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## Birthdays



**Stephen T. Tucker**  
September 30



**David L Chase**  
October 09



# Green Valley Rotary Newsletter

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## This Week's Program

### Program for September 11, 2014



**PRESENTER:** Simon Keith, President CEO of the Simon Keith Foundation

**SUBJECT:** Motivational and inspirational speaker

Simon Keith holds the distinction of being the first athlete in the world to play a professional sport after undergoing a heart transplant

Keith was just 21 when, in July of 1986, he received the heart of a 17 year-old boy. Keith amazingly returned to competitive soccer a year after his transplant playing for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). After playing two seasons with the Rebels, Keith garnered many honors including being named the Student-Athlete of Year for the Conference as well as voted as USA's Most Courageous Athlete. After his senior season, Keith was named the Most Valuable Player at the Senior Bowl and was drafted first overall into the Major Indoor Soccer League, just three years after his heart transplant.

Now one of the longest living organ transplant recipients in the world and most notable professional athletes of his time, Keith recently published his biography – Heart for the Game - detailing this most unique journey, including his return to Wales to meet his donor's father, 25 years after that fateful day when the boy lost his life.

In 2011, he founded The Simon Keith Foundation, an organization dedicated to increasing organ donor awareness and educating transplant recipients. And in 2013, Keith was named one of Las Vegas' Most Intriguing Personalities for his work with the Nevada Donor Network in turning it into the highest producing organ procurement organization in the world.

**Student of the Month:** Green Valley HS

#### Sergeant-at-Arms:

09/11 Caroline Orzes  
08/18 Dave McGovern  
09/25 Melinda Margolis

#### Weekly Bulletin Scribes

09/11 Bob Hulshouser  
09/18 TBA  
09/25 TBA



October 09

## Wedding Anniversaries



David L. Chase  
Sep 25



Darcy A. Dougherty  
Oct 01

## Events

### September 2014

09/11 - Club Meeting: Simon Keith, CEO Simon Keith Foundation

09/18 - Club Meeting: Mary Berkheiser

09/25 - Club Meeting: Wendy Hale, Asst. Principal McCaw Elem. Sch

### October 2014

10/02 - Club Meeting: A Perfect Pairing: Rotary and Community Gala

10/09 - Club Meeting: Club Assembly

# Rotary Recap

**August 14, 2014**

**By Jim Paxton**

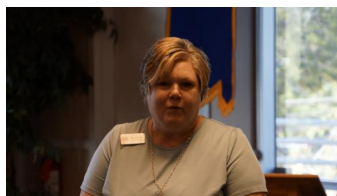
Rotary Club Green Valley (RCGV) President Jack Ewing opened the Thursday morning meeting with the Pledge of allegiance. Sgt. at Arms for the day Jim Paxton introduced our guests including visiting PDG Rampur Viswanath from the Las Vegas club, Bob Dougerty, prospective members Greg Bruce and Jason Helliwell and our speaker Dana Serrata and her colleague Eric Ramirez.

Dave Jochman kicked off announcements by pitching the "Fill The Truck So They Can Read project", encouraging us to all bring him children's books. While searching out kid's books at garage sales, Dave found an irresistible item in the form of Cookie Cop cookie jar that simply had to be purchased and presented to our favorite District Governor.

More announcements came from Susan Johnson, updating us on Wine Club 2014 and The Nevada Rotary Foundation meeting to be held that afternoon. Lauren Robydek said we are approaching the last chance for signups for the Corazon Build Project in Mexico. Jack reminded us of the Rotary Roundup, last Friday at the Claim Jumper, Monday's SOAR Awards, Tuesday's Board of Directors Meeting, and an upcoming Rotary Training "Rotary Basics" session on the 13th at the UNLV law school.

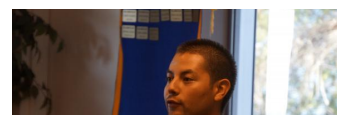
The dynamic duo of Shelia Callum and Melinda Margolis presented our weekly update on the October black tie optional RCGV Gala. Lots of tables have been sold but more sales are needed. Anyone know an auctioneer who could help us out? Auction donations, ads, a set up crew and decorators to assist Lauren are still needed. Congratulations to Caroline Orzes for the most auction items donated to date.

Venerable Past President Jim Frey was Trivia and Fine Master for the day. Newer members learned that our first meeting place was Renata's Supper Club, that our early club presidents had a pattern of leaving or dying in office until Jim took over, and that our first non-charter member was Jon Hoolihan. Early significant club projects included sending an ambulance to Armenia, sponsoring an Ambassadorial Scholar to New Zealand and Larry Skaggs leading a Group Study Exchange to Australia. Jim F. elicited 21 members to contribute Happy Dollars. Notable offerings included Jim Paxton for killing trout, Duane Frizell for surviving Disneyland with his kids, Melinda for making up a meeting in Marquette Michigan, Judy Lloyd for figuring out how to use Skype, and Art Basa for convincing his daughter to move to Las Vegas. Don Havens contributed a definite Dammit Dollar when he told us that our good friend and frequent guest Jeff Horn has been promoted to another position following his long and valued run as principal at Green Valley High School.



Shelia introduced our speaker Dana Serrata, from Helping Hands, a local organization aiding seniors with transportation, food and respite care. Dana pointed out that there are real problems and needs for seniors in our community. Nevada has led the nation in senior suicides for 25 years. Many seniors are trapped

in their own homes due to inadequate public transportation. They cannot find ways to get to needed medical appointments, and 16% simply do not have enough food. Helping Hands provides meals for the elderly. They need volunteers to drive seniors to medical appointments. Most vehicles qualify and even one ride a month can help.



Caregivers for the elderly need breaks, and Helping Hands provides \$1000 respite vouchers to assist. Dana's message was sobering and powerful.



Following the program the meeting closed with Larry Skaggs' plug for Rose Parade Float volunteers and Treasurer Lauren's raffle drawing. Darcy Dougherty held the winning ticket and pulled a card from the deck with a smiling face and a funny hat thereby winning the considerable pot of \$687.00!! Darcy completed a memorable meeting for us by leading a recitation of The 4-Way Test.

## Visiting Rotarians

PDG Rampur Viswanath - Las Vegas

## Guests

Dana Serrata, Guest Speaker from Helping Hands  
Mr. Ramirez, Helping Hands

Bob Dougherty, Guest of Darcy Dougherty  
Jason Helliwell, Guest of Bob Hulshouser  
Gregg Bruce, Guest of Caroline Orzes

## We need your help!



Please begin obtaining silent auction items for our wonderful winemaker dinner and fundraiser.

**October 2, 2014 at Lux at the top of the M**

Please be sure the items have a value of \$25.00 or more

[Here are some ideas](#)

If you are going to assign yourself to a geographic area, please let Shelia know.

For any questions or comments,

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**THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!**