



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?

Club Leaders



Melinda Margolis
President



Jay Larsen
President-Elect



Michael Soden
Vice President



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iPast President



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Secretary



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Treasurer



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Sergeant-at-Arms

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Club Director, Service
Projects Chair



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Club Director



Larry Skaggs
Club
Director, Public
Relations Chair

Rotary Recap


By: Susan Johnson and Larry Skaggs

September 6, 2012

The **September 6th** meeting was opened by **Prez Melinda's** strike of the bell. She led our group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Although she experienced some difficulty, ultimately with **Mike S.'s** help, **Melinda** showed a video regarding **Rotary**. The most meaningful service work is carried out at the club level. The Social Media Network is a very powerful tool we can use to reach out to prospective members. **Facebook** reached 200 million views in just 9 months, when it took radio and television years to reach 50 million.

Matt acted as our **Trivia Master** and peppered our members with questions of historical significance. Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence; Thurgood Marshall was the first black Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; Thomas Payne wrote "*Common* : "*Common Sense*" and the Boston Tea Party rioted against the increase in tax on tea. The British sought to impose taxes upon the American colonists by virtue of the Stamp Act and others because of debts incurred during the French-Indian War. France was the first country to recognize the United States as a separate country.

Jim S. was called upon to introduce our guests. **Bill Marion**, our Program Speaker, and **Mega Megan Fingort** were both here from the **Neon Museum**. **Dick** and **Nancy Dailey** are visiting **Rotarians** from the **Henderson Rotary Club**. Other visitors included **Sylvia Soden**, **Mike's** wife, and former **GV Rotary** member **Gerry Holinski**. **Prez Melinda** announced that during the month of September, she will pay for the breakfast of each guest brought by a member. The Green Tickets are available on each table.

	DISTRICT 5300 ROTARY CLUB OF GREEN VALLEY HENDERSON, NV SPEND MELINDA'S MONEY	
	I _____ brought _____ (Club Member Name) (Guest Name)	to Green Valley Rotary on _____ (Date)
NOTE: MELINDA, PLEASE PAY CLUB \$12 FOR GUEST		



With the "**Margolis Doctrine**" firmly in place, vacationing members were called upon to present our President with souvenirs of their travels. **Matt** presented **Melinda** with a kit he received while traveling business class on the plane. He also reported purchasing 2-pack of socks in Stockholm, Sweden for **\$46!** Now **Prez Meli** **Prez Melinda** has a new pair of socks to wear for our meetings and projects...



Susan Holland Johnson
Club
Director, Rotary
Foundation Chair

Birthdays



Matthew Newsom
September 26

Stephen T. Tucker
September 30

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



Jeff C. Manna
Sep 25



Nelda Manna
Sep 25

Announcements of upcoming events came next on the agenda: **September 10th** is the **SOARS** (Safety Officer's Award Recognition) presentation to police officers and other first responders. Every member was encouraged to attend. The **District 5300 Leadership Training** takes place on **September 15th** at UNLV's *Boyd School of Law*. There, members will receive training on **Public Relations, Membership** and **Foundation**. A special **Rotary Foundation** training takes place in the afternoon regarding the application for grants and grant-writing. Clubs are required to have two members attend; if they do not, those clubs will not be able to apply for grants.

September 15th also marks the **Charter Event** for the **Rotary Club of Las Vegas Red Rock** to receive their charter. The event takes place at *Vitner's Grill* in the *Fashion Show Mall*. **September 19th** and **23rd** are the upcoming **Shade Tree Birthdays**. Duane volunteered to purchase the cakes and gifts.

September 15th is also the day we register to participate in the **Rose Parade Rotary Float** building, which will take place sometime between Christmas and New Year's Day. Interested members should contact **DGN Larry S.**, as space is limited. Also, we have the **Wine & Wine Making event** coming up with the "stomping of grapes" (grape selection) in October. Participating members are to contact **Past Prez Jeff** regarding what type of wine the members would like to make.

Next on the agenda was **Fines, Happy Bucks** and **Dammit Dollars**. **Finemaster / PP Mike P.** announced that **Melinda** lost her badge -- again, and he was holding it for ransom (geez, it cost her **\$20** to have it returned last time!). **Kent** was the "**Secret Greeter**" and members, including **Christine, PP Susan** and **Brian** had to spin **The Wheel** to determine the amount of their fines for failing to greet him.

Marielaina was happy to be returning from Disneyland and Coronado Island. And did she have a story about her son forgetting to wear pants on the way to school? **Uncle Jon** will be attending his 50th class reunion, and he had a great time with his family, including **Kelly Thompson** at his home in Pioche. **Larry S.** was unhappy his wife, **Vicki**, is still in Wisconsin. He was even more unhappy that he was not able to hear what was transpiring in **Past Prez Jim F.**'s private meeting at the next table.

Gerry Holinski was happy to be returning from his first trip to Magic Mountain -- and riding (surviving) the large roller coaster. He was happy to have seen **George** and **Jon** at the barber shop, and for having taken his son to college at UNR. **Brian** was happy (or was he unhappy) his 16-year-old daughter passed her driver's test -- and now having to pay high insurance rates. **Past Prez Jeff** was happy to have been hugged by **Kent**. **PP Jim F.** was happy **Bill Marion** was there, but unhappy that **Larry** was attempting to eavesdrop on the conversation.

Nancy Dailey announced that the **Henderson Rotary Club** will be hosting a golf outing at the *Revere Golf Course* on **November 14th** and the grand prize is a 100-year old putter. In addition, the club will be hosting a **Spaghetti-Opera Dinner** on **September 24th** where opera singers will be singing around the room. **Chris** was happy to have met and spent time with **Justice Scalia** at the law school, and then also spending last weekend with her 96-year-old

mother. **PP Susan** was happy to have run the half-marathon in Disneyland last weekend, and she will be vacationing in Kansas this next week.



Chris introduced **Bill Marion**, the Principal of Purdue-Marion, and advisor to many political campaigns. Bill is now Chair of the **Las Vegas Neon Museum**, which is located just south of Cashman Field. He noted the museum is actually three, (i.e. history, architectural and art), museums. The neon signs of yesteryear Las Vegas are



owned by Young Electric Sign Company (YESCO), and were never owned by the actual properties. The signs were stored in a bone yard, and eventually, some, although not all have been restored. The Neon Museum went into partnership with the City of Las Vegas in 1996 in efforts to restore many of the signs. Ultimately, the City gave the museum (south of Cashman Field) to house the signs, and a museum, with the restoration of the *La Concha Hotel* lobby as part of the structure. The museum acquired funding through private donors, and the funds were matched with a \$600,000 grant from the Las Vegas Visitors Authority.

The 1955 *Moulin Rouge* sign from the first racially integrated hotel, came to the property just a week before the structure on the old property was burned. Architecturally, Bill noted some signs, such as the one for the *Stardust* ~~Stardust~~ was there to hide the "ugly" building. Notably, Paul Revere Williams, the first black certified architect west of the Mississippi, designed the *La Concha* in 1961. That motel reception area was moved from the original site to the Neon Museum in pieces.



From a marketing standpoint, the "terrible" website used by the Neon Museum acquires over 22,000 hits a month. From a touring standpoint, the Neon Museum is booked for the next three weeks. The grand opening will take place in mid-October.

Kent kept busy on his *iPad* during the program, and we don't know if he was looking at pictures from the Neon Museum bone yard, reading emails or just "surfing the web." **Finemaster Mike... take note...!!**

Last on the agenda was the raffle, and visiting **Rotarian Dick Dailey's** ticket was picked. He drew a "4" and thus won \$4. The last announcement was that **Jeff** was voted the **"Rotarian of the Month"** by our members. Congrats **Jeff!**

He led our group in reciting the **4-Way Test**. And, of course, the meeting ended as it began -- with the strike of the bell.

Note: Prez Melinda announced a change in the **Board of Directors**. Jay will be stepping down from **Prez-Elect** to **Vice President**, (moving his Presidential term back one year), and **Mike S.** will be switching roles with him, becoming our new **President-Elect**.

Register for District Training Sessions

August 16, 2012

District Training Sessions

The time is fast approaching and District 5300 trainers are busy putting the final touches on the **District Training Sessions**.

In the morning you can learn everything you wanted to know [and more!] about **The Rotary Foundation**, **Membership**, and **Public Relations**. Stay for lunch and learn how to get **FREE** money for your clubs in the afternoon.

THIS IS ONE WAY FOR YOU **[IF YOU ATTEND THE AFTERNOON SESSION]** TO BECOME CLUB CERTIFIED TO APPLY FOR GRANTS. Any club that wants a grant in the future (District Simplified Grant, International Matching Grant, Global Scholar Grant) **MUST** have two members of the sponsoring club who are certified!

It is an all day knowledge fest! Registration links are coming soon through the District calendar on DaCdb.

September 15, 2012:

UNLV, Boyd School of Law, 4504 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV.

Doors open at 8:30 am.

Morning sessions run from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

[Learn How to Get Free Money in the Grants Management Seminar](#)

Immediately following your morning training on September 15th, stay for lunch and attend the **Grants Management Seminar**. It is **MANDATORY** for two persons to attend if your club wants to secure any Global Grant or District Grant matching funds in 2013-14.

Learn how to find and fund projects, sustainability, how to partner and new requirements. **DG S**. **DG Sylvia** urges all clubs to attend and become certified. Without this certification, clubs will not be eligible for grants. Watch the district website for more information.

YOU are the Missing Piece

September 6, 2012

**Green Valley
Rotarians**

Missing on

Sept. 6, 2012



Larry Bettis, Russ Bowler, Tom Bramlett, Jack Ewing, Greg Hawthorne, Dave Jochman, Frank King (LOA), Stephanie Kurtz, Dave Lee, Lauren Robydek and Stephen Silberkraus.

[Make-Ups Completed](#)

None Reported This Week

[Visiting Rotarians](#)

**Dick Dailey
Nancy Dailey**

Rotary Club of Henderson, NV
Rotary Club of Henderson, NV

Guests

Gerry Holinski

Former Green Valley Rotarian

Sylvia Soden

Guest of Mike

Bill Marion

Guest Speaker

Megan Fingort

Guest of Christine