



Rotary Club Green Valley Newsletter

Winner of the 2016-2017 District 5300 Governor's Bell Award for Medium-Sized Clubs
A 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

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May 24, 2018

Greeting and Instructions

President Brad Marx called the meeting of the 'Award Winning' Rotary Club of Green Valley to order at 7:21 a.m., after a time for fellowship and breakfast. He greeted visitors, guests and friends and expressed his appreciation for everybody's help. He therhanded it over to **PDG Larry Skaggs** to explain the game plan for the Field of Honor® set up.

PDG Larry shared that the crew on Tuesday had assembled over 500 flags, leaving 300 yet to be done. **PP Mike Peterson, Julie Todd and Terry Perkins** conducted a tutorial on flag assembly. **Dave Jochman** rallied the remaining troops to start field installation.

The meeting was adourned ay 7:29 a.m. so the workday could begin!

District Conference, Long Beach May 18 - 20, 2018

by PP and Foundation Chair Susan Johnson

District 5300 Conference took place May 18-20, 2018 on board the Queen Mary in Long Beach California. At this conference, the Rotary Club of Green Valley earned awards in nine of 10 categories:

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?

- Best Website for medium size club
- Best Newsletter for medium size club
- Gold award, membership
- Gold award, club service
- Gold award, community service
- Gold award, youth service
- Gold award, Foundation
- Silver award, public image
- Silver award, vocational service



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

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



Friday, May 18th, consisted of two breakout sessions, one regarding leadership and what it takes to serve in leadership roles, and the other concerning international projects and Foundation. The day ended with dinner, involving "murder and mayhem." We had an opportunity to meet our Rotary international representative, Forrester "Bo" Darling, and his wife, Patty, and hear the dinners keynote speaker, John T. Capps, past District Governor in North Carolina.

June 2018



CELEBRATE

Birthdays

June 18

Mark Roy

June 29

James Frey

Milestone RCGV Membership Anniversaries

12 Years:

Dave Jochman

7 Years:

Duane Frizell

Don Havins

2 Years:

Mark Roy

Our meetings are held every Thursday morning at 7:00 am at

**Wildhorse Golf Club
2100 W Warm Springs Rd.
Henderson, NV 89014**

www.greenvalleyrotary.org

At breakfast Saturday morning, we heard the speeches of the Four Way Speech contestants including our club's finalist, Natalie Amhaz. She was deemed a finalist, but attending RCGV members believe she won second place. At lunch, we listen to beautiful music from the finalist of the Dan Stover competition. The judges took a very long time to determine the winner. Again, our club's finalist made us proud, although he did not win first place. The dinner and district governor installation took place that evening with me (PP Susan Johnson) acting as mistress of ceremony and featuring "Bo" Darling as the keynote speaker.



The conference ended on Sunday, May 20th, with a fabulous champagne brunch during the closing program.

Inaugural Field of Honor, May 25 - 28

by PDG Larry Skaggs

The comments that I heard throughout the weekend were simple, heart-felt and sincere. "Thanks." "Awesome." "This is incredible."



As the visitors to Cornerstone Park looked across the grass at the 742 flags snapping and popping in the brisk breeze, the overwhelming scene was almost entirely red, white and blue. Row after row, column after column, the flags stretched and strained at their ties to the swaying poles. The colors of American patriotism were fully on display.

Our months of hard work and planning had focused on the four-day Memorial Day weekend. The members of the Rotary Club of Green Valley were finally experiencing the results of countless hours of phone calls, emails, meetings, discussions and dreams. The plan to honor the heroes in our lives through a Field of Honor had been completed.



In rank order, these flags commemorated military members, fallen soldiers, retired service personnel, police officers, fire fighters, paramedics, teachers, parents and friends. Each flag represented the life of an individual who was being recognized as a hero by another.

Fifty-eight additional flags stood slightly apart from the main field. The mood in this area was slightly more subdued. Each one of these flags represented a victim of the senseless 1 October shooting that rocked the Las Vegas valley. 58 victims who randomly became heroes through an outrageous act of violence



We not only met our goals, but we exceeded them in all areas. The end result was a Field of Honor, the likes of nothing ever before seen in Henderson. Hundreds of people, from infants and toddlers, to senior citizens with walkers, canes and artificial limbs visited the field.

Thousands of photographs were taken to commemorate the experience. And as our guests departed they all said, "Thanks." "Awesome." "This is incredible. Every member of our Rotary club deserves the utmost thanks and praise for the hard work and dedication they showed throughout the weekend to touch so many others. One of our goals was to help keep the memories alive; to be sure that others never forget our heroes.



But I also noticed many of the comments were whispered. Emotions often prevented long conversations. Several people walked up to the display with smiles on their faces and left with a tear in their eye. The impact to our visitors was immediate and powerful. But like many other things that happen through Rotary, the people most touched and moved were not necessarily our guests. Often, it was me.



The Rotary Club of Green Valley extends sincere thanks to the City of Henderson, Mayor Debra March, the USO and volunteers, and Wayne Newton for their participation in making this event a success. All funds raised will fund projects helping citizens of Henderson.



- June 1: Rotary Round-up**
- June 7: Cristo Ray High School**
- June 14: UNLV College of Fine Arts & Performing Arts Center**
- June 21: Debunking, 5:30 p.m. Register today on DACdb!**
- June 28: Quarterly Club Assembly**

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Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)
 June 9th
 Ontario, CA.
 Register today!
<http://district5300.org/>

