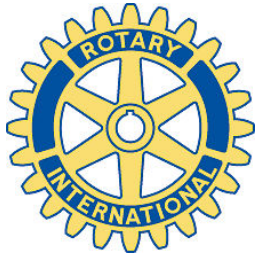


# Mike's Memos



Rotary Club of Reno Sunrise • Chartered – April 13, 1989 • Club No. 26317

## Mike's Message

### "Forty Eight Left on the Plate"

My Fellow Rotarians,

First: I owe a big **thank you** to Paul Kiser for setting Jon Greene's pictures to music for Thom's demotion. So sorry I missed that, and I didn't even have one drop of alcohol on the bus trip. Imagine what I would have missed if I would have been sampling the grapes! Ok enough Thom foolery!

Let's get serious! We are about to divide and conquer! What? You say, Reno Sunrise will be divided? Yep, into three groups and one group will be the honored at a banquet. Very soon a fine reward for winning the Sunrise growth contest will be made known. Next week I will identify the team members and then the rest is up to you.

Remember: Rotary is in our hands. We get out of it, just what we put in. So let's put our all into it and let's have fun.

Yours in Rotary,  
President Mike

### You know you are living in 2009 when...

- You email the person that works at the desk next to you

## This Week's Program

### Andy Flock Sparks Fire Department

Chief Flock joined the department in 1983 as a volunteer/auxiliary firefighter. In 1984 he became a paid firefighter and was promoted to Pump Operator 1987, Captain in 1993, Battalion Chief in 2001, and Division Chief in 2004. In 2008, Chief Flock was promoted to Fire Chief.

Chief Flock is a retired Chief MSGT from the Nevada Air National Guard after 30 years of service.

The Sparks Fire Department was first formed in 1905. In 2005, the Sparks Fire Department celebrated its Centennial.

City of Sparks and Sparks Fire Department Information:

- Population 91,684
- Annual Fire Department Budget \$16,196,000
- 38 + Square Miles within City Limits
- 5 paid Fire Stations, 6 Response Districts
- 109 Personnel, including administrative and Fire Prevention Staff
- 3-4 Person Engine Companies
- Average Call volume (25 per 24 hour period)
- Governing Body (Sparks City Council)

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## Mark your Calendar

**July 25, 2009**

### District Foundation Seminar

Siena Hotel

8:30 AM – Siena Ballroom 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Who should attend - Club Presidents, President-Elects, Rotary Foundation Committee Chairs, and members interested in learning more about the Foundation and/or joining the Club Foundation Committee. Contact John Hetz

**August 20, 2009**

### The Rotary Club of Loyalton's Annual Lamb Feed BBQ

"The Rotary Park" on Smithneck Road

5:30 PM Cocktails 6:30 PM Dinner - \$20

Contact Brooks "Trout" Mitchell 530-993-4012

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## Upcoming RSR Programs

**July 31, 2009**

Jean Irwin

District 5190 Literacy Projects

**August 7, 2009**

Lisa Wallace

Truckee River Watershed Council

**August 14, 2009**

Report from RYLA by Reno Sunrise sponsored RYLA Students

**August 21, 2009**

Noreen Leary

Veterans Guest House

**August 28, 2009**

Wend Schaefer

District International Service Chair

**September 4, 2009**

Marietta Nobile

Reno Sunrise 1<sup>st</sup> Inbound

Exchange Student

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## July Birthdays

July 1	Chuck Fulkerson
July 3	Dan Webb
July 5	Jay Shaw
July 10	Ron Rehn
July 14	Noreen Leary
July 15	Helen Graham
July 22	Jon Greene
July 25	Virginia Haliwell
July 26	Dan St. John

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## July Wedding Anniversaries

July 1	Jon & Martha Greene
July 12	Jowel Laguerre
July 17	Brian Delisle
July 28	Craig Denney

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## CLUBS FOR MAKE-UP

### Monday

Reno – Harrah's - 12:00 PM

Incline Village – Parasol Foundation - 12:15 PM

Reno New Generations Club – 5:30 PM - Siena

### Tuesday

Truckee Sunrise – Donner Lake Kitchen – 7:00 AM

Carson City – Golden Nugget – 12:00 PM

Reno Central – Peppermill – 12:00 PM

Minden – Carson Valley Inn – 12:00 PM

Fallon – Fallon Convention Center – 12:15 PM

Reno Centennial Sunset – Tamarak – 6:00 PM

Tahoe City – Sawtooth Restaurant – 6:00 PM

### Wednesday

Sparks – John Ascuaga's Nugget – 12:10 PM

So. Lake Tahoe – Harrah's – 7:00 PM

Reno Rotoract – 7:30 PM every other week

Visit [www.renorotoract.com](http://www.renorotoract.com) for location

### Thursday

Sparks Centennial Sunrise – Davids @ Red Hawk - 7AM

Tahoe Incline – Hyatt – 7:00 AM

Fernley – Frontier Fun Center – 11:30 AM

Reno South – Atlantis – 12:00 PM

Truckee – Hampton Inn – 12:00 PM

Carson City Sunset – Eagle Valley GC – 6:30 PM

### Friday

Reno Sunrise – Siena Hotel Spa Casino – 7:00 AM

Tahoe Douglas – MontBleu Resort – 12:00 PM

### Online

e-club one - [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

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## What the heck is Group Study Exchange?

By Martha Greene

Last week my article identified several programs which promote Rotary Connections. One of the least well known is Group Study Exchange.

Group Study Exchange is a Foundation program. That means the major expenses are paid for by The Rotary Foundation. Which explains why only the leader of the group is a Rotarian. (The IRS frowns on contributing to a foundation which then benefits you or your family.) Noreen, Chris, Mark and I have all led GSE teams to overseas Rotary districts in the past. Jon Greene will be leading the team to the Southern India district 3201 early in 2010, in time to attend their district conference.

Members of the team must be “professionals between the ages of 25 to 40” (TRF rules) and be able to benefit from learning how their profession is conducted in the hosting district. There are 3 to 5 team members. Every team member is sponsored by a local Rotary club. This includes having the member speak at the club (ideally both before and after the exchange) and supplying a couple of hundred dollars for incidental expenses such as gifts for hosts.

There is an in-bound team as well. The in-bound team from D-3201 will be here in May for our district conference.

GSE lasts a month and is not a vacation. Team members are going 12 to 15 hours a day. They stay with local Rotarians and visit local Rotary clubs. Every Rotarian in the district wants to see and talk to the team members. During the day team members make vocational visits. Architects visit architect offices in the host district, librarians visit libraries, etc. The rest of the day is spent on sightseeing.

GSE is a fabulous, once in a lifetime opportunity to make connections in another part of the world.

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## RSR Officers / Board Members

President – Mike Clifton

President-Elect – Harvey Miller

President-Nominee – John Hetz

Secretary – Mark Kattelman

Treasurer – Brian DeLisle

Immediate Past President – Thom Collins

Club Service – Helen Graham

Community Service – Virginia Haliwell

RYE – Jay Shaw

Vocational Service – Allan Sisia

Director at Large – Mark Anderson

Director at Large – Ron Rehn

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## Rotarian Opportunities

**This section will feature jobs or opportunities for Rotarians.**

**Submit any available Jobs or Opportunities to**  
[mikesmemos@att.net](mailto:mikesmemos@att.net)

**Please submit By Wednesday afternoon to be published in Friday's Newsletter**

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## Rotary History Library

### Popular Culture

Rotary International was portrayed in Steven Spielberg's film *Catch Me If You Can*. Frank Abagnale, Jr.'s (played by Leonardo DiCaprio in the film) father, Frank William m Abagnale (played by Christopher Walken) was a life time Rotarian in the film, because he was a hero World War II. The Italian song "Rotary Club of Malindi", which had a relative success on the world-music scene, speaks of an organization for "white people in depression". In the television show *Desperate Housewives*, Gabrielle attends Victor Lang's Rotary Club meeting in his ex-wife's couture dress. Stephen King's novel, "The Library Policeman", centers on Sam Peebles, a small town insurance agent who is called upon on short notice to give a speech to his Rotary Club on "The Importance of the Independently Owned Business in a Small-town Life". In season four episode five of the Larry David show "Curb Your Enthusiasm", titled "The 5 Wood", David is trying to gain entrance into a club whose members were generally non-Jewish Republicans. In the interview David makes up many lies about himself, one of which being that he is a member of the Rotary Club. In most dual episode "Hole in the Heart" of series three of the Australian comedy TV series *Frontline*, the host Mike Moore and producer try to get all the credit after Rotary bring a young boy from Papua New Guinea to Melbourne, Australia for a life-saving operation. In season four, episode three of *The Office*, branch manager Michael Scott holds one of his notorious seminars which this one focusing on ageism in the workplace. He introduces the surviving founder of the Dunder-Mifflin paper company, who mentions that he meet the late co-founder when they were in the Rotary Club. In the book *Lemonade War* Rotary is mentioned as having sponsored an annual fifth grade class science project competition with cash rewards to the winners.

Submitted by Linda Tuxon

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## Last Week's Meeting



Dr. Scott Kellerman, Grass Valley Rotary Club, told us about his work with the Batwa pygmies in Uganda & setting up a hospital and school.

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Ed and Chris are at it again

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**The Rotary Four Way Test  
of the things we think, say or do**

***Is it the TRUTH?***

***Is it FAIR to all concerned?***

***Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER  
FRIENDSHIPS?***

***Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?***

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