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March 1, 2018

Greeting and Pledge of Allegiance

President Brad Marx rang the bell at 7:11 a.m. welcoming members and guests to the Rotary Club of Green Valley (RCGV). The group then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, led by **Christine Smith**.

Introductions and Announcements

Guests

Lora Evans introduced the following Visiting Rotarians and guests:

Natalie Amhaz, Four-Way Test Competitor
Alexander Balasky, Four-Way Test Competitor
Jackie Carroll, guest of Debbie Mitsch
Tricia Deley, Assistant Principal, Green Valley High School
Ron Gullberg, Visiting Rotarian, Central East Portland Rotary Club
Michelle Poe, guest of Darcy Dougherty

Announcements

Christine Smith announced that RCGV is sponsoring six high school sophomores and juniors to RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Camp on the weekend starting March 16, 2018. **PP Duane Frizell** and **Gerry Holinski** both have sons attending. **Gerry Holinski** and **Terry Perkins** will be facilitators. Ted Durant is a Continent Leader. Great participation in a great event!

PP Duane Frizell provided an update on the fast-approaching Bike Rodeo, scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2018, at Robert Taylor Elementary School. Members and other volunteers can sign-up to help online or on the clipboard circulating at the club meeting. Twenty-two volunteers are needed which will enable us to have the rodeo at two different sites, shortening the service hours needed. If you can help, please contact Duane at dfrizell@gmail.com or **Debbie Mitsch** at debmitsch@yahoo.com.

The club level of the Dan Stover Music Competition will be held Monday, March 5, at the Green Valley High School (GVHS) orchestra room. **Jim Paxton** is expecting ten high school senior contestants to compete. The winner will then proceed to the next level of competition, with the finals held at the Rotary District 5300 Conference in May. Contact Jim at jimpaxton27@gmail.com, if you would like to attend or have questions on the competition.

President Brad announced that a Celebration of Life is scheduled for April 16 at 2:00 p.m. in honor of **Steve Tucker**. Members and guests are encouraged to attend at Palm Mortuary on Eastern. More details forthcoming.

Fundraising Corner



**Don't forget
to feed the pig!**

**Every dollar you place in
the "Polio Pig" goes to polio
eradication.**



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May 25 - 28 Field of Honor at Cornerstone Park.

CELEBRATE

Birthdays

Field of Honor Executive Committee Co-Chair **Mark Roy** provided an update in the absence of **PDG and Chair Larry**, who will be vacationing for five weeks. UNLV will be handling all communications and social media for the event. Sponsorships and flag sales are beginning to come in. **Ted Durant** has appointed himself "task master" and will

Judy Lloyd

March 14

Greg Bruce

March 22

Mike Soden

March 23

Larry Bettis

March 23

Susan Johnson

March 30

Jim Paxton

March 30

Milestone Membership Anniversaries

5 Years:

Jim Paxton

2 Years

Ted Durant

Terry Perkins

*Our meetings are held
every Thursday morning
at 7:00 am at
Wildhorse Golf Club
2100 W Warm Springs Rd.
Henderson, NV 89014*

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be requesting regular updates from all committee chairs. Contact PDG Larry Skaggs at bookmlar@cox.net, Mark Roy at mroy.rotary@gmail.com, Ted Durant at teddurant@centurylink.net, or Terry Perkins at tperkins50@gmail.com with questions.

Program

Four Way Test Speeches

The Four Way Test Speech contest was introduced by Chair **Russ Bowler** with acknowledgement to Jim Frey and Gerry Holinski for their assistance. Both speakers were from Green Valley High School (GVHS) and did an excellent job applying their comments to the Four Way Test and this year's Rotary theme, "Making a Difference."



(l. to r.) Russel Bowler, President Brad Marx, Natalie Amhaz and Alexander Balasky.

Alexander Balasky is a senior and attributes his public speaking success to Scott Ginger, GVHS Speech and Debate coach for the past 17 years. The team has won state for the past eight years. Alex was our Student-of-the-Month in November, 2017, and is personally making a difference by volunteering with "Mathnasium" and at Core Academy, where he tutors students in math. He plans to study law and has been accepted at Georgetown, Boston College, and USC.

Natalie Amhaz was selected as the "winner" and will move on to the next level of competition. Natalie is a sophomore at GVHS and is also on the Speech and Debate team. In her spare time, she enjoys musical arts and computer coding. She plans to study computer programming when she graduates. Good luck, Natalie, we hope to see you in the finals at District Conference in Long Beach!

Fine Master, Trivia, Happy Bucks and Dammit Dollars

PP Mike Peterson "mixed it up" with interesting trivia in honor of National Margarita Day! Several in the group demonstrated their knowledge of the south-of-the-border beverage.

(PDG Larry Skaggs: think about us as you enjoy one or more in Cabo!)

There were many Happy Bucks paid in honor of our students and their wonderful speeches, presented so well.

Several members gave a shout out to **Christine Smith** for gathering over 800 books for local students, and for inviting RCGV Rotarians to her home for a work party over the weekend. The many hands completed the task in less than 30 minutes and then enjoyed wine and snacks as their rewards!

Jim Frey was disappointed but also happy not to be travelling to Reno due to five feet of recent snowfall.

Jay Larsen was happy that several family members completed half and full marathons.

PP Duane was happy to have **Larry Bettis** visit him at his office recently. Larry has been receiving treatment and Thursday mornings are not currently working for him. We miss you, Larry, and hope to see you back soon!

Delinda Crampton was happy to have run a 5K with her kids; and was honored to have participated in a recent Honor Flight recognition for veterans unable to a ceremony travel to Washington DC.

Debbie Mitsch formally introduced **Jackie Carroll** who recently moved to Henderson from California. Jackie is a former Rotarian, Past President, and Paul Harris Fellow. She and her husband, Ron, are now sponsors of the Field of Honor at the "Honor" level.

Darcy Dougherty was delighted to have her guest, Michelle at the meeting; and was happy to have enjoyed her second vacation of the year, a cruise to Mexico.

Was it a happy buck or dammit dollar from **Russ Bowler**, who announced that his son has applied to UNR?

Adjournment

Nate Henderson's number was pulled and he walked away with \$9.00 from the 50/50 pool which now is over \$2,100.00! The group adjourned at 8:15 a.m. after reciting the Four Way Test led by Nate.



March 5: Dan Stover Music Competition

March 8: Oscar Goodman

March 15: Mayor John Lee, North Las Vegas

March 16: Bike Rodeo

March 16 - 18: RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp

April 12: Club Assembly

District 5300

District Conference 2017 - 2018

All aboard the Queen Mary as we set sail May 18 – 20 on a celebration of your accomplishments this Rotary year! Registration is now OPEN!

www.directory-online.com/Rotary/Register4/PaperRegistration.cfm?EventID=77367589

Will there be programs and awards on our District's amazing accomplishments both here and around the world? Of course! Finals for Dan Stover Music and 4-Way Speech contests as well as the Hensel Ethics Essay Contest? You bet! Plus, great food and fellowship! (Wait until you hear about the super-sized hospitality suite!)

We'll have all your favorite District Conference traditions...and so much more!

Fitting our host location, filled with legends of unexplained happenings, Saturday's dinner will conclude with a Murder Mystery play. We've also secured an amazing deal – Sunday's morning meal is the infamous Queen Mary Sunday Brunch, with over 50

unique dishes from around the world. (Conde Nast Traveler names it the No. 1 hotel brunch in the world!) Plus we get entrance 30 minutes before the rest of the ship's guests. After the brunch, we'll re-adjoin to the Queens Salon for a royal roast of Raghada as she awards the Governor's Bell before we send her off to PDG-land.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks, but go, now, and get registered! The full meal package is the best deal. Book your rooms, too, as space is limited! Don't miss a chance to stay on this historic icon with your Rotary family.

And don't miss a chance to show your support, and sell your services, with an ad in the District Conference program. Contact Kathie Martin, Conference Chair kathiesmartin@gmail.com for details.

Rotary International

Nowhere to Turn



Dr. Pia Skarabis-Querfeld treating a patient at a refugee shelter.

As thousands of refugees streamed into Berlin, they strained the health care system. Rotarian and physician Pia Skarabis-Querfeld spent the last three years building a network of volunteer doctors to help those in need.

Learn more: <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotarian-helps-refugees-germany>

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