



# Rotary Club Green Valley Newsletter

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Club Director
- Susan Holland Johnson**  
Rotary Foundation Chair

April 26, 2018

## Greeting and Pledge of Allegiance

**President Brad Marx** called the meeting of the 'Award Winning' Rotary Club of Green Valley to order at 7:13 a.m. **Rob Kravitz** led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Introductions, Announcements and Presentations

### Guests

**VP and Membership Chair Debbie Mitsch** welcomed all guests:

- Jackie Carroll, Guest of Debbie Mitsch
- Rachael Colucci, Silverado High School Student-of-the-Month
- Cindy Dalbour, Guest of Janet Pancoast
- Paul Fagone, Assistant Principal, Silverado High School
- Tracy Leiker, Mother of Rachael Colucci
- Hallie Marx, Daughter of President Brad Marx
- Michele Mortensen, Candidate 3rd Congressional District
- Pilar Bianco, Exchange Student from Argentina
- Jan Tucker, Friend of Rotary
- Christine Zach, Visitor

## THE FOUR WAY TEST of Things We Think, Say and Do:

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL**
- and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Keith Schoenthal, Visiting Rotarian from Rotary Club of Rancho Cotati, Cotati, CA exchanges flags with President Brad. (Photo: Mark Roy)



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

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

## Announcements

**President Brad** asked **Julie Todd** to share her experience at District Assembly. She, **Janet Pancoast**, **Christine Smith** and **Lora Evans** attended. Julie announced that RCGV was highlighted as a club that knows how to run a meeting with its enthusiasm and humor. Everyone feels welcomed. They brought home a poster board of a picture and comments about our club as a keepsake.

### **Field of Honor Info:**

- **Julie Todd** presented new flyers for the Field of Honor and offered to send it to everyone via email.
- **Greg Bruce** distributed sign-up sheets for volunteer opportunities before, during and after the Field of Honor Event. He reminded us that this is an All-Club Event

May 2018



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## CELEBRATE

### Birthdays

May 15

George Baggott

May 27

Jon Hoolihan

### Milestone RCGV Membership Anniversaries

26 Years:

Jon Hoolihan

5 Years:

Darcy Dougherty

3 Year:

Art Macarios

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**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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and encouraged everyone to sign-up for several jobs and times.

- **PDG Larry Skaggs** explained that there is so much to do that even if you are away the weekend of the event, there are phone calls to be made and flags to sell! To volunteer contact **Janet Pancoast** [janet.pancoast@cox.net](mailto:janet.pancoast@cox.net)
- **Please note:** the regular 7:00 a.m. breakfast meeting on Thursday, May 24, will take place at Cornerstone Park so that we may begin setting up for the Field of Honor. Breakfast will be served.
- In lieu of the virtual press conference, UNLV will be sending a press release to all media outlets.

**Jim Paxton** reported that Green Valley HS senior Raja Patel was judged the winner of the regional Southern Nevada Dan Stover Music Competition last Saturday at Henderson's St. Timothy's Episcopal Church.



Raja will advance to the finals coming up at the District Conference in Long Beach next month. The judges are currently attempting to secure a better viola for Raja whom they gave high praise. "This completion could well be Raja's ticket to success" commented his Green Valley Orchestra Instructor Shelly Burger. In past years, the District champion has won \$5,000.

Competitors at the regional Southern Nevada Dan Stover Music Competition. (Photo: Jim Paxton)

**PP and Rotary Foundation Chair Susan Johnson** proudly presented **Ted Durant** with a Paul Harris +6 pin that was made possible through an anonymous donation to the Foundation in his name. Ted thanked the donor for the honor.

She then announced that **Alex Grodzinsky** donated \$1,000 in **Steve Tucker's** name to be used for future teacher mini-grants.



PP and Rotary Chair Susan Johnson presents Ted Durant with his Paul Harris +6 pin. (photo: Mark Roy)

**Gerry Holinski** shared that Project 150 has voiced a need for Top Ramen and energy bars. Please bring them in the first meeting of each month and Gerry will transport them to Project 150.

**Darcy Dougherty** announced that the Debunking Ceremony will take place on June 21st at Revere Country Club. She encouraged everyone to attend to help celebrate our club. Sign ups will start soon.

## **Student-of-the-Month**

**PP Mike Peterson** introduced Rachael Colucci, Student-of-the-Month from Silverado High School. Rachael is a senior with a 4.76 GPA. She is an articulate, hard-working mature young woman who plans to attend UNLV to study nursing or engineering.



Her studies keep her busy but she finds time to run cross country and volunteers at a local hospital. Rachael values honesty and integrity in everything she does and challenges herself every day. Her work ethic will serve her well as she moves on to college life. Silverado High School and RCGV are very proud of Rachael and wish her well in her future endeavors.

## **Trivia and Fines**

**PP Mike Peterson** shared trivia about Hug an Aussie Day. Tracy Leiker won unneeded immunity. Everyone who was tardy lined up to spin the wheel. No Happy Bucks or dammit Dollars today, put them in the pig!!

## **Program**

### **Pilar Bianco, Exchange Student**

**Delinda Crampton** introduced 17 year old exchange student, Pilar Bianco from Argentina, who is living with her family for the next three months. Pilar feels it is a privilege to be an ambassador of her country. She is thankful for the opportunity. She has found it hard to adapt to a new country and has been surprised by dinnertime at 5:30 instead of 10:00, school spirit and fun subjects she can take, diversity of cultures, spicy food and how hot it is here! She had fears of the new language, culture and a new school but tries to step out of her comfort zone. Her favorite new food is turkey. Pilar thanked Rotary International, the Cramptons, her counselors and RCGV for their support.

Being here with exchange students from all over the world, Pilar is excited to have friends when she goes to visit them in their homelands. They will all be heading out on a 31-day train tour around the United States. A fundraiser golf putting tournament will be held on May 6th to raise funds for the trip. Tickets will be \$25 each for dinner and 9 holes of golf. Sponsorships for each hole will be \$50. Many generous Rotarians and guests gave money to Pilar to sponsor multiple holes and as donations.

## **Adjournment**

After the group recited the 4-Way Test, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.



- May 3:** Nevada Energy Presentation  
**May 10:** Clark County Commissioner Jim Gibson  
**May 17:** District Attorney Steve Wolfson  
**May 18 - 20:** District Conference  
**May 24:** Breakfast at Cornerstone Park  
**May 25 - 28:** Field of Honor
- June 2:** Super Build in Otay Mesa - Register now!

## District 5300 News

### GCE Team Update

Green Valley Rotarian, Christine, Smith, joined Southern Nevada Rotarians and the Group. Cultural Exchange team visiting from India for a beautiful day of hiking and picnicking in Valley of Fire. To learn more about Group Cultural Exchange go to

<https://rotarynewsonline.org/group-study-exchanges-back-new-cultural-avatar/>



## Rotary International News

### **May is Youth Service Month**

Rotary's focus in May is on the fifth avenue of service: Youth Service. Youth service comes in many forms throughout the Rotary world. A few of the many youth projects include:

**Youth Exchange**

**Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**

**Interact**

**Rotaract**



Our own Green Valley High School Interact Club (2018) (Photo by Mark Roy)

Read more: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3185/stories/may-is-rotary-s-youth-service-month>

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