



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?

Rotary Recap

By: **Christine Smith** and **Michael Soden**

December 6, 2012

Jeff Horn, honorary member and "luckiest principal in the USA", welcomed us to our favorite meeting of the year – our annual holiday breakfast at GVHS. Jeff introduced his colleagues in the GVHS administration – **Jackie Carducci** and **Mark Greenberg**, Assistant Principals; **Gina Davis**, Dean of Students and Chef **Brenda Johansen**.

Club Leaders



Melinda Margolis
President



Michael Soden
President-Elect



Jay Larsen
Secretary, Vice President



Ashley Mahaney
iPast President



Nelda Manna
Treasurer



Jim Servino
Sergeant-at-Arms



Jack R Ewing
Club Director, Service Projects Chair



Christine L. Smith
Club Director



Larry Skaggs
Club Director, Public Relations Chair



Susan Holland Johnson
Club Director, Rotary Foundation Chair



Chef Brenda's students served us a lovely breakfast while we were entertained by the grammy award winning Jazz Band. The band is directed by **Cecil Myers** and has travelled worldwide. The madrigal singers, directed by **Ms. Ritzer**, sang four fabulous songs of the season. This talented group is travelling to perform at Carnegie Hall. We were all invited to attend the annual Christmas concert at 6:30 p.m. on December 20. I am sure it will be a fabulous concert! All of these talented young students perform in the community – so if you need entertainment don't forget about this wonderful resource. They are

reasonable, and all monies they raise by performing are used for their travels to competitions and other appearances.

In appreciation for the fine entertainment, **Nelda Manna**, presented the culinary program, the jazz program, and the madrigal program each with \$500 checks.

We had a special treat in that **Mike Peterson** presented the student of the month, **Lauren Bowler**. Lauren is the daughter of Green Valley Rotary member **Russ Bowler**. Lauren has a 4.4 gpa. Her teachers describe her as passionate, organized, skillful in planning, outstanding on the track field, amazing, and positive. Lauren is active in the GVHS acapella group, the madrigal choir, and other choirs. She is a member of the Nevada All-state choirs. And, in her spare time, she makes flower headbands for babies. Wow, Russ, your daughter is amazing!!!

Melinda told the group about our Child Focus project reuniting foster children siblings for a holiday event. Jim Frey organized all the volunteers for Opportunity Village Magical Forest. Thanks to all our club members who participated in these important projects.

Jim introduced our guests: **Cole, Caroline Orzes, Sheila Callum, Marielena Peronne, Carol Servino, Carol Frey, and Pam Bettis**.

Fine Master **Mike Peterson** fined **Dave Jochman** for being late. We quickly moved to happy bucks. Dave was happy that folks gathered at the Leatherneck club to put together troop boxes. Friends of our Rotary club, **Marielena Perrone** and **Joe Rubin** both contributed to the care boxes. **Brian Whitaker** was happy that Cole was able to come to the meeting and that the **Bowler** family was present for Lauren's special honor as student of the month. **Christine** was happy to have had a

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 special software.

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

Birthdays

Steven S. Weggeland
December 02



Weldon E. Havins
December 09



Jay Larsen
December 11

Jerome M. Gardberg
December 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Frank King
Nov 29



Larry G. Bettis
Dec 28



George Edward Baggott
Dec 28

Jerome M. Gardberg
Dec 28

great weekend with her mom celebrating her mom's 96th birthday. **Dick** had a dammit dollar for the Bears loss, a happy dollar for the Colts, and a dammit dollar that Nancy was not able to be at the meeting. **Kent** was happy that he did well at his swim meet. **Duane** had a happy buck for the student of the month. **Jeff** and **Ashley** were happy to have participated in the **Child Focus** event. **Jim** was celebrating six years in Las Vegas. He is turning a new leaf with the sale of the radio station, so if anyone has the perfect job for Jim, just let him know! **Larry** was happy that **Pam** was able to attend the meeting. Melinda congratulated the student of month. **Susan** was happy that our club made its pledge for Polio Plus.

Upcoming events are joining **Santa (Jon Hoolihan)** on his gift deliveries; the holiday open house at **Dave Jochman's** home, and the X-mas Eve hat party at **Jon Hoolihan's** home. January 12 is our next trail clean up. Don't miss an inspirational meeting on December 13 when we present two wheelchairs.

Dick drew the winning raffle ticket. He drew a 3 and won \$3, so the pot grows --- don't miss the opportunity to win on December 13!!!

Green Valley Student of the Month: Lauren Bowler

Congratulations to Lauren Bowler for being selected December's Rotary Student of the Month. Lauren is an excellent representative of a high achieving, passionate, and caring student. Lauren has a 4.4 G.P.A and prides herself on her organization and planning skills to keep up with her busy schedule.

Lauren has been a member of the track team for the past three years, a member of the Madrigals the past two years, and she is also a member of the a cappella group Green NV. Lauren loves many things about school especially how dedicated the teachers are and how much they care about educating the students of GVHS.

Lauren considers herself as interested, curious, and interactive because she asks a lot of questions during class. Lauren's teachers describe her as amazing, very positive, and the student that every teacher dreams of. After graduating from high school, Lauren would like to go to BYU for a semester or two. She then wants to go on a mission for the LDS church for a year and a half. Past accomplishments include being in the Madrigals, CCSD Honor Choir, and the Nevada Allstate choir.

In her spare time, Lauren enjoys babysitting and making hair flowers to put on baby headbands. Lauren was born in Las Vegas and she has three younger brothers ages 9, 12, and 13. Lauren is an excellent example of a well rounded student with a positive outlook and a bright future ahead of her.

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 member of the board. Please contact Mike Soden at 804-641-5063 or Email: msoden@harcalfagency.com.

YOU are the Missing Piece

Green Valley Rotarians

Missing on



Dec 6, 2012



Tom Bramlett, Nancy Dailey, Jack Ewing, Don Havins, Jon Hoolihan, Jay Larsen, David Lee, Dave McGovern, Matt Newsom, Lauren Robydek, Stephen Silverkraus, Larry Skaggs, and Steve Weggeland

Make-Ups Completed

None Reported this Week

Visiting Rotarians

Caroline Orzes

Rotary Club of Henderson, NV

Guests

Sheila Callus

Guest of Melinda Margolis

Marielaina Perrone

Former Club Member

Carol Servino

Wife of Jim Servino

Pam Bettis

Wife of Larry Bettis

Kami Bowler

Wife of Russ Bowler

Carol Frey

Wife of Jim Frey