

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

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Rotary Recap

By: Christine Smith and Michael Soden

December 20, 2012

Of course, the meeting started with the ringing of the Rotary bell. **Penelope**, the niece of our student of the month led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

And then our ex-police officer, District Governor Nominee Larry Skaggs, regaled us with holiday trivia. Did you know that the X-mas carol Jingle Bells was originally written for Thanksgiving? Or that the Grinch's heart was two sizes too small? The star of the trivia answers was **Mike Peterson**. Mike knew that animal crackers were made in the decorative boxes so they could be hung on the Christmas tree as ornaments. **Mike** – you always amaze us!!!

Our Sergeant at Arms extraordinare, **Jim Servino**, (still enjoying retirement BTW...) introduced our guests: **Jordan Savoy**, our S*tudent of the Month* from **Silverado High School**; **Robert Mars**, principal of **Silverado High School**; **Jordan's** parents and niece **Penelope**; and **Art Basar** former Assistant District Governor from Ohio. On a side note, Art helped to grow his club from 36 to 163 members. **Art** will be moving to LV in late spring or early summer, and we hope he will join our club.

Past President Mike Peterson introduced our student of the month, Jordan Savoy. Jordan has a 4.696 gpa and is ranked 8/580 at Silverado High School. If that is not enough, she is a member of the marching band, a student aide for the band director, a member of Key Club, Interact, National Honors Society, and Engineering Club. She serves as the President of Band Council, and is a tutor. She is an academic letter recipient. Jordan hopes to major in aerospace engineering at University of California, San Diego, become an astronaut, fly a mission to Mars and eventually attend Law School. WOW!! You go gir!!

Steven S. told us about his recent travels. He participated in the move of the Space Shuttle from Cape Kennedy to Los Angeles. The public will now be able to tour the Space Shuttle. Steven is documenting the move for NASA and will soon have a book and a documentary about the Space Shuttle.

Keeping with our annual holiday tradition, Ashley collected holiday tip money for our waiter **Jonathan** and the **Chef Vince**.

Dick Dailey shared that he had a great time driving with **Santa** (*Jon Hoolihan*) to give gifts to the kids. Silverado Interact Club and our student of the month, Jordan, raised money through the school's Miracle Minute for the children's gifts and helped to wrap all 800 of them. **Santa** shared a letter he got from one of the little girls – the young lady's Christmas wish was for her mother to live. Now that brought tears to our eyes!

Dave in his red "Indiana" shirt – oops, his Christmas shirt, and a cast of other latecomers (Russ, Brian, Steve) had to spin the Rotary wheel.

Newsletter Editor need

Looking for a person to create a newsletter for our club. We will submit information to you concerning club events including pictures via email. You create the newsletter by combining our submissions with your own content.

The Newsletter is distributed electronically. We can do this all via DACdb. You do not need any speical software.

If you are interested please contact Larry Skaggs 702-336-7089 or Mike Soden 804-641-5063

Birthdays



Thomas E. Bramlett January 14



Jack R Ewing January 19

Wedding Anniversaries



James Frey Jan 01



David Joseph Jochman Jan 11



Susan Holland Johnson Jan 17



Stephen T. Tucker

Lots of Happy Bucks for our meeting before the Christmas holiday. George bought Jochman a three alarm clock. Melinda said if any of you ride with Dave in his truck in the next year, you are likely to see that clock bouncing around in the back of the truck. Jim Servino was happy that he attended the Henderson Chamber of Commerce meeting, and he invited our club's members to join him at future meetings. Dave invited our Student of the Month to take his aviation class. Kent was happy that Jeff wore his Santa Hawaiian shirt on the coldest morning of the year. Larry was happy that he was able to drive the train at Opportunity Village's Magical Forest again this year and remarked about the new display "Party at the End of the World". Jeff was happy because he has the rare Starbucks black Metal Card - guess if you park yourself at SBs every day you deserve one of those!!! Nancy was happy that we had an aspiring astronaut in our midst because her hero is Neil Armstrong. She was also happy that her brother discovered that her Dad's "arrowhead" collection turned out to be a collection of very rare artifacts. Nancy was sad because Caroline and Sheila were both sick, and we had to postpone their induction. Dick had a sad dollar for the Bears and the Colts. Christine was happy that we honored another fantastic student of the month and that she has finally gotten an IPhone. Mike Peterson was happy that we do not have to root for the Illini. Principal Mars was happy that he is blessed with great students and that his school will have two new academies in 2013-14: Finance and Information Technology. They are recruiting new board members, and he invited interested Rotarians to contact him. Jordan's mom Theresa was happy that she is the mom of a talented young lady. Penelope, Jordan's niece, was proud of Jordan. And Jordan was happy to be honored as student of the month. Steven was happy that he was back in Las Vegas after his cold trip to Edinburgh, Scotland. He was also happy that Jordan is thinking about becoming an astronaut. Melinda told us that Jack Ewing has a new baby boy - congratulations to the Ewing family!!! Mike Peterson was happy that he and his son Nathan picked out a monster truck for our Shade Tree b-day recipient.

In accordance with the Margolis Doctrine, **Steven** brought **Melinda** a train ticket to Brighton Beach and a lucky penny he found on the streets of Edinburgh.

Melinda asked us to keep **Tom Bramlett** in our thoughts as his wife is ill and he is on leave of absence because he is her primary caregiver. We miss you, **Tom!!!**

George drew the winning ticket and won \$5.

We ended with the Four-Way Test and departed to begin our holiday celebrations!!

Merry Christmas, everyone!!!

Student of the Month: Silverado High School

Jordan Savoy is a senior at Silverado High School with a 4.696 Grade Point Average, presently ranked #8 in her class of 580 students.

This year, Jordan is taking four AP classes, Marching Band, and Advanced Band. She has enough credits to shorten her schedule, but she chose to be a student aide for her band teacher and she does go home early on her even days, at 11:30.



All of her teachers agree that she is an exemplary student. She is dedicated, intelligent, creative, respectful, AND funny. Jordan leads her peers by example, and her work ethic and attention to detail are both tools that serve her well here at Silverado, and also will help her in the world beyond. Mr. Drum, her Calculus teach, said that Jordan is an incredible student who does a million extracurricular clubs and she is one of the most impressive students he has encountered in his career. Mr. Lance is her Advanced Band and Marching Band teacher. He shared that in his

12 years at Silverado, Jordan is one of the only a few who stands out as a true leader of her peers. As President of the Band Council, she oversees student related activities within the Band, which is the largest student organization/class on campus. The Silverado Band is fortunate to have a student like Jordan who elevates her peers above herself in her service towards them.

Mr. Drum was so right when he said that Jordan does a million extra-curricular activities. Just to name a few, Jordan is a member of the Senior Class Committee, Key Club International, Interact Club and Nation Honor Society. She is an AP ambassador and the president of Band Council and Engineering Club. Jordan is also a Guidance Mentor, a Mu Alpha Theta tutor and a second grade tutor at Wiener Elementary and ...she is the Sun Youth Forum Final Representative for 2012. Jordan has also received several awards; she was an Academic Letter Recipient for two years, the BandOutstanding Freshman, Sophomore and Junior recipient, and the Music Student of the Month in March 2012.

Jordan plans to major in Aerospace Engineering the University of California San Diego hoping to eventually become an astronaut. She would like to specialize in rocket propulsion and satellite mechanics. Her goals include flying a mission to mars and discovering how to sustain life in extraterrestrial territories. Once her first career is established, she plans to attend Law School.

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is an honor to present to you the recipient of the Green Valley Rotary Student of the Month Award for November, 2012, Ms. Jordan Savoy.

Calling All Members interested in serving on the 2013-2014 Club Board of Directors.

Yes, it is that time again. As the President-Elect it my job to prepare the slate of officers for the 2013-2014 Rotary year. If you are interested in serving as a memebr of the board. Please contact Mike Soden at 804-641-5063 or Email: msoden@harcalfagency.

YOU are the Missing Piece

Green Valley Rotarians

Missing on

Dec 20, 2012



Jack Ewing, Jim Frey, DeWayne Frizzel, Susan Jonson, Matt Newsome, Steve tucker, and Steve Weggeland

Make-Ups Completed

None Reported this Week

Visiting Rotarians

Art Basar

Rotary Club in Ohio

Guests

Jordan Savoy Paul Savoy Pam Savoy Penelope Savoy Robert Mars

Student of the Month
Father of Jordan Savoy
Mother of Jordan Savoy
Neice of Jordan Savoy
Principal of Sliverado Hight School