

The Four Way Test

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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Rotary Recap

By: Mike Peterson and Larry Skaggs

August 2, 2012

The August 2, 2012 meeting of the Rotary Club of Green Valley started with the traditional ring of the bell by President Melinda, followed by an interesting video centered on the theme of "What is Rotary."

Soon after, substitute trivia guru Larry S. challenged our "mental muscles" with trivia with the theme of "Summertime Music". Answers ranged from*The Lovin' Spoonful* to Gershwin to Sinatra to Kid Rock to yes, even Banarama!

Prez Melinda then gave us a new wrinkle, as she had us vote for the July Rotarian of the Month. The votes were counted and the inaugural vote went to our own Nelda, largely due to her involvement in our Lia Sophia jewelry fundraiser. Speaking of *Lia Sophia*, **Nelda** announced that we sold over \$2,000 in jewelry. That means that our club got\$562 back to apply to service projects. No official word on how much sangria was consumed during the party though!



Speaking of "alcohol for a cause", Jeff gave us an update on our upcoming Winemaking event through Grape Expectations. Jeff said we need 20 cases to place wine order, and have sold 9 so far.

Ashley announced our night golf outing on August 17. It will include barbeque, a putting contest, and something about 2 balls... that glow in the dark. Cost is \$45.00. (See further information below).

Jack, chair of our Projects Committee, shared information on some of our upcoming service projects. He announced ourShade Tree birthdays will continue, and we will be helping Child Focus again in December and Goody Two Shoes will be right around the corner. See Jack if you have a service project you feel our club would like to participate in.

Jim S. then introduced our visitors and guests. Guests included Steven Silberkraus, and Chelyn Sawyer, visiting Rotarians Richard and Nancy Dailey originally from the Great State of Indiana, now from the Henderson Rotary Club. Richard and Nancy talked about their club's upcoming golf outing to support at-risk schools. It will take place November 14th at Revere Golf Club.

Our Finemaster Mike P. then got The Wheel spinning. We heard about Happy Bucks from Mike on his trip to the Turks & Caicos islands, (complete with his gift of a fancy shmancy Customs Declaration Form for Prez Melinda), Susan's trip to Key West for a construction defect conference (and her Presidential gift of a "Mile 0" shot glass)Lauren's new puppy, Larry B.'s new car, Jim F. and George's upcoming trips to Duck Creek and Seattle (not together), and Jeff pointing out to our attorneys in the club that Rain-X Windshield Wipes were "not to be used for



personal use."

Dr. Robert Lang was then introduced as our guest speaker. Dr. Lang is a professor of Urban Affairs and Director of the Brookings Mountain West at UNLV and a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution. He is an author, a Fulbright Scholar, and he received a PhD in Sociology from Rutgers University. He gave a very interesting talk on urban planning, and large-scale urbanization and development





Birthdays



Mike Peterson August 04

Wedding Anniversaries Steven S. Weggeland

Aug 20 Thomas E. Bramlett Aug 22



Michael Soden Aug 23



Jay Larsen Aug 25



David L. McGovern Sep 05



Dr. Lang shared some incredible insight on the proposed High Speed Rail project. He stated many of us describe it as a rail to nowhere / Victorville, but he said that from a California perspective, Victorville actually makes sense. It allows Californians to access Las Vegas for more than gambling purposes. It will reduce bottlenecks on Californians return trip home, and he feels it could

also give more business to McCarran airport by way of people coming in from the Inland Empire. He also explained that there are legal restrictions to use of the railroad right-of-way through the Cajon Pass.

He also talked about Interstate 11. Yes, currently there is no I-11, but this is the proposed highway that would connect Las Vegas to Phoenix. These are the two largest adjacent metro areas in the country not connected by interstate highways. From a future planning perspective, this new interstate could position our city as a vital link connecting us to both the port of Long Beach and to a proposed new seaport in Mexico linking Mexico and China.



Dr. Lang said that contrary to some beliefs, there are several industries that could thrive in Southern Nevada if given the opportunity and support. Examples include the aerospace, health care, and tourism industries. He said stadiums actually make sense here because most people that use the facilities would ome from out of town. Green



energy, manufacturing, and logistics could also be huge growth opportunities. About 90,000 construction jobs have been lost during the recent economic downturn. If we removed the construction job sector, we would actually be aheadof the nation in unemployment rate.

One huge opportunity for us to make up for the massive construction job loss is in health care. We are 40,000 direct jobs and 20,000 indirect jobs short from where we should be in health care. We have no medical school of size. Dr. Lang states that investing in the

health care and partnering with academia would be the fastest route to adding jobs. Phoenix, AZ has used this as a model for us to emulate.

After Dr. Lang's talk wrapped up, we had our raffle. It was won by **Dave M.**, who only collected **\$5. Dave** then led us in the reciting of the **4-Way Test**.

Quit 'cher Whining... We're Gonna <u>MAKE</u> Wine

July 12, 2012

Deadline Extended

You still have time to register for this event. The deadline has been extended until **August 12**.

Rotarians from other clubs, family and friends are also welcome.

OK, you can quit your whining now ...

The Rotary Club of Green Valley is going to make our own wine...!!!

That's right, as a fun, social event we are going to get together to learn the fine art of wine making. Not only can you learn how it is done, but you will be actively involved in making<u>OUR</u> wine. And, you will have



something to show for it when we are done.

Our <u>Make Wine Event</u> will allow our members, family, friends and **Rotarians** from other clubs to produce a barrel of our own wine! We will be meeting at <u>Grape</u> <u>Expectations</u> to "uncork" a new **GV Rotary** tradition. The adventure will involve the following steps...



Session 1: Winemaking 101 - Here we will learn about grapes, equipment, procedures and scheduling for creating our wine.



Session 2: A Smashing Good Time - In this session we will load our selected grapes into the crusher (sorry Susan, no barefoot stomping of the grapes) and then pump the *must* into the fermentation tub.

Session 3: Meet the Press - Several weeks later we will press the juice from the *must* and pump it into a 53 gallon oak barrel.

Session 4: Nice Rack - After a few months, our wine will be pumped into a fresh barrel to continue the aging process.

Session 5: Con-Graduation Day - We will load the wine into the bottles and cork and label them. We can then enjoy the 'fruits of our labor" as we enjoy the 240 bottles of wine that we have created.

Prices for making the wine are as follows...

<u>ltem</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3 cases (36 bottles)	\$ 405.
2 cases (24 bottles)	\$ 270.
1 case (12 bottles)	\$ 135.
1/2 case (6 bottles)	\$ 67.50
1/4 case (3 bottles)	\$ 33.75

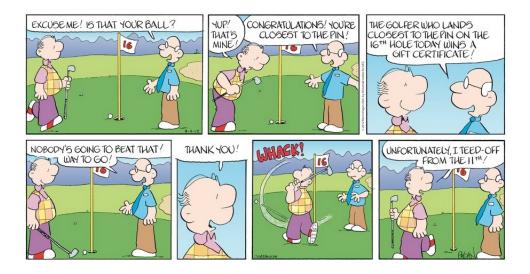


To make sure that we have enough participation, we are asking everyone to register (and indicate how much wine you wish to purchase) on our website calendarby July 31.

More details will follow once we have the registration information from our members. If you have further questions, plead contact **Jeff Manna.** Don't be left out of this "grape" event.

Night Golf Outing August 2, 2012 By: Michael Soden

Just happend to locate these pictures of **George B.** (wearing his yellow plaid sweater vest) taken during his last golf outing.



Got Balls? We'll light them up and watch them glow... Drive for show and putt for dough...!!

Night golf is a 9-hole, four-man scramble (so even if you don't play well you can get a team who does). Prizes will go to^{1st}, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers, as well as the <u>most</u> <u>honest</u> team.

Pick a team name if you would like and enter it into the notes on the registration page. Bring plenty of friends and family as we have 72 spots available to us!

The cost is **\$45 per player** which includes golf, cart, BBQ dinner prior to your round, two glow in the dark golf balls (yes you can purchase more if you think you'll need them) and prizes.

If you have any questions, call **Ashley** at (702) 581-2664, or e-mail her atashley@golfwildhorse.com

Details:

Cost - \$45 per player

Check in and dinner (putting contest if you would like to enter) from 5:30 - 6:50 pm.

Putting contest and mulligans are \$20 per team (\$10 of each purchase from Rotary groups will go back to our club)

Tee off at 7 pm.

Awards follow the round in the restaurant

Rules:

1) Have fun!!

Enjoy getting to know your fellow Rotarians

3) No flashlights on the greens

District 5300 Rotary Member Registration

Register NOW for **Night Golf - August 17, 2012** or send your regrets that you cannot attend by clicking here.

YOU are the Missing Piece August 2, 2012



Russell Bowler, Jerry Gardberg, Don Havins, Greg Hawthorne, Dave Jochman, Frank King (LOA), Stephanie Kurtz, Jay Larsen, Dave Lee, Matt Newsom, Marielaina Perrone, Christine Smith and Brian Whitaker.

Make-Ups Completed

None Reported This Week

Visiting Rotarians

Richard Dailey Nancy Dailey Rotary Club of Henderson, NV Rotary Club of Henderson, NV

<u>Guests</u>

Stephen Silberkraus Chelyn Sawyer Dr. Robert Lang Prospective Member Guest of Stephen Silberkraus Guest Speaker