this great year. I said no, why should I only captivate 40 members when I can write a letter and bore you all? I need to ask you to help me keep a secret. I am sure other club presidents have asked the same favor. *BEING PRESIDENT IS FUN!!!*

We started the year by protecting 50 of our youngest residents from horrible childhood illnesses and made it fun.

We had more Rotarians there than we needed – as usual. Later in the year we honored our Veterans. Who knew that Dick Panzica looked so good in orange? At Christmas we were at our best. We provided scores of children with gifts, rang the bell for the Salvation Army, and surprised two families with a complete Christmas right down to the stuffing. We even found time during the first half of

my term to feed the homeless at Hospitality House. Wow can they eat, especially when Judy had not learned portion control. We taught the Steves how to hang drywall when we helped to build a bathroom for a handicapped resident. AND we fed the volunteers at California CareForce for two days.

The second half of the year found us even more busy. We had two speech contests, a music contest, completed a district grant, published the first Professional Directory, helped to clean Heritage Oaks, weed whacked the Memory Garden, and Don's Donating Demons spent the last of our Community Service dollars. Let us not forget we also pulled off two very successful fund raising events.

May 14th dawned for Tim McCall and me at 4:30 am. This was the best day a Rotary President could have. If I could write a definition of "Service Above Self", May 14th would describe it. *Our club demonstrated it.* We pulled off the Third Annual Gold Country Challenge with flying colors. No one was injured, everyone had fun, we made money, and the majority of the club and their spouses participated. Then that night Eric and I (and others) attended the District Conference Dinner. We walked away with two Projects of the Year Awards, two first place recognitions for your generosity with the Foundation, and four District Citations.

But perhaps most importantly, that night our Club demonstrated that we not only know how to take care of our community; we also know how to be among the best of Rotarians. We were awarded the Silver Presidential Citation. We completed each of the goals which define a successful CLUB.

Some folks might say I had a successful year. But that is not true. Our club had a Great, even superlative year. No one person does all that we accomplished this year. An active board, attentive club officers, a dedicated team who presents our weekly meetings, AND most importantly YOU ALL is what made this club so successful this year.

My humble thanks to you all for making this a great, memorable, and most importantly fun year

Your almost past president, Bob Long

Bob

Bob Long
President, 2015-2016
Rotary Club of Grass Valley

II. District Conference Results/Activities

A. District Conference – May 12-15, 2016

Atlantis Casino Reno, Nevada

- Two Project Awards
- Two First Place Recognition Awards for Support of Foundation
- Four District Citations



B. Rotary International Convention -

May 28, 2016

Seoul, S. Korea

- Wyn and Steve Spiller were among the 44,607 attendees and they provided a presentation to the club on return

C. District Governor Visit - August 10, 2015



Gail Ellingwood

III. Club Organization

Club Leadership

<i>President</i>	Bob Long	<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>	Ken Holbrook
<i>President-Elect</i>	Eric Trygg	<i>Photography</i>	Fred Claessens
<i>Vice President</i>	P. Scott Browne	<i>Spoke Editor</i>	Kathy Egenes
<i>Secretary</i>	Tim McCall		
<i>Treasurer</i>	Marcia Salter		

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Anita Daniels
Carol Lenhard
Dick Panzica
David Peeler

John Peplowski
Steve Spiller
Judy Bagley
Steve Spiller

Members in Leadership Positions

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Foundation Donor Recognition

Paul Harris Fellow (\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Rod Fivelstad +8
Steven T. Spiller + 8
Susan Fivelstad + 7
Monty East +4
Roberta Swanson +2
Richard Toothman +2
Jerry Trammell +2
Kyle Daugherty + 2

Robert Lenhard + 2
Carol Lenhard + 2
Scott Robertson + 2
Larry Faller + 1
Ed Sylvester + 1
Kathleen Shaffer +1
Terry Ferguson
Eric Trygg

Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Rod Fivelstad

Wyn Spiller

Susan Fivelstad

Steve Spiller

Foundation Banner Report

								1 July Members	63
All Active Rotarians	59	TRF Giving Rotarians:	57	EREY Rotarians:	57	Sustaining Member Rotarians:	57	PHS Eligible Rotarians:	4
Existing Active Rotarians	57	Percent TRF Giving:	100.0%	Percent EREY:	100.0%	Percent Sustaining Members:	100.0%	Percent PHS Eligible:	7.0%
								Annual Fund Per Capita	\$260.60
								Average TRF Giving	\$284.79

IV. In Memory

No Grass Valley Rotary Member Passed Away

V. Avenues of Service

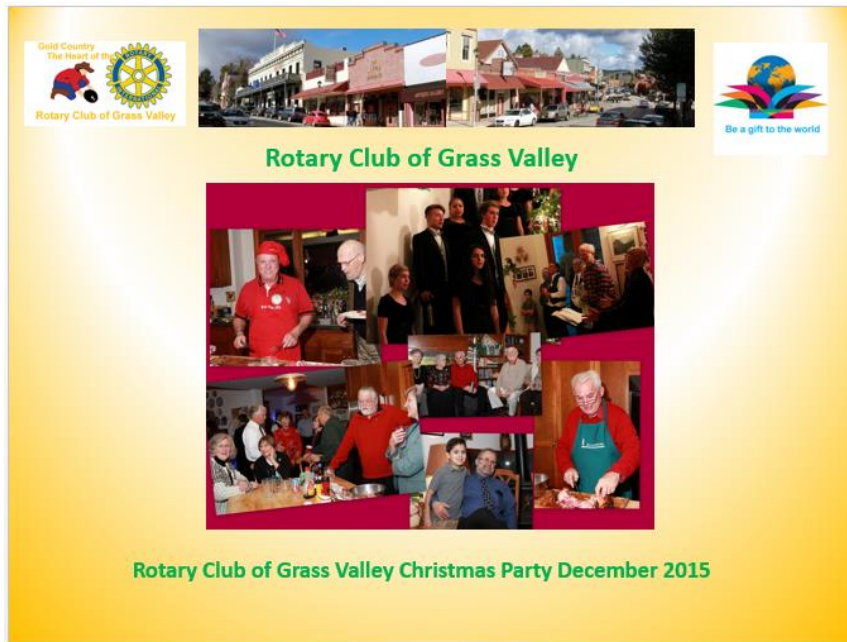
A. New Members

- Seth Leishman

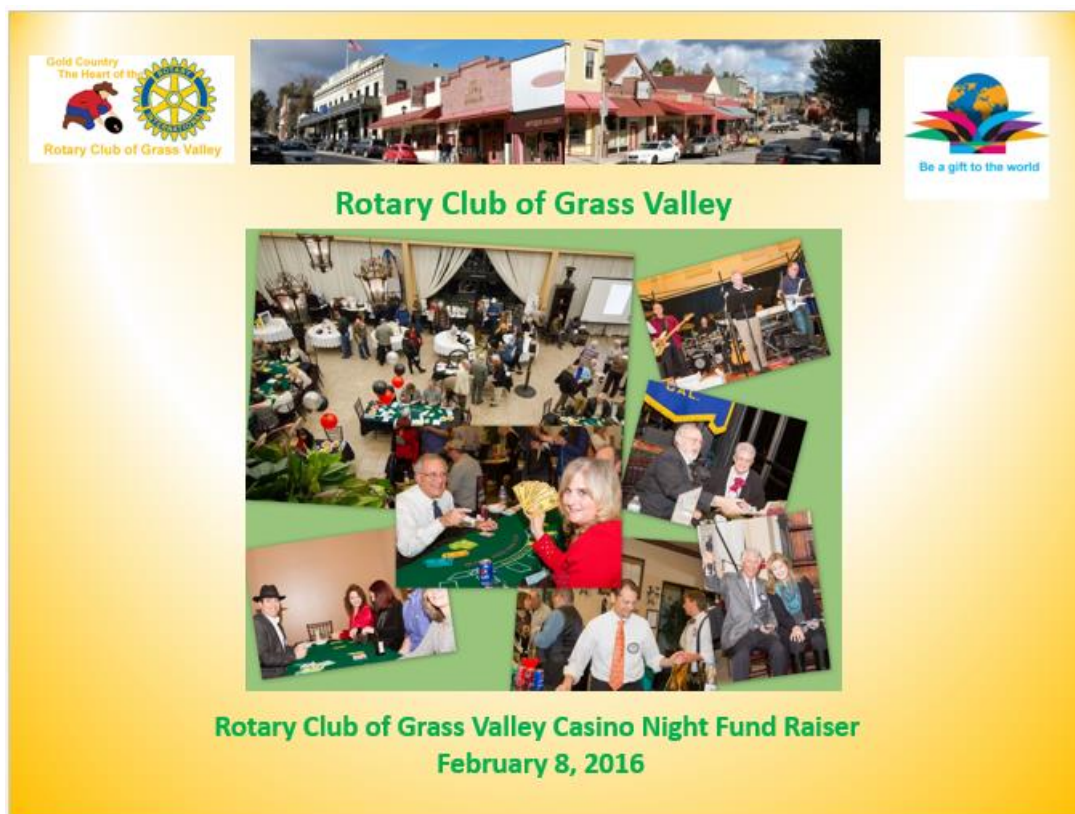
B. Club Service

- Foundation Dinner – November 19, 2015

- Christmas Party – December 12, 2015



- Casino Night- February 8, 2016



- Gold Country Challenge- May 14, 2016

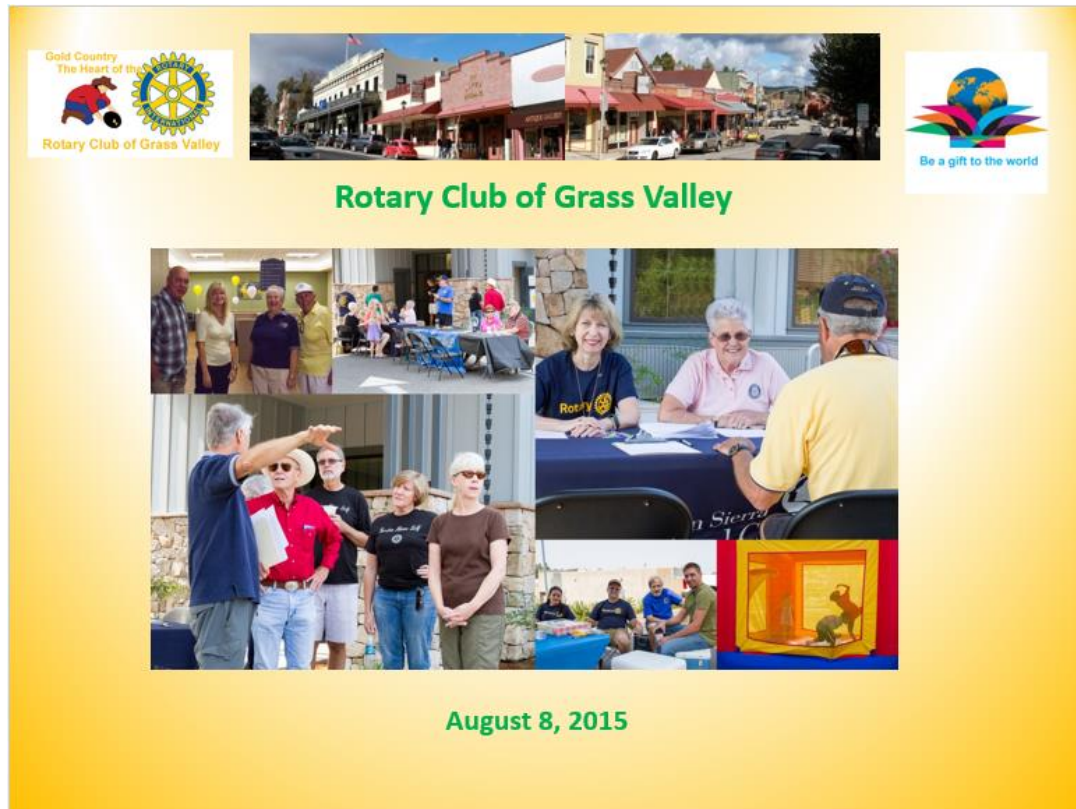


C. Community Service




- Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army




- Clean up of Memory Garden
- Adopted two families at Christmas
- Western Sierra Gala
- Vaccine Day at Western Sierra Medical Clinic



- Destruction Derby






Rotary Club of Grass Valley




**Rotary Clubs Destruction Derby
August 20, 2015**

- Rotary at Work Day






Rotary Club of Grass Valley





**Rotary Club of Grass Valley at Work at Habitat for Humanity
April 16, 2016**

- Hospitality House Cooking



Rotary Club of Grass Valley



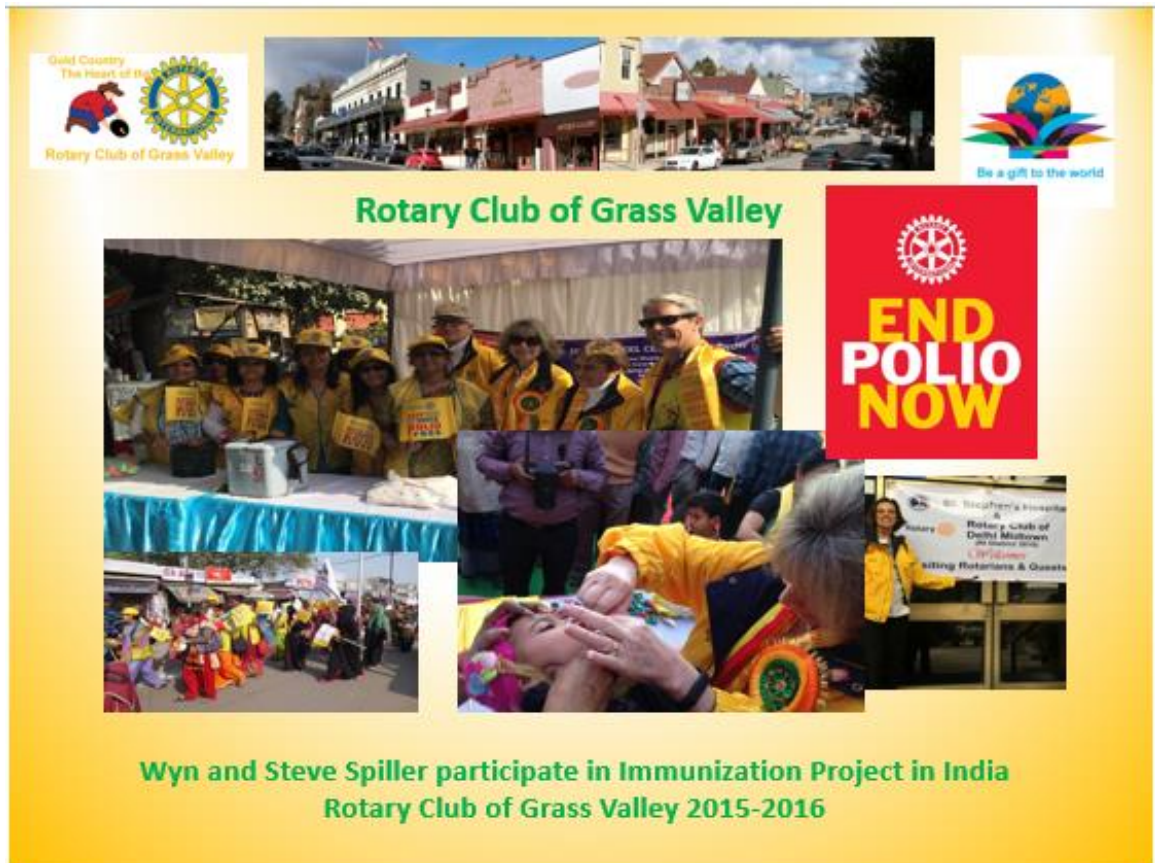
**Rotary Club of Grass Valley 2015-2016
Hospitality House Cooking Crew**

D. Vocational Service

- Halloween Book Give Away

E. International Service

- Immunization Day – India



- Annual Foundation Drive
- PolioPlus – Boot Collection
- Kellerman Containers

F. Youth Service

- Student of the Month
- High School Speech and Music Contests
- Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE)
- Nevada County Schools Speech Contest



Rotary Club of Grass Valley



Music Contest

Speech
Contest



Students of
the Month



Rotary Club of Grass Valley supporting local schools and students
2015-2016



Rotary Club of Grass Valley



High School Music Finalists

NC Schools Speech Finalists



Rotary Club of Grass Valley 2015-2016

- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

- Rotary Eighth Leadership (REGLE)
- Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE)
- High School Scholarships

VI. Community Grants and Donations

A. Grants

- Grant for “Computers for Girls Who Code”

B. Donations

- Nevada Union High School Theatrical Department for ballet equipment
- NU Junior Miners
- Nevada Union and Bear River High Schools Grad Nights
- Nevada County Horsemen’s Easter Egg Hunt
- First 5 Nevada County
- NUHS Vals and Sals
- Lyman Gilmore Middle School’s
- Science Camp
- Hospice of the Foothills
- Nevada County 4-H Washington trip

VII. Program Speakers and Presentations

- Jim Hemig: Publisher of Union Newspaper
- Lt. Alex Gammelgard: New GV Police Chief
- Joanna Robinson: Hospitality House, Homelessness in Western Nevada County
- REGLE Students
- Hospital Foundation: Alzheimer's project
- Tina Vernon: County Tax Collector
- Wyn and Steve Spiller: Photos from India
- Lyman Gilmore Band
- Jenn Singer: The Friendship Club
- Jasmine: Rotary Youth Exchange RYE student
- Captain Jeff Pettit, NC Sheriff: Training at FBI headquarters
- Steve Rosenthal: Running a commercial kitchen
- Stephanie Ortiz: Executive Dean, Sierra College, NC County Campus
- Danielle Yantis: Registered Dietitian, Diabetes
- Ken Holbrook: Building the freeway through town
- Pete Nowlen: Music in the Mountains—
- Students of the Month

- Club Speech Contest
- Rob Riley, Manager Sierra Nevada Ambulance: 911
- Adam Weiss: The Drought



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I. President's Review



Eric Trygg
President 2016-2017

Dear Rotarians,

2016-2017 was a great year for the Rotary Club of Grass Valley. We pulled off two major fund raisers this year, our 27th annual Casino Night in February and the 4th annual Gold Country Bike Challenge held May 20.

Our presence was felt out in the community as we rang the bell for the Salvation Army kettle drive and adopted a family to provide presents at Christmas. Union Hill School received new paint and lots of TLC in their garden area on October 8.

The Halloween Book Giveaway is always a big hit with kids and adults alike as we dress up in costume for the GV downtown Trick or Treat event and hand out books to the preschoolers.

Rotary at Work Day found us cleaning and repainting the NEO youth booth at the fairgrounds. One of the most challenging projects we undertook was assisting the Salvation Army in feeding 800 evacuees from the Oroville area when there was a danger of the dam breaking.

The young population of Nevada County is very important to us. This year we continued the tradition of honoring students from Lyman Gilmore Middle School at a monthly luncheon. We hosted an inbound exchange student from Denmark who apparently thought that because he was coming to California he didn't need a winter coat. Of course, GV Rotarians took good care of him in style. There was the ever popular high school music contest, speech contest and also a county wide middle school speech contest. Three high school juniors were sent to RYLA leadership camp and twelve eighth graders went to REGLE. These kids are amazing!

The Rotary Club of Grass Valley updated its club brochure, the Past President's Advisory committee met to offer sage advice to our president, our three little libraries were always stocked with free books for the community, and the club gave \$6,000 in high school scholarships and \$10,000 to youth service projects.

Ten new Rotarians were inducted into the club this year. Sadly, we lost one Rotarian on June 27 when our friend Steve Sauer passed away.

We worked hard and we played hard. On August 19, many of us attended a River Cats ball game in Sacramento. October 3 found us gathered in fellowship at a pizza party in the home of Lee and Joanne Osnas. One of November's highlights was a fun evening social at Club 151 and after pledging funds to the Rotary Foundation at our annual Foundation drive, we celebrated with a grand dinner with all of the other Area 4 Rotary clubs.

A large group cleared out of town in August and headed to Europe on a river cruise for a few weeks. They missed Rotary so much, they held a meeting on board the ship. That's dedication!

The Polio Plus contributions grew every week as members filled the blue cups placed on their lunch tables at the Holbrooke Hotel. We passed the hat for our wait staff at Christmas to help brighten their holiday.

Globally, we participated in a grant to help fund the nursing school at the Uganda hospital set up by Dr. Scott Kellerman.

It's easy to see why the Rotary Club of Grass Valley won so many "Best of" awards at the District Conference for 2016-2017. We live the Rotary "Service above Self" motto.

Sincerely,



Eric Trygg

President 2016 - 2017

II. District Conference Results

A. District Conference – May 12-15, 2017

Atlantis Casino Reno, Nevada

- Awards
Best Membership Growth, Membership Service,
Best Club Bulletin, Best Club Website, Vocational
Service, and Multi Club Service Project.
- Eight Certificates

B. Rotary International Convention

June 10-14, 2017

Atlanta, Georgia

The meeting was well attended

C. District Governor Visit -August 8, 2016



John Sullivan

III. Club Organization

Club Leadership

<i>President</i>	Eric Trygg	<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>	Ken Holbrook
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Brandon Davis	John Peplowski
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Members in Leadership Positions

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Susan Fivelstad +8
Dennis Burbridge + 3
Anita Daniels +3
Don Daniels +3
Ken Holbrook +3
Scott Spencer +2
Kris Stepanian +2

John Voter +2
Kim Zwick +2
Eric Fredrickson +1
Tom Stanley +1
Sandra Barrington
Brandon Davis

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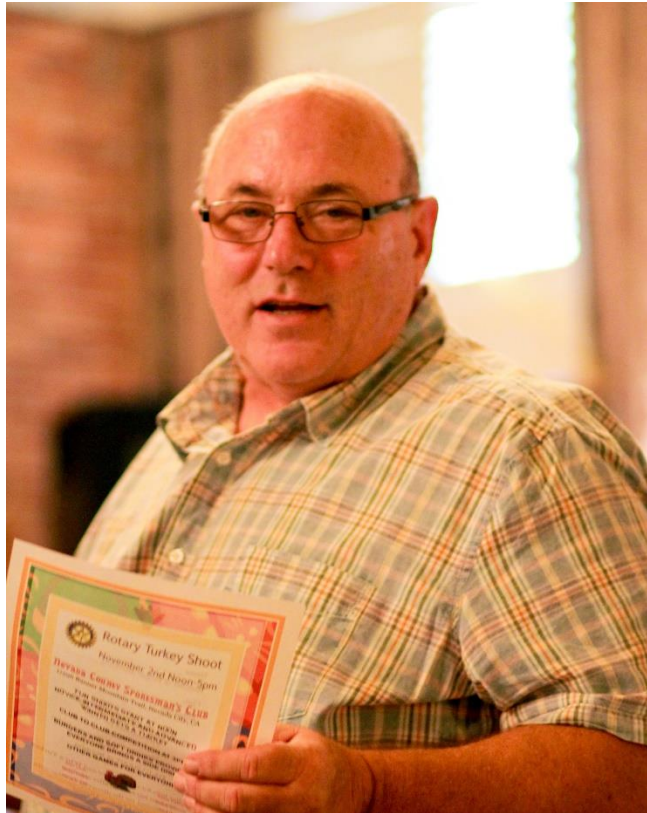
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Steve Spiller

Susan Fivelstad
Wyn Spiller

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									1 July Members	59	
All Active Rotarians	64	TRF Giving Rotarians:	50	EREY Rotarians:	50	Sustaining Member Rotarians:	49	PHS Eligible Rotarians:	4	Annual Fund Per Capita:	\$212.76
Existing Active Rotarians	55	Percent TRF Giving:	90.9%	Percent EREY:	90.9%	Percent Sustaining Members:	89.1%	Percent PHS Eligible:	7.3%	Average TRF Giving:	\$272.46

IV. In Memory



Steve Sauer

June 27, 2017

V. Avenues of Service

A. New Members

- Erik Aanestad 8- 8-16
- Rick Utermoehlen 11- 7-16
- Ron and Chris Parks 12-12-16
- Roxanne Miller 5-15-17

B. Club Service

- Foundation Dinner – November 16, 2016



Rotary International Foundation Dinner

- Christmas Party – December 12, 2016



- Casino Night – February 4, 2017



2017 Feb 4 Casino Royale

- Gold Country Challenge- May 13, 2017



C. Community Service

- Union Hill School Work Day



- Ring the Bell for Salvation Army
- River Cats Baseball Game



- Habitat for Humanity Work Day

D. Vocational

- Monthly Craft Talks

E. International

- Polio Plus – Boot Collection
- Kellerman Containers
- Rotary International Foundation Drive

F. Youth Services

- High School Speech and Music Contests
- Nevada County Schools Speech Contest
- Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE)

- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
- Rotary Eighth Leadership (REGLE)
- High School Scholarships
 - Student of the Month



VI. Community Grants and Contributions

- Nevada County 4-H Washington trip
- NUHS Vals and Sals
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Nevada Union and Bear River High Schools Grad Nights
- Cub Scout Pack 275
- Domestic Violence
- Nevada County Sportsman
- Nevada County Food Bank
- Grass Valley Schools Arts & Science program

VII. Club Speakers and Presentations

- Dawn Simmons: What it's like to work aboard a Cruise Ship
- Brandon Davis: Solar Energy
- Alex Gammelgard: New Grass Valley Chief of Police
- George Rebane: Artificial intelligence
- Mary Anne Davis: Event Coordinator for The Union
- Dan Miller: District 3 County Supervisor
- Steve Rosenthal: Tess Kitchen - Thanksgiving Prep Tips
- John Hensley: Child actor in the 1950's
- Chris Enss: Women of the West—Ma Barker
- Lynn Woerner: KARE Crisis Nursery
- Steve Solomon: Rotary International
- Bob Long: His journey on the Camino de Santiago
- Alexander Anderson: RYE Student
- Richard Altenbach: Composer
- Nick Fedoroff: Magician
- Peter Franchino: Presented a series of illusions
- Larry Roluf: Former Director of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving



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I. President's Review



Scott Browne
President 2017-2018

Dear Rotarians,

This has been a terrific year for the Rotary Club of Grass Valley, a year of growth and accomplishment. The membership of the club has grown from 59 to 69 members, a majority of which are women. This has brought the club new energy and ideas. We have also addd new types of membership for families and corporations to meet their needs and give them the opportunity to participate in Rotary. This has also been a year of generous giving by club members. Club members donated over \$4,800 to help victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma and fire victims here in Nevada County.

The Club has also made over \$6,500 in community donations thus far this year and made additional in-kind service donations. We also give \$6,000 each year in college scholarships to promising high school graduates. The Club has donated \$3,000 to the effort to eradicate Polio through the Rotary Polio Plus fund. The Club was equally generous with the Rotary Foundation. The Club members donated over \$21,000 during our October Foundation drive. This was capped off by a \$25,000 donation to the Foundation on behalf of Wyn Spiller, our most accomplished Rotarian. With that, our club achieved the highest per capita contribution to the Foundation of any club in the 5190 District—over \$700 per member!

The Club's major fund raiser, our annual Casino Night was a great success. The theme was Mardi Gras and the Casino was filled with colorful masks, feathers and beads. We raised over \$25,000 for use in our Community donations and support. Our Second fund raiser, the Gold Country Bike Challenge is in its fifth year and still growing. The event will be held on May 17, with bikers challenging our difficult terrain in several 54 mile-plus rides, ending up with a barbecue meal at the scenic Nevada County Fairgrounds. Last year we raised over \$6,000 and expect to do even better this year.

Our major service project for the year was to plant trees in public areas where they are needed. This was inspired by our Rotary International President Ian Riseley's call for Rotarians to plant at least one tree for each Rotarian this year. With a \$2,000 matching grant from District 5190, our club donated over \$4,000 worth of trees both larger and small to public areas in Nevada County. We gave trees to the Nevada County Fairgrounds to help them replace some of the many trees that are dying due to the drought and bark beetle. We also planted 100 small trees in the area known as the Big Sinkhole which the City of Grass Valley has been restoring after it collapsed in last year's deluge. We also helped out the City with its new planned mini park that is to act as an entrance way to the downtown which we planted on Rotary at Work day April 28th. We provided trees and a work party to the effort which has greatly improved the look of the City entrance.

Our club has a strong youth services program which we continued and expanded this year. We sent 8 students to REGLE-Rotary Eight Grade Leadership Academy and three high school students to RYLA, the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy.

We have adopted the Lyman Gilmore Middle School as our adopted school, and each month we honor five students as Student of the Month for their grade. We are particularly excited that we are working with the Lyman Gilmore Student Leadership Club to become a combined Leadership and Interact Club to do projects with our Rotary Club. We have contributed to help fund a program for Lyman Gilmore students to participate in Sierra Harvest's program to educate students on organic farming and the joys of fresh vegetables from the garden. We also sponsored a Rotary Youth Exchange student from Brazil, Ruth.

Other Club accomplishments this year include:

- Organized a successful Area Rotary Community Awards Dinner recognizing local businesses and volunteers
- Updated and issued our Area Rotary Business and Professional Directory
- Worked on needed repairs at the Kare Crisis Nursery to assist them in their efforts to provide a safe refuge for children of families in crisis
- Donated Christmas wreathes and placed them on veteran's graves in Grass Valley cemeteries
- Rang Bells for the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal
- Provided Christmas gifts for the children of a needy family through the Salvation Army\Toys for Tots program
- Gave away books to elementary school students at Halloween to encourage them to read
- Participated in an Area Tree giveaway, giving away over 400 trees to further RI President Riseley's call to plant trees
- Continued our multi-year effort to complete a District International Grant to ship medical equipment and supplies to the Bwindi Community Hospital in Uganda

It has been a great year for our club, doing good in our Community and the World. It has been an honor to be your president leading you in that effort.

The logo for Scott Browne, featuring the name "Scott" in a stylized blue font with a small graphic element.

Scott Browne
2017-18 President
Rotary Club of Grass Valley

II. District/Rotary – Results & Activities

A. District Conference – May 18-21, 2018

Atlantis Casino – Reno, Nevada

District 5190 CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARD

Eight District Citations

B. Rotary Convention - June 23-27, 2018

Toronto, Canada

Scott Browne, Rich Toothman, Anita Daniels and Kris Stepanian attended

C. District Governor's Visit - Sept 25, 2017



Doug McDonald

III. Club Organization

A. Club Leadership

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Eric Frederickson	

C. Members in Leadership Positions

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Tim McCall +4	Steve Rosenthal +1
Carol Lenhard +3	Steve Sauer +1
Bob Lenhard +3	

Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Rod Fivelstad

Steve Spiller

Susan Fivelstad

Wyn Spiller

Scott Browne

Major Donor (Cumulative donations reach \$10,000)

Wyn and Steve Spiller – Major Donor Level 3

Benefactor (Endowment Fund is a beneficiary in estate plans or a \$1,000 outright donation to the Endowment Fund)

Rod Fivelstad

Scott Browne

Susan Fivelstad

Bequest Society Give \$10,000 or more via estate plans)

Scott Browne – Bequest Society Level 1

Rod and Susan Fivelstad – Bequest Level 1

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IV. In Memory



Dick Panzica

December 21, 2017

V. Avenues of Service

A. New Members -10

- Joanne Osnas 7-31-17
- Connie Stone 7-31-17
- Douglas Newnan 11-6-17
- Don Rogers 12-18-17

- Christian Eggleton 12-18-17
- Yolande Wilburn 2-12-18
- Larry McGrath 2-12-18
- Joe Green 2-12-18
- Judith O'Toole 3-1-18
- Janet Ryan 6-4-18

B. Club Service

- Foundation Dinner – November 30, 2017



Rotary International Foundation Dinner

- Christmas Party – December 16, 2017



- Casino Night- February 3, 2018



- Gold Country Bike Challenge – May 19, 2018



C. Community Service

- Ring the Bell for Salvation Army
- Adopt two families at Christmas
- Wreaths across America



Tree Planting Projects: Fairgrounds, Neal and South Auburn St. and Wolf Creek (below)



D. Vocational

- Halloween Book Give Away
- Food Love Project Tour

E. International Service

- Annual Foundation Drive
- PolioPlus – Boot Collection

F. Youth Service

- Student of the Month
- High School Speech and Music Contest
- NC County Schools Speech Contest
- Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE)
- Rotary Youth leadership Awards (RYLA)
- Rotary Eighth Leadership (REGLE)
- High School Scholarships

VI. Community Grants and Donations

- Wreaths Across America
- Sierra Harvest for Lyman Gilmore School's participation
- Domestic Violence
- Salvation Army
- Bear River and Nevada Union Grad Nights
- NUHS Vals and Sals
- Lyman Gilmore Pal program
- Nevada County 4H Washington Trip
- The Food Bank, Sierra Harvest
- Hospice of the Foothills
- Women of Worth
- Bear River Journalism for conference
- Acme Robotics

- Lyman Gilmore Middle School for Interact Club

VII. Presentations and Speakers

- Jerry Martin: Suduko
- Howard Levine, GV Mayor: Recent City History
- Peter Van Zant: Centennial Reservoir Project
- Daniel Farine: Returning RYE student
- Greg Bulanti: Past Pres. NC Realtors Assoc.
- Rea Callender: Tree Planting at Fairgrounds
- Karen Harris: Concussions in Youth Sports
- Ed Sylvester: Travels in Venice
- Gage McKinney: History of GV Cornish Choir
- Sonja Conlkin: AirMed Care Network
- Lisa Davies: Chapa-de Medical Clinic
- Acme Robotics Team
- Hank Weston: County Supervisor
- Steve Mestre: The Giving Trail
- Rod and Susan Fivelstad: Rotary Fellowships
- Kaylee Horn, 6th grade, Lyman Gilmore, speech contestant: Technology
- Kevin Edwards: Local Veterans Program
- JoAnn Weber, Woman of Worth
- Lynette Anderson, Oakpark Rotary House

- Ruth Souza: RYE student
- Wade Laughter: Medical Cannabis
- Jon Byerrum, Holly Hermansen: Nepal Travels
- Scott Browne, Anita Daniels: RI Convention in Toronto

The Heart of the
Gold Country



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I. President's Review



Kris Stepanian

2018-2019

Dear Rotarians,

This has been a wonderful year for the Rotary Club of Grass Valley. Club membership held strong at 69. There were 16 new members inducted over the year, increasing both young membership and female membership percentages.

The club contributed in so many ways to the community, both locally and internationally, including:

- Pledged \$500 for Smiles Beyond Borders - Ensenada Project-and sent one Rotarian to the project site
- Supported DG Tina Spencer-Mulhern at The Rose Parade Float
- Pledged \$25,000 to the Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation Emergency Room Renovation Project

- Participated in Wreaths Across America and Member donations of \$500
- Members volunteered for a full day of bell ringing for the Salvation Army
- Members donated \$2,000 to victims of wildfire by passing the hat
- Supported community and non-profits with over \$6,000 in donations
- Provided \$6,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors
- Exceeded the annual Rotary Foundation Giving goal
- Spearheaded the Area 4 Business Directory
- Participated in the Area OSHER Scholarship for Sierra College
- Met Polio Plus goal of \$1,500
- Participated in Area 4 Heritage Garden Project, and contributed \$2,000, plus a matching District Grant for \$2,500
- Completed President's Project at The Northstar Mining Museum and Glenn Jones Park, contributing \$1,700, plus matching District Grant for \$750
- Mardi Gras Casino Night fundraiser raised net profit of \$24,600
- Purchased two teleprompters and provided a news desk for Lyman Gilmore Middle School
- Hosted and supported an inbound RYE student
- \$7,100 in sponsorships to RYLA, REGL, and RYE students
- Provided monthly Student of the Month Awards for outstanding Lyman Gilmore Middle School students
- Supported Interact at Lyman Gilmore Middle School
- Sponsored and participated in the 35th Annual Nevada County Schools Speech Tournament
- Chaired an Area 4 Social dinner and theatre

- Participated in Area/Club Music and Speech contests
- Provided holiday meals to local women and families in need
- Made progress in obtaining significant grant for Uganda container
- Participated in the 2nd Annual Area 4 Rotary Community Awards Event
- Expanded the scope and outreach of annual Gold Country Bike Challenge, including:
 - Added gravel rides
 - Partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters
 - Established a donation avenue – raised \$300 for BBBS and ride in the event free
 - Bicycle raffle to benefit our signature donor -- take a test drive at Auburn Honda and receive a raffle ticket for a Specialized Crossover Bicycle
 - Partnered with the Nevada City Classic to create a Cycling Weekend in Western Nevada County

Even with the above list of this year's club accomplishments, I am sure I am missing some. It was an honor to be the 2018-2019 Club President. I am so proud to be a member of the Rotary Club of Grass Valley, and to share in "service above self" with so many wonderful fellow Rotarians, whom I consider friends. Thanks for making this Rotary year so inspirational!

Kris

Kris Stepanian
 President, 2018-2019
 Rotary Club of Grass Valley

II. District/Rotary – Results & Activities

A. District Conference – May 17-19, 2019

The Four-Way Fest

Peppermill Hotel - Reno, Nevada
(combined meeting with 4 districts)

Club won 6 awards

B. Rotary Convention - June 1-4, 2019

Hamburg, Germany

C. District Governor Visit - July 16, 2018



Tina Spencer-Mulhern

D. Anita Daniels Selected District Governor Nominee for 2020-2021

Past District Governors' Announcement of Selection

December 3, 2018



III. Club Organization

A. Club Leadership

<i>President</i>	Kris Stepanian	<i>Sgt At Arms</i>	Ken Holbrook
<i>President-Elect</i>	Marcia Salter	<i>Photography</i>	Fred Claessens
<i>Vice President</i>	Seth Leishman	<i>Spokes Editor</i>	Kathy Egenes
<i>Secretary</i>	Patrick Ward		
<i>Treasurer</i>	Bob Long		

B. Board of Directors

Judy Bagley
Eric Aanestad
Tom Stanley
Eric Frederickson

P. Scott Browne
Kenneth Holbrook
Jerry Trammell

C. Members in Leadership Positions

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D. Foundation Donor Recognition

Paul Harris Fellow (\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

PHF members and [New level of participation this year](#)

Erik Aanestad
Judy Bagley +2
[Bob Long +6](#)
Tim McCall +4
Carol Lenhard +3
Bob Lenhard +3
[Ken Holbrook +4](#)
JoAnn Osnas +1
Lee Osnas +3
[Patti Ingram-Spencer +2](#)
Marcia Salter +2
Kathleen Shaffer +1
[Scott Spencer +3](#)

Fred Claessens +1
[Monty East +5](#)
Dave Peeler +2
Steve Rosenthal +1
Steve Sauer +1
[Terry Ann Ferguson +1](#)
[Richard Keene +2](#)
[Seth Leishman](#)
[Christine Parks](#)
[Ron Parks](#)
Steve Sarantopoulos +1
Keith Royal
Tom Stanley +1

Eric Trygg
Kim Zwick +2
John Peplowski +2
Jon Byerrum +4
Anita Daniels +3
Sandra Barrington
Connie Stone

Kris Stepanian +2
Jerry Trammel +2
Jon Voter +2
Pat Ward +3
Nancy Palmer
Don Daniels +3
Kathleen Egenes +2

Paul Harris Society (*\$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant*)

Rod Fivelstad
Susan Fivelstad
Scott Browne

Steve Spiller
Wyn Spiller

Major Donor (*Cumulative donations reach \$10,000*)

Wyn and Steve Spiller – Major Donor Level 3

Benefactor (*Endowment Fund is a beneficiary in estate plans or a \$1,000 outright donation to the Endowment Fund*)

Rod Fivelstad
Susan Fivelstad

Scott Browne

Bequest Society (*Give \$10,000 or more via estate plans*)

Scott Browne – Bequest Society Level 1

Rod and Susan Fivelstad – Bequest Level 1

E. Foundation Banner Report

All Active Rotarians	67	TRF Giving Rotarians:	45	EREY Rotarians:	45	Sustaining Member Rotarians:	45	PHS Eligible Rotarians:	5
Existing Active Rotarians	54	Percent TRF Giving:	83.3%	Percent EREY:	83.3%	Percent Sustaining Members:	###	Percent PHS Eligible:	9.3%

IV. In Memory



Rich Toothman

September 22, 2018

V. Avenues of Service

A. New Members

- Western Sierra Medical Clinic
(First Corporate Member)

7- 9- 2018

 - Phil Nowak Primary Corporate Representative
 - Andy Harris Alternate Corporate Representative
 - Cheryl Rubin Designated Corporate Representative
- Cristian & Rebeca Sibaja
(First Family Membership)

8-20-2018

 - Cristian Sibaja Primary Family Representative
 - Rebeca Sibaja Alternate Family Representative
- Jeanne Molineaux

8-20-2018
- Vivian Tipton

8-24-2018
- Heather Thorpe

8-24-2018
- Kimala DeSena

9-17-2018
- Christian and Andrea Eggleton
(Family Membership)

10-11-2018

 - Christian Eggleton Primary Family Representative
 - Andrea Eggleton Alternate Family Representative
- Pamela Mirkin

11-19-2018
- Tim Kiser

2-25-2019
- Jonathan Walker

2-25-2019

B. Club Service

Foundation Dinner – October 25, 2018



Christmas Party – December 15, 2018



Casino Night - February 2, 2019

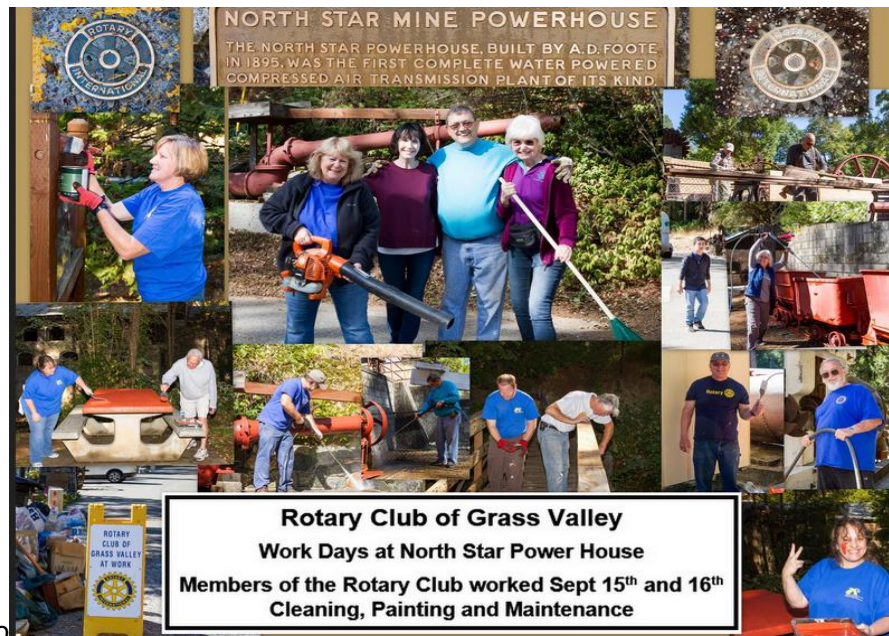


Gold Country Challenge - June 1, 2019



C. Community Service

North Star Powerhouse Mining Museum and Glen Jones Park- Two phases



Women of Worth Thanksgiving dinner provided



Salvation Army- Ring the Bell- December 17, 2018



Area 4 Clubs - Community Projects

North Star House - Heritage Garden Two Phases



December 8, 2018



North Star House Garden

January 12, 2019

Wreathes Across America -December 17, 2018



D. Vocational Service

Halloween Treats and Book Give Away



E. International Service

- Annual Foundation Drive and Dinner
- PolioPlus – Fill the Pan

F. Youth Service

- Students of the Month



- High School Speech and Music Contest

VI. Community Grants and Donations

- Wreaths Across America
- Salvation Army
- OSHER Scholarships for Sierra College
- Victims of Wild Fire
- The Food Bank, Sierra Harvest
- Hospice of the Foothills
- Women of Worth
- Lyman Gilmore Interact and Student of the Month Awards
- NC Schools Speech Tournament
- Area Music and Speech contest
- Smiles Beyond Borders
- Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation ER Renovation Project
- Scholarships for Graduating Seniors
- Scholarships for RYLA, REGL, and RYE students

VI. Presentations and Speakers

Jon Byerrum and Holly Hermanson – Nepal trip



Dr. Barry Turner—Smiles without Borders



Michael Anderson – ClientWorks -
Update on progress on Broadband options in NC



Catharine Bramcamp, Eliza Tudor NC Arts Council – What
the organization is doing to determine the impact of
community arts residence)



Robin Milam, Board member of Bear Yuba Land Trust,
and Erin Tarr, Co-Ex. Director for BYLT



Cheryl Wick Executive Director for Sammie's
Friends- mission of organization



RYLA students Marie-Claire Desplancke (Bear River)
and Parker Rice (NU).

Gordon and Lindy Beatie – Area 4 Rotary Youth Services



Tish Gill and David Garcia, Waste Management - review
of company operations



Lindy Beatie - Big Brothers/Big Sisters — update on the
activities of the organization



Viv Tipton, Executive Director of Hospice of the Foothills
summary of her career at organization



Rod Fivelstad – Foundation Society- update on the
important work of Foundation



David Kline, former NUHSD, his life, book, challenges and motivations



Kimberly Parker and Sandra Barrington, Sierra Nevada Hospital Foundation, update on recent projects



Larry Faller and Trombone Bones Bunch- jam session



Lyman Gilmore Choir- presentation of songs and acts

Tim Kiser, GV City Manager – goals and objectives for 2019 and beyond



Aimee Retzler, Co-Director, Sierra Harvest-review of actions and programs to grow and eat healthy



Alison Lehman, Nevada County CEO – review of 2019 objectives and update of what is planned



Dr. Barry Turner – update on Smiles without Borders

Nancy Baglietto, Hospitality House – facts, figures,
activities and successes



Dr. Brian Evans, SNMH CEO- current activities at the
hospital and near- term challenges



RYLA student - Maelle Dubois, Switzerland



Dan Hunt, past President of Project H.E.A.R.T. (Holding Excellence Above Relapse Team) review of program and program principles



Larry Faller – Slide presentation of trip to Dr Scott Kellerman's Bwindi project in Africa



Gordon Mangel – foreperson for Nevada County Grand Jury- functions and workings for jury



Alex Gammelgaard, GVPD - Human Trafficking



Jake Sjolund – Battalion Chief, Cal Fire Air Attack Base GV – facts and figures of Cal Fire's role



Lexie Alford - Youngest person (21) to visit every country
(196) – review of her journey



Dan Bibelheimer - Clinica Filadelfia in Tijuana



Bob Long - Fire Safe Council - fire safety prep



Ryder Evans, Tahoe area Rotarian- Shelter Boxes
and Rotary involvement





The Year in Review

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020



"Service Above Self"

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I. President's Review



Dear Rotarians,

This has been a year to remember for the Rotary Club of Grass Valley and the Area 4 of District 5190. For the first time in Area 4 history, all five clubs, and the AG, were lead by women. With the good came the not-so-good. Our club membership endured several significant losses with the passing of our dear friends and long-time Rotarians, Chuck Elizondo, past president and past DG, our dear Tom Lathrop, past Executive Secretary, and past president Steve Sarantopolous. Rest in Peace!

The year started with several goals to strengthen and retain our membership. We restructured the dues, loosened the

attendance requirements to move away from the punitive method hoping to encourage member participation in Rotary as their schedule, lives, and commitments allow. The member numbers did stay solid though no net gain overall.

The District Governor's call to promote and support World Polio Day was met with much to do in Area 4. Our Club lead a program with the Board of Supervisors with a presentation by the County Health Officer Dr. Ken Cutler and myself highlighting the work Rotary has done to eradicate Polio and promote vaccinations to prevent the disease. We had all five club presidents join in on our local radio station KNCO, to promote our events and share the work of Rotary. And despite power outages (aka PSPS), we held Area World Polio Day events. Ours was at the 1849 Brewery to raise awareness, provide education, and raise funds for the cause.

Our Club members joined in on the October RAKE – Random Acts of Kindness event to help beautify our community.

Members painted tables, parking stances, a bathroom, pulled blackberry bushes, and collected trash at Condon Park on a Saturday in October. This one-day event supported the ANEW Day program, and our Club was also one of the event sponsors.

Members joined to support the California Care Force event, a free two-day dental, vision, and medical health clinic in January 2020, by providing and serving lunch to the many working volunteers. United Way sponsored the event with many other local organizations and medical professionals making it a very successful weekend-long event.

Our Club continued its strong youth services program by again sending ten students to REGLE-Rotary Eight Grade Leadership

Academy in the Fall. I joined in for the weekend-long program at Camp Grizzly for the "full" experience. What a wonderful time for those students and myself included. We have the Lyman Gilmore Middle School as our adopted school, and each month we honor five students as Student of the Month for their grade. We support their Interact Leadership Club and involve them in Rotary activities when possible.

The Club has made over \$6,500 in community donations thus far in 2020 and made additional in-kind service donations. We also gave \$5,000 in college scholarships to promising high school graduates. The Club has donated over \$2,200 to the effort to eradicate Polio through Club fundraising and direct donations by members to the Rotary Polio Plus fund exceeding our \$1,500 goal. The Club was equally generous with the Rotary Foundation. The Club members donated over \$18,000 to the Rotary International Foundation with a very successful drive and increased members participating in Rotary Direct. Members stepped up to shatter our goal of \$14,000. As of May, our Club achieved a per capita giving of \$261 per member, the highest in the Area, and topped the district average of \$161.

The Club's major fundraiser, our annual Casino Night, was a great success. The theme was Roaring 20's and promoted as Rotary – A Night at the Speakeasy. The evening was well attended by many flappers and gents. We raised over \$24,000 for use in our Community donations and support. As we began March, an unimaginable crisis was brewing that quickly spread to all corners of the globe. It was a worldwide pandemic with a coronavirus known as COVID-19.

It brought our lives and our Club to a stand-still. After the initial shock and coming to terms with how this massive event was affecting every portion of our daily lives, the Club began coming back out in a virtual meeting world on Zoom.

Our second fundraiser, the Gold Country Bike Challenge was first postponed, then canceled. Soon more cancellations followed, beginning with the music contest, then the RYLA program, for whom we had chosen three high school students to attend, followed eventually by REGL. One by one, all Rotary in-person events were canceled and either replaced with a virtual version or altogether canceled. The RI Conference went "virtual" in a first time ever production and was fairly successful in bringing Rotarians together from around the world. We adapted to a new way of meeting and maintaining our desire to serve our communities.

We applied for and were successful in receiving a matching grant for COVID-related support. We helped to fund the purchase of a much-needed power pallet jack for the Food Bank of Nevada County. They had seen a massive leap in demand in their food distribution activities to meet the community's needs. They were thrilled with this equipment addition which allowed them to move pallets full of food products around the warehouse and load their trucks headed out to their distribution sites.

Other Club accomplishments this year include:

- Rang bells for the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal
- Updated and issued our Area Rotary Business and Professional Directory
- Donated Christmas wreaths and placed them on veteran's graves in Grass Valley cemeteries

- Halloween books give away to pre-school children to encourage them to read
- Continued our multi-year effort to complete a District International Grant to ship medical equipment and supplies to the Bwindi Community Hospital in Uganda
- Provided flip flops for the Soles for Souls project
- Provided canned food for the school's food drive
- Cooked and served a Thanksgiving Dinner for WOW's Hettie's Haven Houseguests

It has been a great year for our Club to do good in our Community and the World. It has been an honor to be your president, leading you in that effort through thick and thin!

II. District Conference and Activities

A. District Governor Visit – August 19, 2019

Randy Van Tassell



"Through Rotary, we connect to the incredible diversity of humanity on a truly unique footing, forging deep and lasting ties in pursuit of a common goal." "In this ever more divided world, Rotary connects us all."

Mark Maloney President Rotary International 2019-2020

B. District Conference Leadership Learning Assembly and RI Convention

canceled due to COVID19, virtual meetings held



2020 LEADERSHIP LEARNING ASSEMBLY

SATURDAY	April 25		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7:45 am		Breakfast							
8:30 am	30	LLA Kickoff	Welcome - CELEBRATE AND CONTINUE THE JOURNEY Berta's Vision and RI President/Theme; Logistics and Timeline						
9:00am	10	Move to Breakout	LEADERSHIP	ADMINISTRATION	MEMBERSHIP	FOUNDATION & INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	PUBLIC AWARENESS	YOUTH SERVICE	SERVICE
9:10 am	50	LLA Session 1	PEs - Perf Planning, Budgeting, Goal Setting	Club Secretaries & Treasurers - How to	Membership - How to Engage and Retain Members	International Service Chairs - How to	Public Image Chairs - How to	Youth Service Chairs - How to	Vocational Service Chairs - How to
10:00 am	15	Break							
10:15 am	50	LLA Session 2	Current President - Year End Wrap Up	Let's talk about Leadership - Open Discussion - Future leaders	Membership - How to Attract New Members	Foundation Chairs - How to	Making Your Club Better Every Day	Panel on Creative Youth Opportunities	Comm Svc Chairs - How to
11:15 am	30	LLA Session 3	PEOPLE OF ACTION ON THE JOURNEY OF ROTARY Interactive exercise to pull together morning learning - PDG Steve Lewis						
11:45 am	15	Break							
12:00 pm	45	LUNCH							
12:45 pm	20	Youth Program	Focus YOUTH: Youth Project Award videos						
1:05 pm	55	Program: Celebrate Youth/Our Future - Parade of Flags and Youth Speakers							



III. Club Organization

Club Leadership

President	<i>Marcia Salter</i>	Sgt At Arms	<i>Ken Holbrook</i>
President-Elect	<i>Seth Leishman</i>	Photography	<i>Fred Claessens</i>
Vice President	<i>Eric Frederickson</i>	Spokes Editor	<i>Kathy Egenes</i>
Secretary	<i>Patrick Ward/Patti-Ingram- Spencer</i>	Treasurer	<i>Bob Long</i>

Board of Directors

Judy Bagley, Don Daniels, Larry Faller, Tom Stanley,
Kathleen Shaffer, Kris Stepanian, Eric Aanestad/Pam
Mirkin

Members In Leadership Positions

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7.

PAUL HARRIS DONATION

Paul Harris Fellow (\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Scott Browne	+6	Bob Long	+7
Joanne Osnas:	+2	Connie Stone	+1
Nancy Palmer:	+2	Lee Osnas:	+4
Anita Daniels	+4	Jon Byerrum:	+5
Carol Lenhard	+4		

Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Rod Fivelstad	Wyn Spiller
Susan Fivelstad	Steve Spiller
P. Scott Browne	Anita Daniels
Connie Stone	

Major Donor (Cumulative donations reach \$10,000)

Benefactor (Endowment Fund is a beneficiary in estate plans or a \$1,000 outright donation to the Endowment Fund)

Foundation Banner Results

100% participation in Foundation Drive

IV. In Memory

Chuck Elizondo - September 23, 2019



Steve Sarantopoulos - January 20, 2020



Tom Lathrop – April 23, 2020



v. Avenues of Service

a. New Members –

Sean Jackson July 8, 2019

Larry Allen July 22, 2019

(transfer from Loyalton)

Cheryl Rellstab August 19, 2019

(transfer from GV south)

Chris Walsh September 15, 2019

Jim Belluomini November 24, 2019

b. Club Service

Foundation Dinner – November 6, 2019



Christmas Party – December 6, 2019



Casino Night February 1, 2020



Gold Country Challenge - Cancelled for
2020 due to Corona Virus

Marcia Salter Demotion- August 17, 2020

Marcia was live at creekside at the Wild Eye Pub
with members joining via Zoom

c. Community Service

RAKE (Random Acts of Kindness Event)-
October 5, 2019



Women of Worth – Thanksgiving Dinner

Salvation Army- Ring the Bell

December 7&14, 2019



Area 4 club community projects

Food Bank – November 12, 2019



Donation of Power Pallet Jack- May 2020



Kids Can Food Drive- November 2019



Wreathes Across America -December 14, 2019

California CareForce Health Clinic- Jan.11-12, 2020

d. Vocation

Halloween Treats and Books Give Away

e. International Service

Annual Foundation Club Drive -October 28

Area Foundation Dinner November 6, 2019

PolioPlus World Polio Day October 24, 2019

Giving Tuesday – December 2, 2019

Philadelphia Health Clinic Project

Uganda Health Clinic Project

f. Youth Service Students of the Month



High School Speech Contest- March 7,10



VI. Community Grants and Donations

- Wreaths Across America
- Salvation Army
- Halloween Book Give away
- ANEW Day
- OSHER Scholarships for Sierra College

- The Food Bank, District Grant
- Ca Care Force Community Health Clinic
- Women of Worth
- Lyman Gilmore Interact and Student of the Month Awards
- NC Schools Speech Tournament
- Area Speech contest
- Nevada County 4H
- Scholarships for Graduating Seniors & REGL
- Awarded 2 District Grants – Lyman Gilmore and Union Hill School Playground

VII. Presentations and Speakers

- Liam Ellerby, Co-founder of the Curious Forge
history of Forge and what it provides



- Irene Perbal, visiting Rotarian – her life living in Amsterdam under Nazi control (1940-45)



- Jon Blinder, Nevada County Arts Director- what the NCA does and its recent results



- Nevada County 4H Fair Presenters-value of 4H



Braden Smith of Meadow Lark, Jayden Yocum of Penn Valley, and Savannah Hansen

- Nicole McNeely, Executive Director -Food Bank of Nevada County-discussion of their mission since 1986



- Salvation Army's Camp del Oro tour & lunch with Christian and Becky Sibaja



- Jack Emery, Rotarian - Hiking the Pacific Coast Trail



- Alex Zetterberg, RYLA student– experiences at camp
- Randall Peeters -Climbing Mt. Everest and other high mountains



- Scott McFarland, CEO Western Sierra Clinics– review recent events at the clinics
- Dave West, NC Veteran's Services Officer – review of the types of benefits available to veterans



- Chris Walsh, Assistant District Attorney for NC – review of functions & activities of the DA's office



- Catherine Busch, Film Maker, Japanese Internment dynamics



- Bob Long, club member -Antarctica trip
- Rod Byers -Wine Expert, judge, and writer



- Judy Kautz -Alzheimer's Outreach Program Coordinator for SNMHF



- Sheriff Shannan Moon - Review of Department Activities/Goals for 2020



- Brian Hamilton, Editor and Julia Stidham, head of marketing, The Union- Who and what the Union Does for Community



- Greg Diaz-clerk-recorder and registrar of voters and Natalie Adona -Asst Clerk-Recorder and registrar



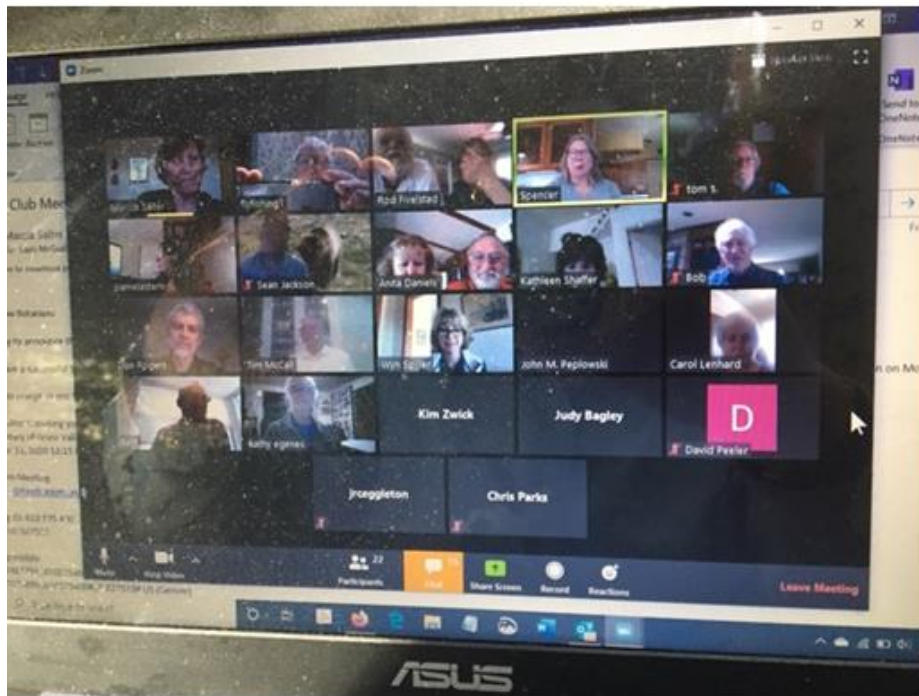
- Howard Levine, long time GV citizen –
History of North Star House



THE LOCKDOWN SESSIONS

From March 16 to June 22, 2020 the
Monday meetings were conducted online
via Zoom

Between 24-38 members joined each
week



We wanted to support local businesses,
so each week, a favorite local restaurant
was highlighted



FEATURED FOOD-TO-GO
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WEEK



<https://www.facebook.com/wildeyepub/>

Zoom presenters

- Don Rogers, Publisher, The Union -state of print media and status of The Union
- Bob Long, Eric Trygg, Rotary Members- Update on the Fire Safety Preparedness Front
- Eric Frederickson, Grass Valley School District Supervisor and Rotary Member- Status on Grass Valley and County schools in the Lockdown era and potential future dynamics in the fall
- Carol Pandak, RI Polio Plus Team Dir.- where RI is with Polio and what RI is doing with COVID 19 response.



- Caleb Dardek, Projects Administrator with the County CEO office - the NC Community Relief Fund efforts.

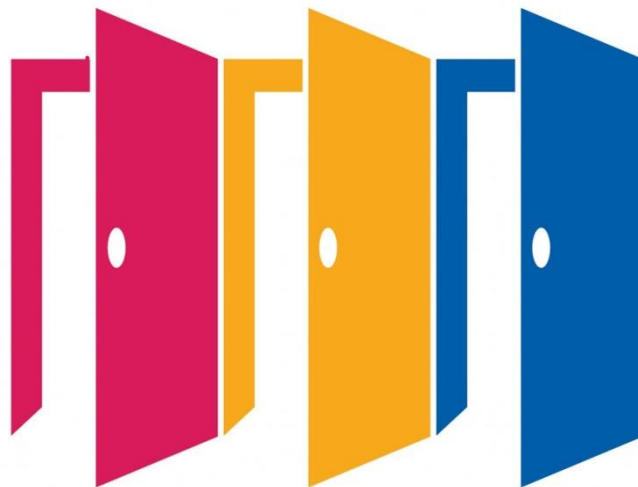


- Bella Hall and Faith Tannenbaum, NU SR member RYLA, REGLE and Interactors
- Jeff Merriman, Program Manager, NC Code Enforcement—Description of CE



The Year in Review

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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I. President's Review



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

This has been a year to remember and forget as soon as possible! With all of our meetings being held on Zoom, most, if not all, of our major projects and fundraisers being modified or cancelled due to Covid-19, we had to stay on our toes and make lots of adjustments. The year really had some wonderful accomplishments and achievements. We stepped up our efforts to support many local organizations and non-profits with their efforts to provide support to those in need. Many in our community were affected by the pandemic. We rendered aid wherever we could.

We held a great new fundraiser at Lyman Gilmore with a drive through Halloween dinner. Tom Stanley did a wonderful job on the meat and we raised more than \$4,000 from that evening. Another is planned for October 2021 as well!

We continued to provide for our Students of the Month, even though the pandemic changed learning and schools significantly. We supported Wreaths Across America, Salvation Army, Sierra College students, NC Fair Foundation, Women of Worth, Lyman

Gilmore, and several other local organizations. We gave generously through our commitment to Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital in 2020.

I am so glad you all gave me the latitude to have fun and be myself through my weekly National Holiday reminders. You all generously laughed at my very dry, CPA type humor too! I had fun handing out “fines” for unique member events. Through Zoom, we were able to bring in some wonderful speakers and programs, that we likely never would have been able to do, as some of our speakers were in other states and countries!

What a unique, odd, fun, interesting, and tragic year, all wrapped up! Through the Covid-19 pandemic, we still managed to have 5 new members of our community join the BEST Rotary club ever!

Welcome again to Josh Robinson, Andrew Withers, Andrew Jackson, Jennifer Malone, and Lisa Swarthout!

Although at times I felt like my job as President was just to help try and lead the club through survival mode of this pandemic, I still feel proud of the year we had. I’m excited for this new 2021-2022 Rotary year with wonderful new leadership to take us forward to all new levels!

I want to thank all those who helped me along this year. I received so much support from members of our club and I will forever be grateful to each one of you. I might even eventually reply to all those e-mails someday!

To many more years of service above self,

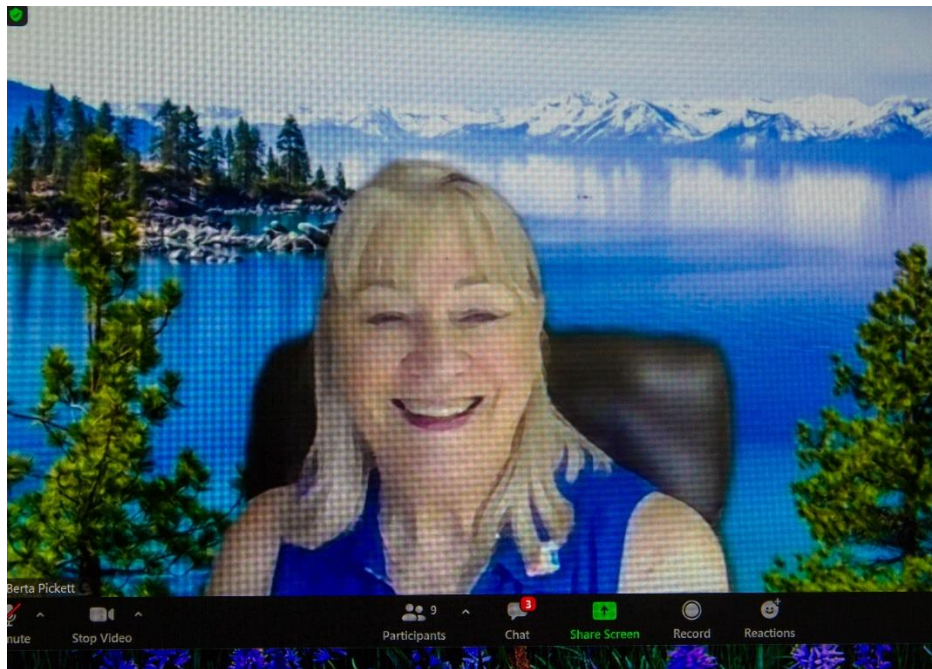
2020-2021 Rotary Club of Grass Valley President
Seth Leishman

II. District Conference

Results and Activities

a) District Governor Visit –

Roberta “Berta” Pickett Aug. 24, 2020



DG theme for this year
“Grow Rotary from the inside out and
find joy in your journey.”

b) Rotary RALLYE- Harrah’s Lake Tahoe, April 29-May 2, 2021

c) Rotary International Convention Taipei,
Taiwan - June 12-16, 2021

III. Club Organization

Club Leadership

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Board of Directors

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Viv Tipton, Pam Mirkin, Sean Jackson

Members in Leadership Positions

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Paul Harris Donations

Paul Harris Fellow (\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant)

Andrew Harris
Heather Thorpe
Marcia Salter +3
Seth Leishman
Anita Daniels +5

Diana Hendry +1
Tim McCall +5
Kathleen Shaffer +2
Pam Mirkin

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Foundation Banner Report

Annual Fund \$17,651 Goal \$14,500
Club Fund Participation 98% Goal 100%

IV. In Memory

all present and accounted for

V. Avenues of Service

a) New Members

- Joshua Robinson August 31, 2020
- Andrew Withers January 4, 2021
- Andrew Jackson January 4, 2021
- Jennifer Malone February 1, 2021
- Lisa Swarthout February 1, 2021

b) Club Service

Foundation Dinner – cancelled due to
COVID-19

Rotary Trick or Treat Tri-Tip BBQ
Oct 31, 2020

Christmas Party – cancelled due to COVID

Virtual Holiday Social Night
December 21, 2020

Casino Night - cancelled due to COVID

Virtual Gold Country Auction
(replaced Casino Night)
March 25-April 6, 2021

c) Community Service

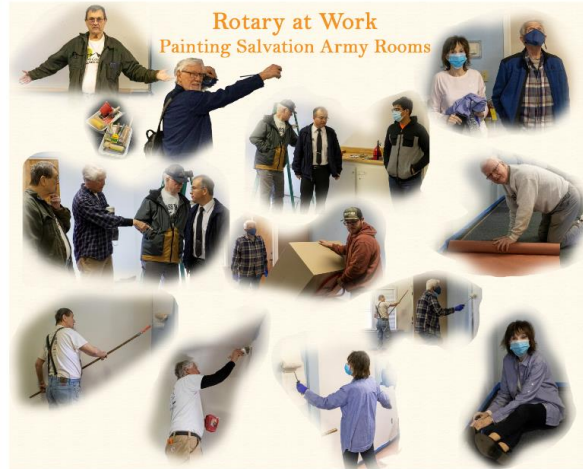
Salvation Army- Ring the Bell
December 5 and 12, 2020



Graduation Breakfast for Chicaco Park School
June 10, 2021



Salvation Army - Clean and Paint plus
Bed Assembly
March 12 and May 29, 2021



Nevada County Fairgrounds clean-up
June 26, 2021

Assist Western Sierra Clinic staff with Vaccination
clinic
June 5 and 26, 2021

Area 4 - club community projects

Food Bank – November 19, 2020



Wreathes Across America December 19, 2020



Hospice of the Foothills butterfly memorial June 1, 2021



d) Vocational Service

e) International Service

Annual Foundation Drive –
Nov. 4 -Dec 1, 2020

Grant for Food Support Program –
Bwindi Community Hospital

f) Youth Service

Students of the Month-
individual zoom presentations

Area Music and Speech Contest

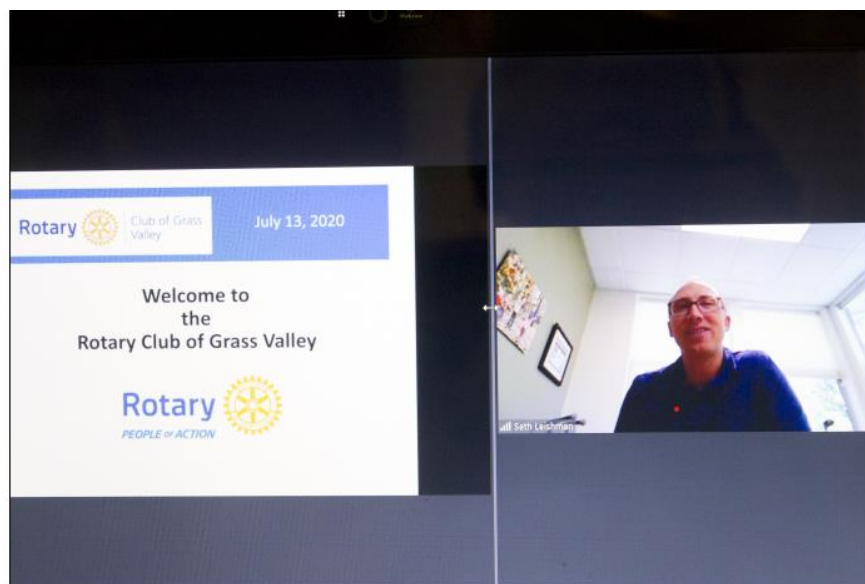
VI. Community Grants & Donations

- Wreaths Across America
- Salvation Army
- OSHER Scholarships for Sierra College
- Women of Worth
- Lyman Gilmore - Interact and Student of the Month Awards; art supplies for school
- Area Speech contest

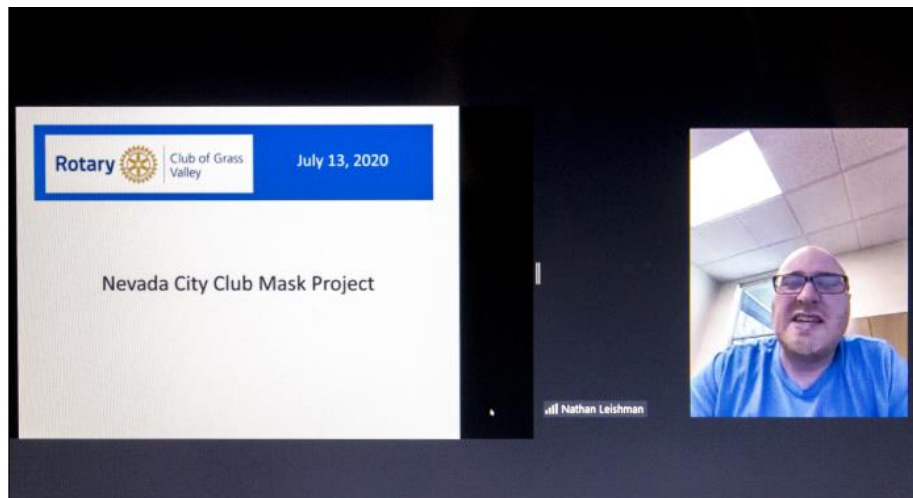
- Scholarships for Graduating Seniors
- Nevada County Fair Foundation
- Bear River Safe and Sober Grad Night
- NU Vals and Sals, and Grad Party
- Bright Future For Youth and Curious Forge scholarships
- A New Day
- Hospice of the Foothills
- Support for District Grants
- City of Grass Valley – trees for parking lot

VII. Presentations and Speakers

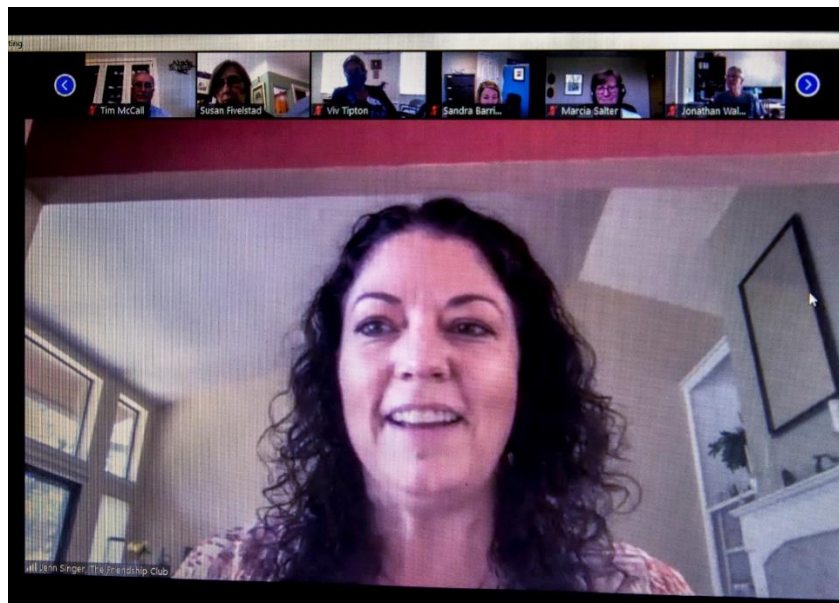
Club meetings were conducted via zoom presentations with weekly Food To Go suggestions through April 2021



- Nathan Leishman, NC Rotary member -Rotary program to support mask uses.



- Jennifer Singer, Executive Director, The Friendship Club – The mission and goals and details of merger with NEO.



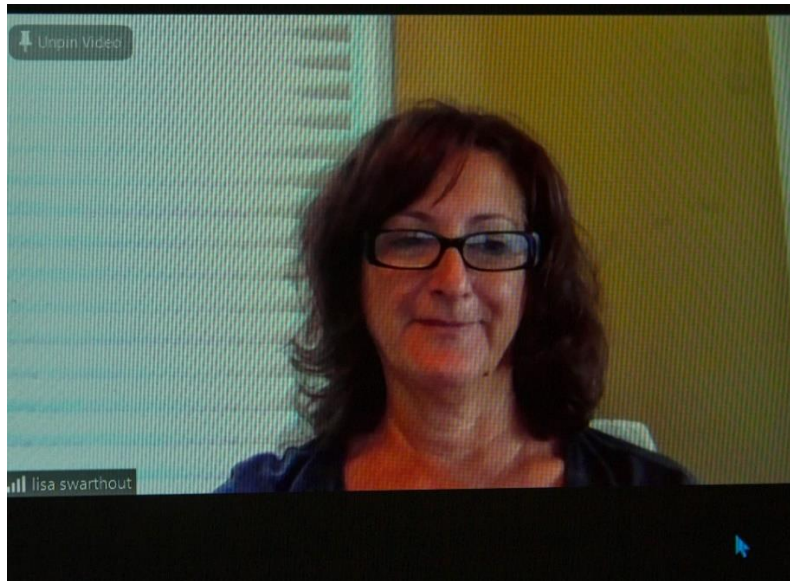
- Mailika Bishop, Sierra Harvest



- Dr. David Evans, CEO, SNMH – review of the projects at the hospital, COVID update



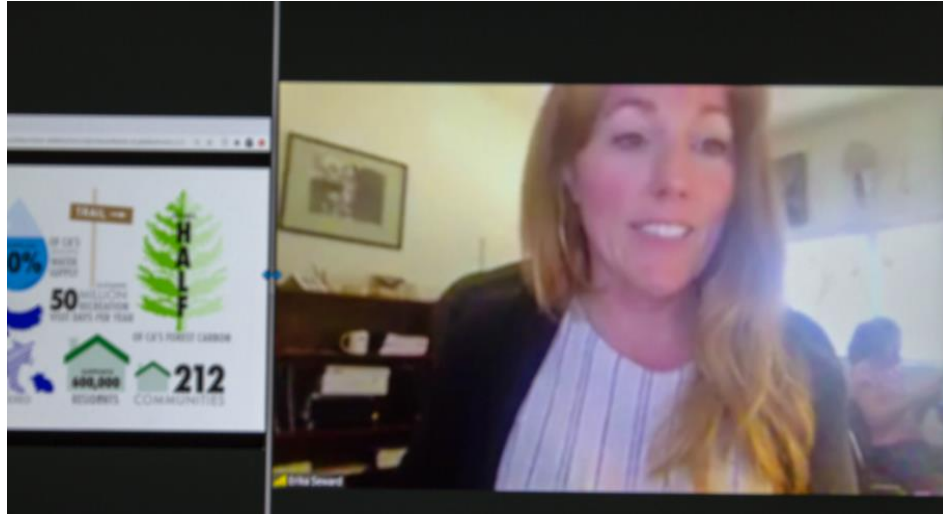
- Lisa Swarthout, Mayor of Grass Valley- review of projects in the city



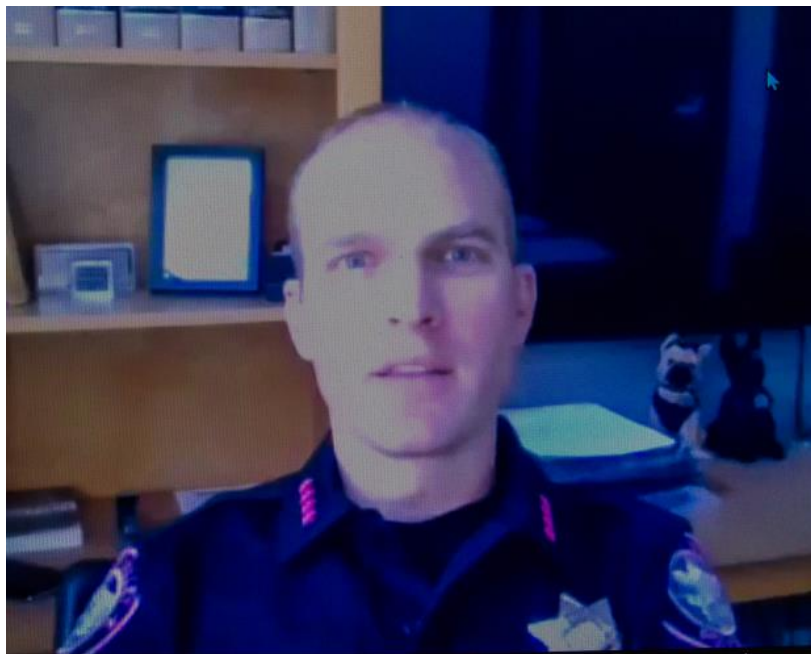
- Dan Kennerson, co-founder of South Fork Vodka - origins of business and current activities



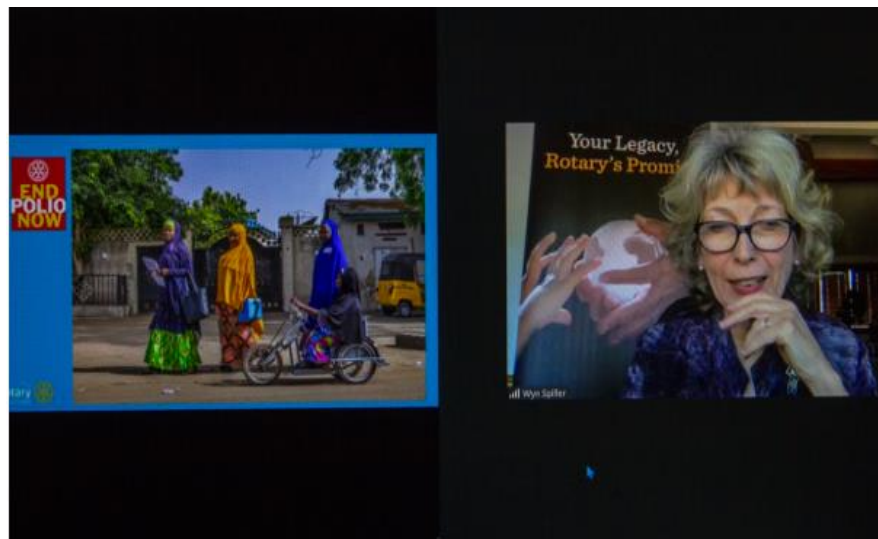
- Erica Seward - Bear Yuba Land Trust- summary of recent, current and future activities



- Alex Gammelgard - GVPD Chief- current activities and the role of Jamal Walker as Community Relations person



- Andrea Eggleton, CEO FRST - forest management and conservation, Rotarian member business presentation
- Cristian and Rebecca Sibaja, Directors, Salvation Army, Rotarian member business presentations
- Dan Petrie CEO of Mountain Valley Child & Family Services, a residential facility for troubled youth
- Sean Jackson, Co-founder, Jackson and Sands Engineering, Rotarian member business presentation
- Wyn Spiller, Scott Browne – review of Foundation Drive Program and results

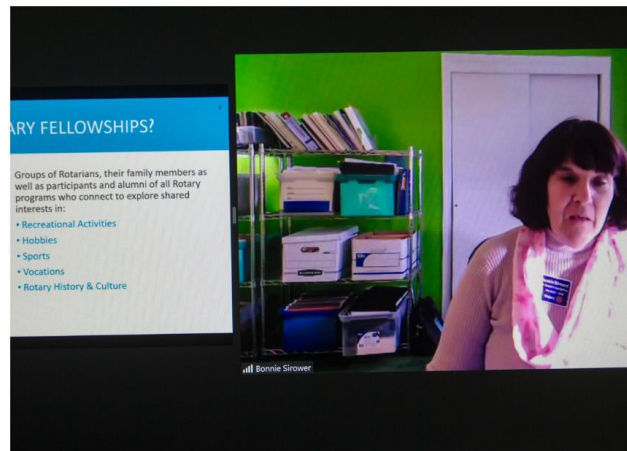




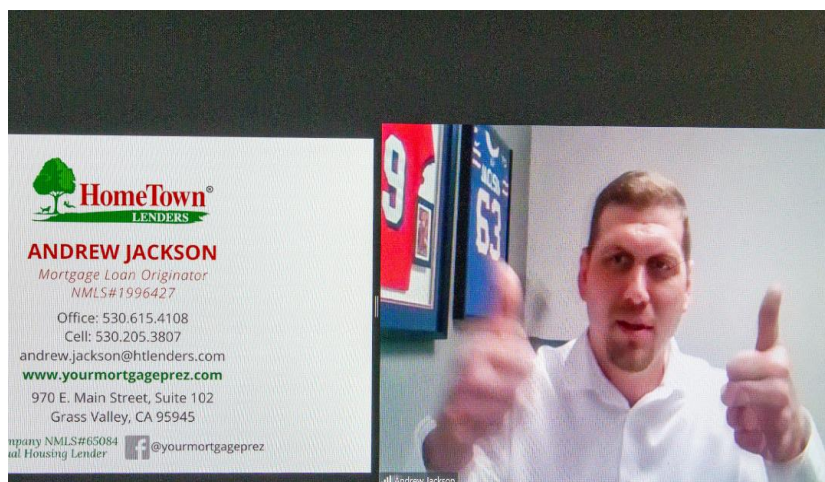
- Nick Wilczek, NC Librarian, what the library is doing during COVID
- Lori Nunnink – Victim Witness Assistance Program Director, review of programs



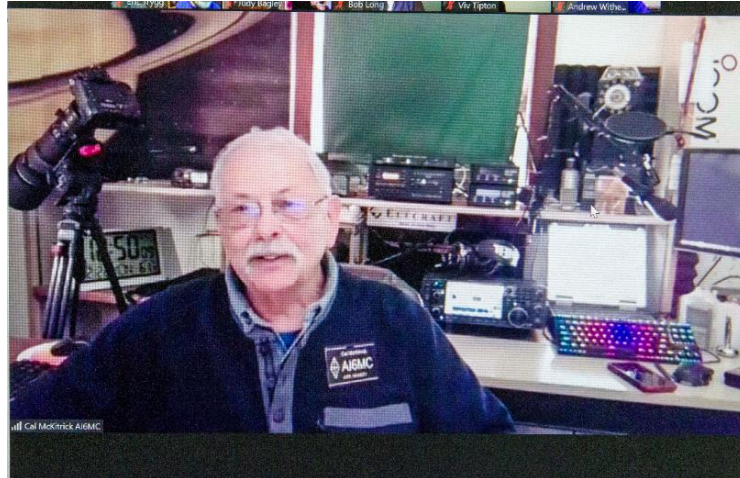
- Bonnie Sirower - Rotary Fellowship Groups (see rotary.org/fellowships for listing of 30 + fellowship). Five other leaders of various fellowships also presented overviews.



- Joe Niesyn, administrator of Big Brothers/Sisters – update on program activities
- Andrew Jackson, Loan Officer, Hometown Lenders, Rotarian member business presentation



- Joanne Hild, Executive Director Sierra Streams Institute- Jones Fire Recovery
- Cal McKittrick, Ham Radio, review of club activities

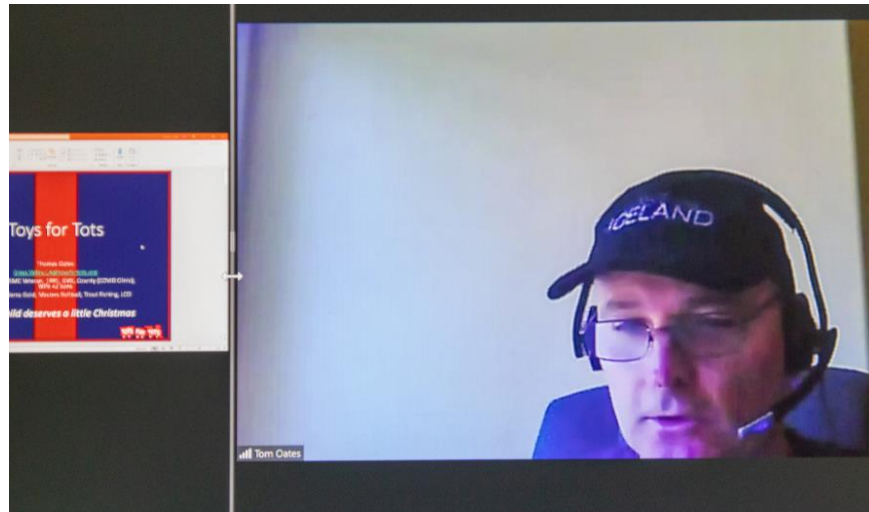


- Dr. Scott Kellerman, NC Health Officer - update on County COVID-19 response



- Ken Holbrook, Rotary Member - life and times of Red Dog, CA

- Monty East, Rotary Member – real estate trends in Nevada County
- Tom Oats – Toys for Tots coordinator for the Grass Valley area. – workings of the organization in 2020 and for 2021



- Beth Moore, Wild Eye Pub: Running a restaurant in the midst of a pandemic

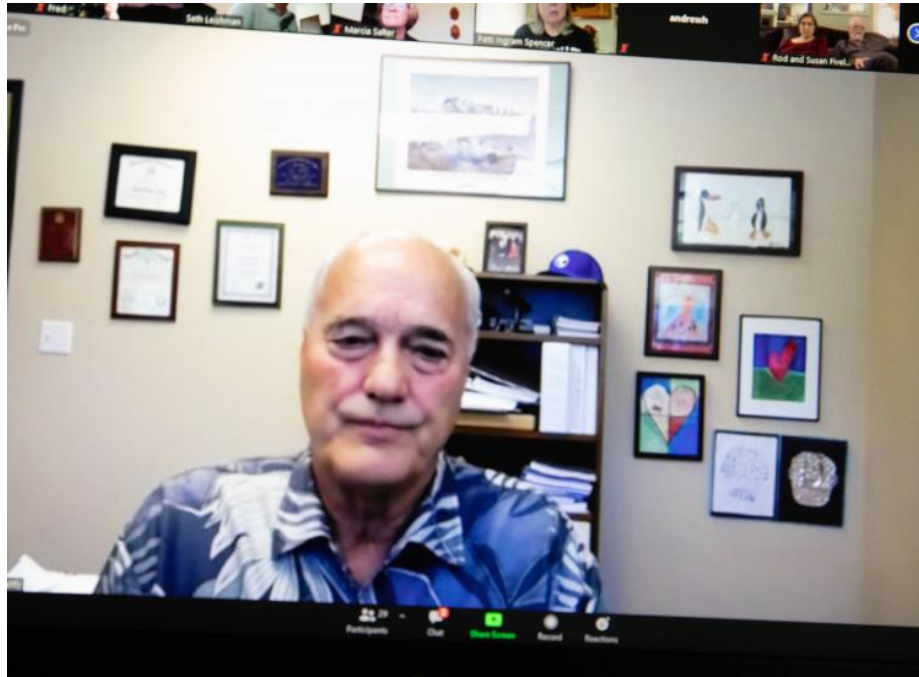


- Prof. Bevin Ashenmiller - Economics of climate change - the economics in determining the social cost of climate change



- Joshua Robinson, branch manager of Grass Valley Tricounties Bank, Rotarian member business presentation.
- Erika Kosina from Sierra Commons -current status and changes made during COVID to help business owners.
- Bob Long, Ready, Set, Go program- review of the current and necessary steps to address fire preparedness.

- Dan Miller, Nevada County Supervisor – review of recent and current issues



- Mike Ertola Nevada County Chief Probation Officer
- Paul Cummings, Nevada County Office of Emergency Services – what you "need to know" about the fire season.
- Diana Carolan, Empire Toastmasters – What is Toastmasters
- Jennifer Singer, Executive Director, The Friendship Club – update on the merger with NEO.

ABOUT US



The Friendship Club

- Founded 1995

NEO Youth Center

- Founded 2008
- Opened center in 2015

SAFE

- Launched in 2019

Bright Futures for Youth

- Formed by the merger of The Friendship Club and NEO in 2020



- President Seth's Demotion Social
Condon Park June 28, 2021

