



District 5300



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Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Newsletter

8/18/20

Presiding:
Conducting:
Rotary Moment/Pledge:
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Mic duty:
Newsletter:

President Jordana Lane
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Fred Fukumoto
Tom Martin (see below or click on “[Photos](#)” at left for pictures at today’s meeting.)
Pres. Jordana!
Obadiah Dogberry, Esq.

We also had a video hookup via Zoom for Rotarians unable to meet in person. Today we were joined virtually by **Ed Guthrie** and a visiting Rotarian, **Jackie Thornhill**.

Click [here](#) for the Zoom link to next week’s meeting on 8/25/20. Please join us virtually if you can’t personally!

Pres. Jordana began the meeting with the announcement of the passing last week of Fred Fukumoto’s mother, Hana Fukumoto. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Fukumoto family. She lived a long productive life and we hope that Fred’s family will be comforted during this difficult time. (What many of you may not know is that Fred’s mom and dad met during World War II when both were internees in the [Manzanar relocation camp](#). Manzanar is the site of one of ten American concentration camps, where more than 120,000 Japanese Americans were incarcerated during World War II from March 1942 to November 1945. In fact, Fred was born at Manzanar. Click [here](#) to read an interesting oral history interview of Hana conducted by a National Park Service Ranger for the Manzanar Oral History Project. The interview was about her experiences growing up in California, graduating from high school, being forced into the Manzanar War

SERVICE ABOVE SELF



The Object of Rotary

THE OBJECT of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say, or do:

- 1) Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2) Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4) Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

AS A ROTARIAN, I will

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- 4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

Relocation Center, spending years there including the experience of meeting her husband, eventually relocating to Chicago, and eventually moving to Las Vegas.)

VISITING ROTARIANS

Jackie Thornhill joined us by Zoom today. She is Assistant Governor for the Las Vegas area Group 14 for 2020-2021 and is visiting to make an important announcement (see below). She served as president of her club, Las Vegas Rotary, during 2019-2020.

GUESTS

Pres. Jordana introduced her guest, the one and only Kaylee Lane. Kaylee is a "Lightning Bolt" student at [Lamping Elementary School](#) and says that she is enjoying her last fling out of the house before school starts next week. An impressive young lady, but that is to be expected, given that her mother is the impressive young president of our club. She says she wants to be a veterinarian some day and attend UC Davis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Pres. Jordana announced that **Cliff Silverstein** has been appointed as a director by the club's board of directors to replace **Shawn Callahan** for the remainder of Shawn's term which ends 6-30-21.

2. Paul Gustilo announced our next Feed the Homeless project on 9/30/20. We will probably handle it that same way we have the past couple of times...buying sandwich box lunches from Belmont's. The cost for 100 boxes is \$5 each. We will pickup and deliver them to the church since the church is still closed and they are not allowing volunteers to come in.

3. Ed Guthrie reported on the recent \$2,500 grant to Opportunity Village to purchase disposable gloves. He said that he received a nice note from Adam Joseph at OV indicating that the grant was very timely as OV is in dire need of gloves inasmuch as they are required to change them so many times during the day as they deal with different clients, etc.

4. Keith Thomas invited everyone to participate in a joint Salvation Army/The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/Zappos/Channel 8 food and school supply distribution on Friday, 8/21 at North Las Vegas City Hall parking lot beginning at 7:00 a.m. They will be distributing 1000 food boxes and 1000 backpacks with school supplies.

5. **Jackie Thornhill** announced (see copy of her presentation below) that District 5300 has received a grant of \$25,000 from RI for a Covid-19 project. The Las Vegas area has been granted \$8,000 of that total given the critical need for food support here. The Las Vegas clubs have decided to partner with "Delivering with Dignity" to deliver prepared meals to people most in need that are housebound.
- a. She is looking for volunteers to help deliver food on "Rotary Food Heroes Day" which will be Tuesday, September 15 with volunteers distributing fully prepared meals between 11 am and 1 pm.
 - b. They are recruiting a minimum of 35 volunteers who will deliver about five meals each within a pretty compressed geographic area.
 - c. Anyone over 18 can volunteer.
 - d. Non Rotary members can volunteer as well. If you wish to double up in a car, that is perfectly okay.
 - e. The deadline to volunteer is Tuesday, September 1 but all are encouraged to get us names and contact information as soon as you can.
 - f. Clubs are encouraged to prepare greeting cards to accompany each meal. You can order them from Rotary if you wish.
 - g. Delivering with Dignity receives the \$8,000 grant for 1,330 meals.
 - h. September 15 will be designated as Rotary Food Heroes Day and we will be promoted by Delivery with Dignity for media coverage.
 - i. If anyone would like to donate personally, each meal cost is \$6.00 and you may do so by visiting their website: [Delivering with Dignity](#)

RECOGNITIONS

Joe Wittenwiler was recognized for his recent birthday which he said he celebrated with a two day "glamping" trip to Utah in their palatial camper. Upon their return he said they continued to celebrate with a nice dinner at [Ferraro's](#) and a visit to the [Neon Boneyard](#) where he said the Hard Rock sign is a real standout sight. He said his wife's birthday is on 8/11 and his is on 8/12 so they have to cut off his wife's celebrations by 9:00 p.m. inasmuch as Joe was born on the east coast and his birthday celebration begins at 12:00 eastern time. Asked if he cuts off at 9 also, he said, oh no, we go right to midnight. Hey, something wrong there! Joe is so young that a \$1/year fine simply wouldn't do, so **Pres. Jordana** hit him with a \$50 recognition.

Francesca Gilbert also celebrated a recent birthday with a visit to the [Mob Museum](#). Upon leaving the museum her kids blindfolded her and she thought they were taking her to a fancy restaurant for dinner. Imagine her surprise when they stopped the car and took off the blindfold to reveal that they were sitting in her own garage. Yup, it was a surprise birthday party and no they didn't have more than fifty people there and yes they socially distanced and yes they wore masks (so far no pictures have surfaced to refute any of this, so we can only assume that they had a nice sedate evening celebrating Francesca's "29th" birthday.) Her fine was a combination of her age and years in Rotary and shan't be mentioned here except to say that \$8.50 of the fine related to her 8 ½ years in Rotary.

GIFTS FOR THE PRESIDENT

None

So, what is the recommended gift this year? JIGSAW PUZZLES! (or “dealer’s choice”, she said.)

JOKE OF THE DAY

None

DRAWING

Fred Fukumoto was the big winner which included the pot from last week.

This year, **Pres. Jordana** has decreed that if there is no outright winner on the first draw, the pot will roll over to the next week. Table pot winners continue as usual.

Blast from the Past (each week I will try to upload pictures or other memorabilia from the past for your viewing pleasure.)

Click [here](#) to see pictures from Melissa’s debunking. For some reason there are two more albums of pictures from her debunking, click [here](#) and [here](#). I don’t know who took pictures that year, but wow there are a lot of them.

PROGRAM

Our program today was presented by Jaime Weller-Lafavor, Chief Administrative Officer for [Boys and Girls Club of Southern Nevada \(jweller-lafavor@bgcsnv.org\)](#). Jaime has over 19 years of experience in the health and human service sector predominately serving in fundraising and executive management roles. In addition to the aforementioned positions, Jaime has also served as the Chief Development Officer at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Nevada and as the Executive Director of Lutheran Social Services of Nevada.

Jaime holds a dual Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Criminal Justice from Northern Arizona University and a Master’s Degree in Social Work from the University of Nevada Las Vegas. She is a 2017 Jameson Fellow and held certification as a Grant Certified Professional (GPC) until 2018.

Additionally, she attended five of seven intensive educational tracks with the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy - Madison Institute.

Service to the community is important and she has served the Nevada Chapter of the Grant Professionals Association as Membership Chair for one year and as the Treasurer for four years. Additionally, she served as a Girl Scout Leader for a total of five years. Additionally, she served for three years as the Corporate Secretary at the Stillpoint Center for Spiritual Development.

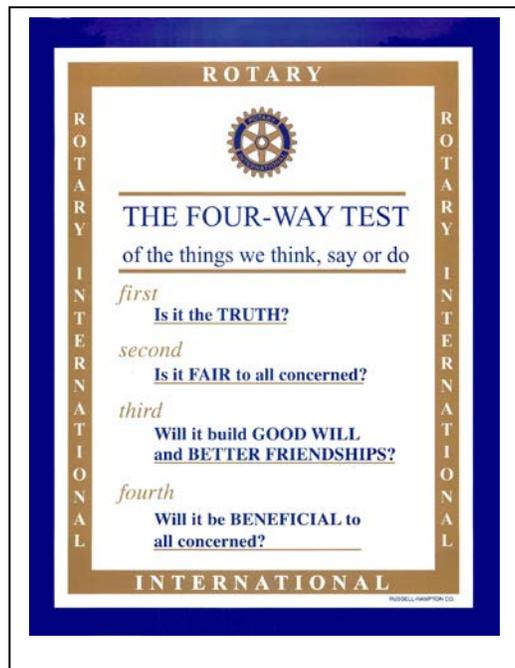
A native of Las Vegas, NV, Jaime, her husband Mark, and their three children live in Las Vegas, NV and enjoy spending much of their free time in the outdoors competing and participating in a variety of sports.

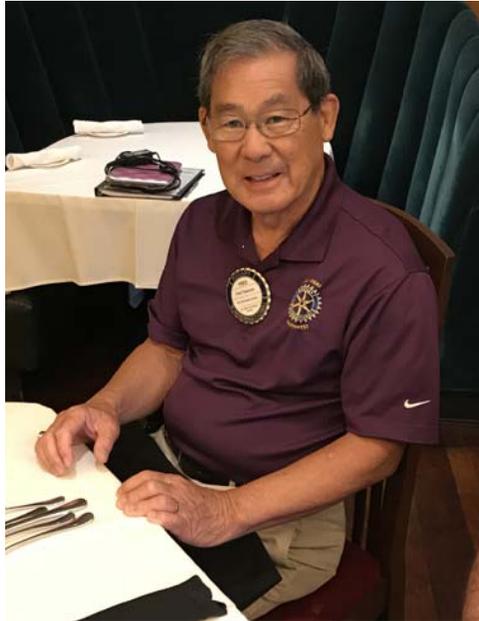
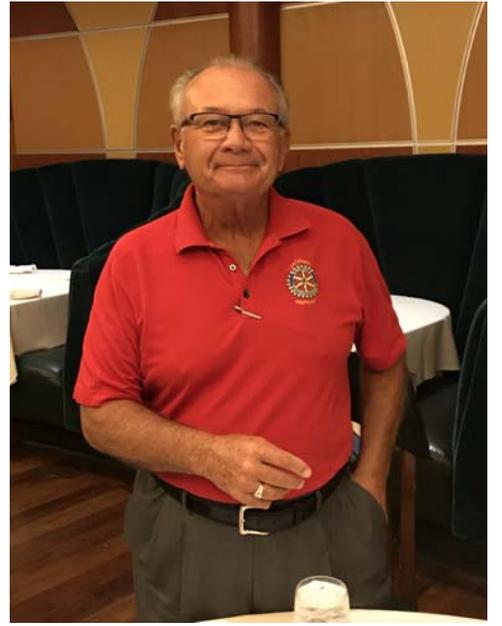
Times have been difficult beginning with the cancellation on 3/17/20 of their biggest fundraiser and the closing of the doors on 3/18/20. 8 of their 15 locations are now reopened and only operating at 50% capacity and serving 2,000 per day compared to the previous 4,000 per day.

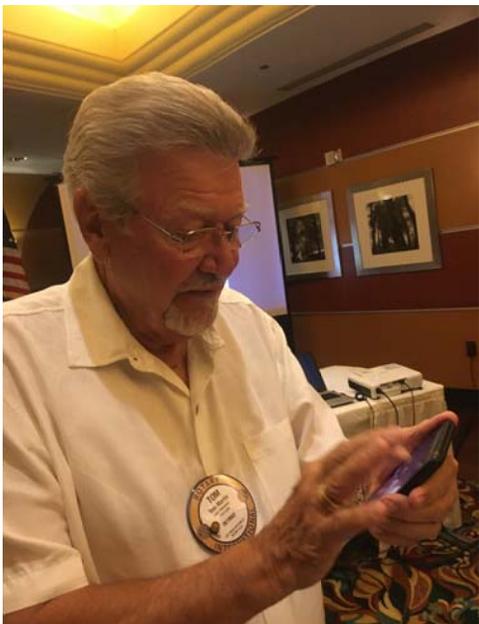
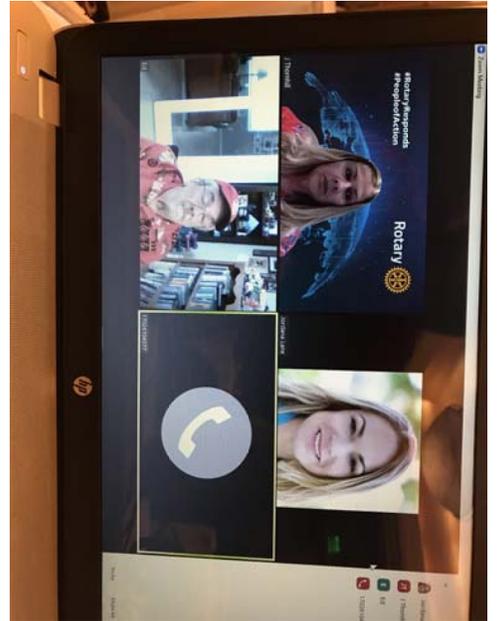
Thanks so much, Jamie, for an informative and interesting presentation. Our club has been a supporter of the BGCSN for many years.

CONCLUSION

We ended the meeting by standing and reciting the Four-Way Test:









Rotary Food Heroes Day

A partnership with Delivering with Dignity



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- Launched on March 23 as an emergency response to the healthcare and economic crisis created by the novel coronavirus
- Grown exponentially in its effort to help the most vulnerable and isolated individuals in Southern Nevada.
- Thrives through partnerships with locally-owned restaurants, leading nonprofit agencies, and private corporations
- Delivers directly to the doorsteps of residents, keeps dozens of restaurant staff employed, and expands to support community facilities, including domestic abuse and homeless shelters.

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“Too many in Las Vegas are facing a food crisis because they are unable to leave their homes due to the risks of contracting COVID-19 and unable to access food delivery services. At the same time, restaurants are struggling to keep their businesses afloat and staff employed.

“The meals we are delivering are made with love by professional culinary staff whose food has now taken on a whole new meaning... building hope in a time of fear and creating connections in a time of isolation.”

- **Cofounder Julie Murray, Chair of the Moonridge Foundation**

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After Hours

Downtown

Green Valley

Henderson

Las Vegas

North

WON

Red Rock

Southwest

Spring Mountain

Summerlin

West

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- RI \$25,000 Covid-19 grant to District 5300
- \$8,000 allocated to Las Vegas metropolitan area
- Must be a single grant to a local Covid-19 enterprise
- Must include a volunteer component
- Should encompass geographic area of all clubs involved
- Must be completed by October
- No individual club financial obligation
- \$8,000 already in bank awaiting completion of grant application
- and approval
- This individual project the result of six weeks of research and collaboration among District Governor Greg and four assistant governors

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- \$8,000 grant will finance more than 1,300 prepared full-course meals
- That comes to about \$6 per meal
- 35 Rotary volunteers among members and friends or family will deliver the meals on a single day.
- Each club is encouraged to recruit five or more volunteers
- Deliveries will be under strict sanitary and health protocols amid Covid 19 protocols
- Volunteers will follow specific delivery maps over approximately two hours
- Each club is encouraged to solicit contributions from members to finance individual meals beyond the RI grant

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More than 124,000 MEALS
have been delivered with dignity by more
than **2,500 VOLUNTEERS**
to “triple threatened” households since
we began on since March 23

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57 JOBS

**have been saved in our independently owned
restaurant partners**

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“The kids and I wanted to send you a quick note to say, THANK YOU AND THE TEAM SO VERY MUCH. These meals have been such an amazing help to our household. I’ve been able to pay two bills, on time, because our dinners were already paid for.

The peace of mind that gives me cannot be measured with any kind of accuracy. I had to have emergency surgery on Monday. The gift you have given us, the relief from constant overthinking and anxiety regarding food insecurity is immeasurable. Thank you again. We are truly blessed and humbled.”

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“ I had my third shift today of Delivering with Dignity and I cannot express how touching it is to see a friendly wave from afar in this surreal time. Although respectful of social distancing, seeing those smiles (from behind glass), makes your heart melt. Thank you for bringing meaning to such a challenging time. I'm so grateful!!”

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“This was a great volunteer experience, especially during these times. The pick-up of food was well put together and the addresses of delivery sites were all close together which made delivering easy.

The most memorable part was seeing the genuine reaction of thankfulness from those we deliver to. Each person seemed to sigh relief when they saw the food at their doorstep. It really made the drive and delivery worthwhile.”

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Rotary Food Heroes Day

Tuesday, September 15

Recruit all volunteers

By Tuesday, September 1

A minimum of 35 needed.

Five meals per volunteer

Can double up in your car.

Must have drivers license and insurance.

You will sign a waiver.

Deliveries at doorstep. No entering homes.

Greeting Cards prepared by members to accompany each meal.

Contact Jackie Thornhill if you wish to have us order

Rotary branded cards for September 1 delivery.

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