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Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Newsletter

11/1/21

Conducting:

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Pres. Jordan Lane

Cliff Silverstein (see attached)

Tom Martin (see below or click on "Photos" at left for pictures at today's meeting.)

Jeanne Radde

Keith Thomas

VISITING ROTARIANS

Gary Powers, our speaker today, is a 25-year member and founding secretary of the [Rotary Club of James River \(Richmond\)](#) in Midlothian, Virginia. Midlothian is a suburb of Richmond, VA.

Judy Lloyd, Valerie Salerno, and Bill Bokelman, all from the [Green Valley Club](#) visited today to sell more tickets to their upcoming fundraiser: "Coffee Tasting and Personal Chef Food Pairing for Up to 10 People in Your Home or at a Location of Your Choice. A chef will prepare a dinner at your home for up to 10 people." (Darcy Dougherty from their club visited last week to sell tickets and only had 9 tickets to sell and she sold every one of them.) Bill emailed your editor the instructions to purchase tickets online and a copy of the email is attached. Thanks so much, Southwest Rotarians, for supporting our sister clubs!



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

GUESTS

Martel Clayton visited today as a guest of her dad, **Tom Martin**. Martel introduced Frank Abbott to our club and even brought him to his first club social. She is a great friend of the club and is a real "chip off the old block"! Martel is always welcome and we hope to continue to see her often.

Eric Colvin invited two guests today; Josh Thomas and Josh's business associate, Eric Hardy. We all know Josh as the son of **Keith Thomas**. (Apparently Josh realizes that it will be easier to borrow money from **Eric** than from **Keith**!) Josh is a Paul Harris Fellow and a frequent attendee at Rotary functions. Welcome, Josh and Eric!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eric Colvin had a couple of announcements:

1. Sean Tanko's much delayed debunking (due to COVID, etc.) has been scheduled for Monday, November 8th, at 6:00 p.m. at Lawry's. We will be dark for lunch and instead meet at 6:00 for the debunking.
2. The winners of the 10/31 Sunday night football pool were:

1st quarter	Eric Colvin (his THIRD time this year!)
2nd quarter	Rebecca Collett
3rd quarter	Eric Colvin (his FOURTH time this year!)
4th quarter	Timmy Dong (The Dong dynasty continues with win number 2 for Timmy. Sammy Dong has also won twice this year.)

Paul Gustilo had the following announcements:

1. "Santa Clothes" is happening on 12/2 and **Pres. Jordana** has committed that we will provide 20 volunteers to help shop for students from Ruby S. Thomas Elementary School. Sign up sheets are in the book which is passed around each meeting. We will be shopping at JC Penny's at Galeria Mall or Grand Canyon Mall or Meadows Mall.
2. He also said that he is in the process of arranging for another delivery of food boxes to front line hospital workers. Details still TBA.
3. The next Feed the Homeless is December 29th and because we still are unable to serve in person, Bruce Pope will again be delivering 50 food boxes from Jason's Deli to Amazing Grace Ministries at Christ Church Episcopal.

Cliff Silverstein reminded the club of the Puerto Vallarta service opportunity. So far, **Keith and Sherrie Thomas, Cliff and Carolyn Silverstein, Joe and Taryn Wittenwiler, and Adrienne Cox and Elliott Cohen**, are signed up.

Here are the details:

Puerto Vallarta, Mexico water project / vacation February 2022.

A 7-day working vacation in sunny PV. February 2 - 9, 2022

ALL COST ARE FOR 2 PERSONS

Estimated cost of trip to include air, hotel, transfer between airport and hotel

** Villa Premiere -adult only- all rooms ocean front w/balcony. \$3500*

** Sheraton Hotel, Club Rooms. \$3300*

** The Sheraton also less expensive rooms (not on club floors). \$2500*

Please note, these are estimated costs. Not until we have a commitment and the information needed below can a cost be confirmed.

As the time gets closer, we will need to firm up any interest you might have regarding this trip. At this time, Kathy Rieser, our travel agent and fellow Rotarian would need the following in order to book air and hotels.

- 1. Full names of each person planning to make the trip. The names must appear as they do on the person's passport. Be sure the passport will have at 6 least months after the return date.*
- 2. Full birthdates- address and phone numbers.*

Please contact Cliff with any questions.

INDUCTIONS

Jack Woodcock did another masterful job inducting two new members into the Rotary Club of Las Vegas Southwest.

Bruce MacKenzie is a former 10-year member of the [Rotary Club of San Jose](#), California which has 450 members. He moved to Las Vegas on March 17, 2020, just as the pandemic started. Once things seemed to be easing a little, he started looking for a new Rotary Club. He works in the hospitality industry and has 2 children, a Navy daughter who is an intelligence analyst at Hickam AFB in Hawaii and a son in Edmund, Oklahoma who is an electrical lineman. Welcome, **Bruce**, we are happy you are here! A copy of his induction presentation is attached.

Frank Abbott is CFO of [LED Light & Power](#), a global supplier of LED technology, and is also a commercial property developer here in town. Welcome, **Frank**, we are happy you are here! A copy of his induction presentation is also attached.

JOKES

Scott Baranoff must have had a joke since he never shows up without one. Regretfully your editor's notes don't contain any indication of a joke. "The palest ink is the best memory" and unfortunately the ink apparently faded along with your editor's memory.

GIFTS FOR THE PRESIDENT

None today.

Pres. Jordana's preferred gift for her second year is "animal slippers" or "flip flops" (size 8 ½).

DRAWING

Pres. Jordana was the big winner today.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Each week I try to upload pictures or other memorabilia from the past for your viewing pleasure. Click [here](#) to see pictures from the 12/12/02 Greenspokes Holiday Social at Joanne Blystone's home.

PROGRAM

Today's program was Gary Powers, Jr. who talked about his father, [Francis Gary Powers](#), whose Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Lockheed [U-2 spy plane](#) was shot down while flying a reconnaissance mission in Soviet Union airspace, causing the 1960 U-2 incident.

Thanks so much for a fascinating presentation!!

Gary was born June 5, 1965, in Burbank, California, and he is the son of Francis Gary and Claudia "Sue" Powers.

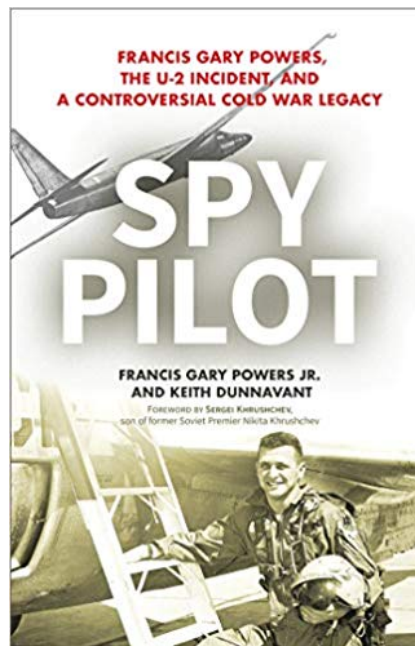
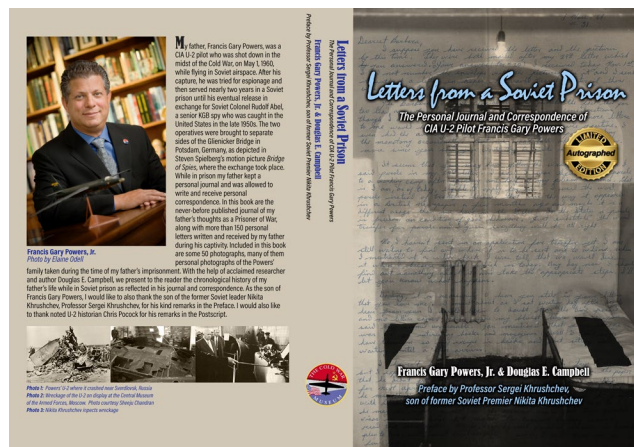
Gary holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Philosophy from California State University, Los Angeles, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration / Certification in Non-profit Management from George Mason University (GMU), Fairfax, Virginia. He will graduate this year with his Master's Degree in U.S. History from Adams State University, Alamosa, CO.

Gary is the Founder and Chairman Emeritus of [The Cold War Museum](#), a 501(c) (3) charity located at Vint Hill, VA 45 minutes west of Washington, DC. He founded the museum in 1996 to honor Cold War veterans, preserve Cold War history, and educate future generations about this time period. As Chairman

of the Presidential Advisory Committee for the Cold War Theme Study he works with the National Park Service and leading Cold War experts to identify historic Cold War sites for commemorating, interpreting, and preservation. Recently, he consulted for a Steven Spielberg Cold War thriller, *Bridge of Spies*, about James Donovan who brokered the 1962 spy exchange between KGB spy Rudolph Abel and CIA U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers, Sr.

Gary is the author of *Letters from a Soviet Prison* (2017) and *Spy Pilot* (2019) which both help to dispel the misinformation surrounding the U-2 Incident. He is a Board Member of the Strategic Air Command and Aerospace Museum near Omaha, NE and an Honorary Board Member of the International Spy Museum in Washington, DC. Because of his efforts to honor Cold War veterans the Junior Chamber of Commerce selected him as one of the “Ten Outstanding Young Americans” for 2002.

Gary lectures internationally and appears regularly on C-SPAN, the History, Discovery, and A&E Channels. He is married and has one son.

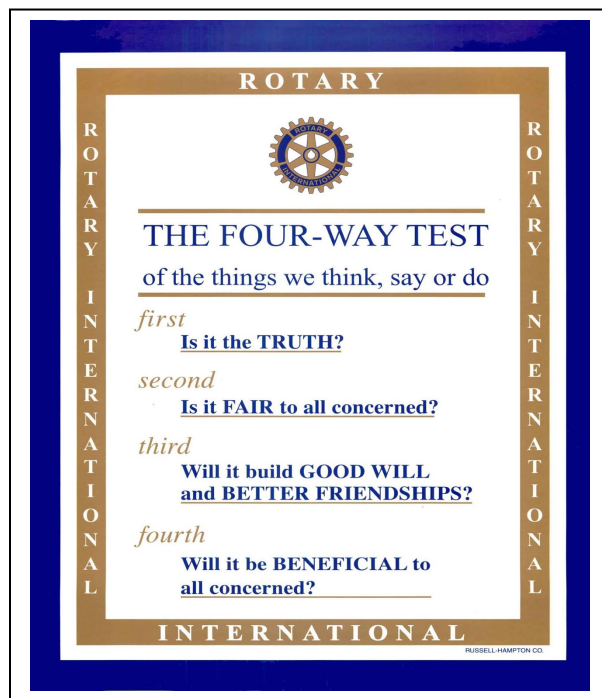


UPCOMING SPEAKERS

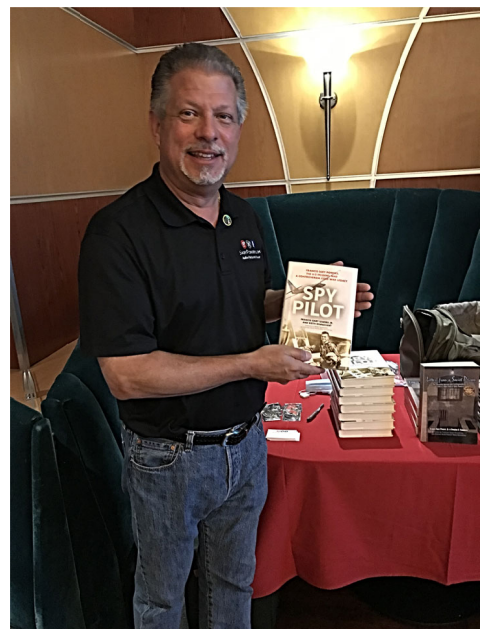
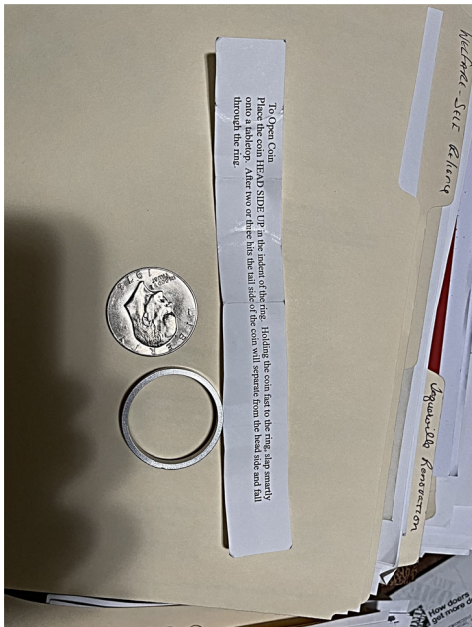
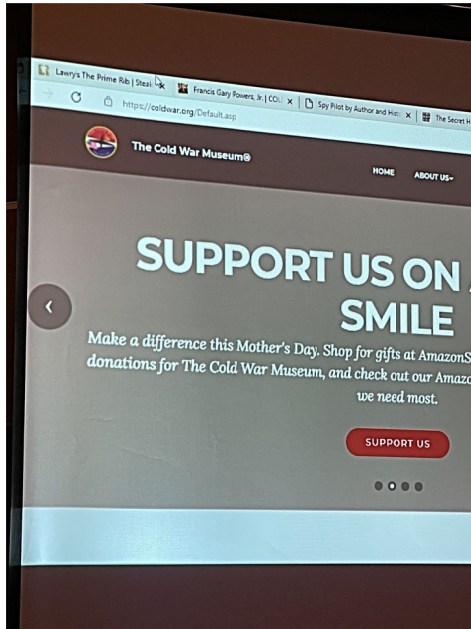
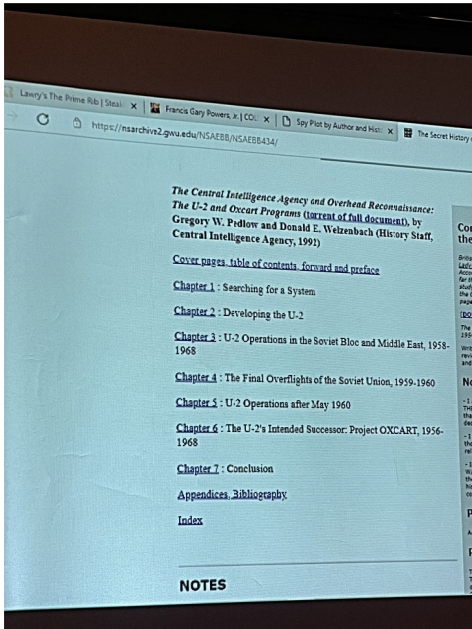
11/8/21	DARK for lunch, however, Sean Tanko's debunking will be at 6:00 p.m. at Lawry's	
11/15/21	Gerard Ramalho	Former Channel 3 news anchor.talking about the state of politics.
11/22/21	DARK--Thanksgiving	
11/29/21	Aldo Martinez, President Las Vegas Realtors	State of the Market

CONCLUSION

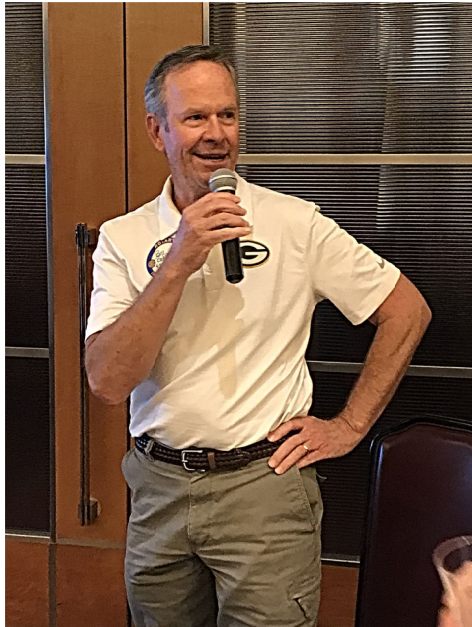
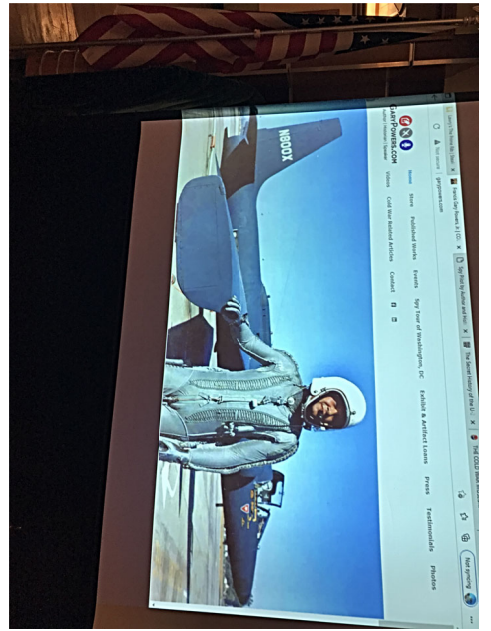
We ended the meeting by standing and reciting the Four-Way Test. (**Rebecca Collett** gifted **Keith Thomas** with a "Four-Way" Test key chain...apparently, she was tired of hearing him stumble over the words every week...you'd think a 30-year+ Rotarian would remember them! And he was just named Rotarian of the Year!!)

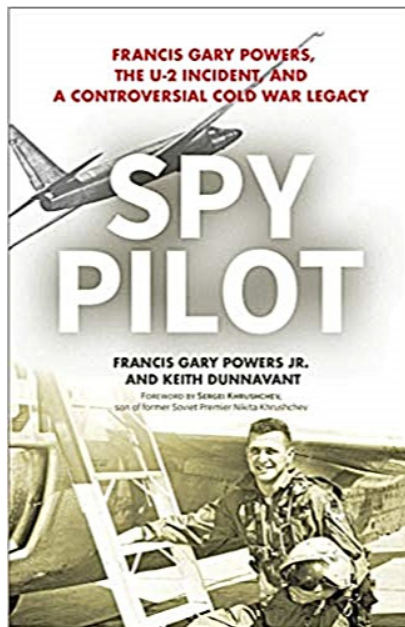
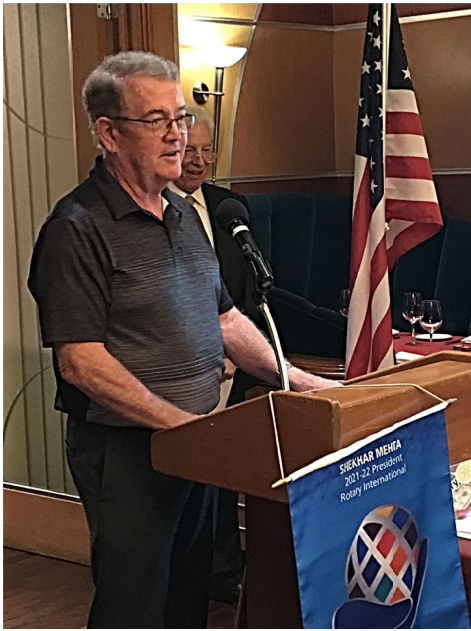


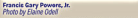




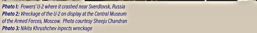








ment. With the help of acclaimed researcher reader the chronological history of my journal and correspondence. As the son of son of the former Soviet leader Nikita and remarks in the Preface. I would also like marks in the Postscript.



Letters from a Soviet Prison

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A father takes his son into the forest, blindfolds him and leaves him alone. He is required to sit on a stump the whole night and not remove the blindfold until the rays of the morning sun shine through it. He cannot cry out for help to anyone. Once he survives the night, he is a MAN. He cannot tell the other boys of this experience, because each lad must come into manhood on his own. The boy is naturally terrified. He can hear all kinds of noises. Wild beasts must surely be all around him. Maybe even some human might do him harm. The wind blew the grass and earth, and shook his stump, but he sat stoically, never removing the blindfold. It would be the only way he could become a man! Finally, after a horrific night the sun appeared and he removed his blindfold. It was then that he discovered his father sitting on the stump next to him. He had been at watch the entire night, protecting his son from harm. We, too, are never alone. Even when we don't know it, God is watching over us, Sitting on the stump beside us. When trouble comes, all we have to do is reach out to Him. If you liked this story, pass it on. If not, you took off your blindfold before dawn. Moral of the story: Just because you can't see God, Doesn't mean He is not there. "For we walk by faith, not by sight!!!



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Rotary Coffee Food Pairing Raffle

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Mon, Nov 1, 2021 at 3:01 PM

To: keithvernthomas@gmail.com, jeanne@advancenv.com, rccollett@hotmail.com

Hi Keith, Rebecca, & Jeanne:

Below is the link for purchasing the raffle tickets. I'm including instructions to try to make it easier. Let me know when you've completed your transaction so I can add your name and phone number to the ticket stubs. Thanks so much for your donation and good luck!

1. Go to the website <https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77559518&NoCaptcha>
2. Select "Guest Purchase a Ticket"
3. Fill in your name and click "Purchase a Ticket"
4. Fill in your email address and cell phone number and select "Continue"
5. Change qty to 0 where there is a 1 on the first row and change the qty to 1 on the second row to get 5 tickets for \$100, then select "Proceed to Verify & Confirm"
6. Select "Proceed to Payment"
7. Select "Pay by Credit Card"
8. Enter the information on the payment screen and select "Submit."

Best regards,

Bill Bokelmann

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BRUCE MACKENZIE (619-750-1918)

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BRUCE WAS BORN IN CHICAGO IN AN AREA MOST OF US WOULD NOT GO INTO IN THE WORLD WE NOW LIVE IN. IT WAS CALLED ISLAND PARK ON THE WEST SIDE. HIS DAD WAS WITH AMERICAN AIRLINES AND TOOK HIS FAMILY TO WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA, HOME OF RICHARD NIXON. HIS DAD WAS ALSO IN THE ARMY AIRCORP AND WAS ABOUT TO BE DEPLOYED WHEN THE WAR ENDED IN 1945. HIS MOM INSTALLED RADIOS IN AIRCRAFT DURING THE WAR. AFTER 5 YEARS IN WHITTIER, THEY MOVED TO PALO ALTO, BOUGHT A HOUSE DESIGNED BY EICHLER. IT WAS 1500/1600 SQFT VERY IDENTIFIABLE FLOOR PLAN WITH 3 BEDROOMS. THEY HAD A SWIM CLUB, AN EARLY VERSION OF AN ASSOCIATION. THE HOUSE IS STILL THERE. WHEN HE VISITED ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO, THE HOMES WERE SELLING FOR \$1.5 MILLION. IT IS THE HOME OF STANFORD AND A LOT OF SMALLER TECH COMPANIES. THE COST OF LIVING THERE HAS CAUSED A MAJOR CHANGE IN THE DEMOGRAPHICS HOWEVER IT IS STILL COMMUTING DISTANCE FROM SAN FRANCISCO. AFTER 2 YEARS HIS DAD WAS TRANSFERRED TO NEW YORK CITY. THEY LIVED IN WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT THE HOME OF

PAUL NEWMAN, PAUL'S WIFE STILL LIVES THERE. THEY THEN BOUGHT 2 ACRES OF LAND IN THE SMALL TOWN OF WILTON, CONNECTICUT AND BUILT A HOUSE. WILTON WAS THE OUTER EDGE OF COMMUTING TO NEW YORK CITY, A ONE HOUR 20 MINUTE TRAIN RIDE. PEOPLE ARE NOW COMMUTING 2 HOURS EACH WAY. WILTON IS WHERE HE WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADUATED IN 1968. HE WAS ACCEPTED AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND HIS GOAL WAS TO BECOME AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER HOWEVER, HE DIDN'T LIKE ENGINEERING AFTER 2 YEARS. HE LEFT CORNELL, GOT INTO THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY AT A HOTEL IN DOWNTOWN ROCHESTER, NEW YORK. HIS CORNELL ROOMMATE WAS THERE IN MEDICAL SCHOOL. AFTER 1-1/2 YEARS HE WAS OFFERED AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP A RESORT IN FIGI THAT WAS ABOUT 35 MILES OUTSIDE OF TOWN ON DIRT ROADS. A LOT OF THE EMPLOYEES WERE FROM AUSTRALIA. HE DID A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING, HAD A PHENOMINAL TIME AND HAD HE STAYED THERE ANY LONGER, HE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE STAYED FOREVER. THE BEACHCOMER WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AND IS NOW A GOLF COURSE AND HAS 150+ ROOMS RIGHT ON THE BEACH. HE LEFT AFTER 6 MONTHS. HE ENDED UP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER AT THE HOTEL SCHOOL A PART OF THE BUSINESS SCHOOL WHICH HE LIKED. HE GOT TO KNOW THE DEAN WELL.

AFTER UNDERGRAD, HE GOT AN MBA IN ANOTHER YEAR. HAVING WORKED IN HOTELS HE ALREADY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE TEACHING. HE GOT STRAIGHT A'S AND THE DEAN CALLED HIM IN TO OFFER HIM A PHD PROGRAM. HE TURNED HIM DOWN. HE WAS THROUGH WITH SCHOOL AND EVEN READING A BOOK FOR A YEAR. SKY CHEFS OPERATED RESTAURANTS AND FOOD SERVICE FOR AIRLINES AND AIRPORTS. HE WORKED FOR THEM FOR 2 YEARS AFTER GRADUATION AND THEN MOVED TO THE NEW YORK CITY CORPORATE OFFICE DOWNTOWN NEXT TO WHERE HIS DAD WORKED. HE THEN COMMUTED (NOT AS FAR AS HIS DAD) FROM YONKERS, 1 MILE AWAY FROM WHERE SON OF SAM LIVED IN YONKERS. HE DIDN'T REALLY LIKE IT BACK THERE AND TRANSFERRED TO PHOENIX AIRPORT AND MANAGED THE RESTAURANTS AND BARS IN THE TERMINAL. THEY WERE GOING TO SEND HIM BACK TO NEW YORK, SO HE DECIDED TO GO TO WORK FOR EAST COAST ATLAS HOTELS IN SAN DIEGO. DURING THIS TIME HE ALSO OPENED A HOTEL IN CABO SAN LUCAS. HIS BOSS ASKED HIM WHAT HE WANTED TO DO NEXT SO HE TOOK OVER THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE OPERATION FOR THE TOWN AND COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER WITH 1000 ROOMS AND MULTIPLE BALLROOMS. IT WAS A BIG OPERATION THAT HE HELPED TO GROW AND EXPAND, THIS WAS IN 1989.

HE THEN HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO RUN THE SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER OWNED BY BALLARD SMITH, WHO WAS MARRIED TO RAY CROC'S DAUGHTER. HE INTERVIEWED WITH THEM AND THEY WANTED A UNIQUE LABOR INTENSIVE RUSSIAN SERVICE, SOMETHING HE WAS FAMILIAR WITH. HE JOINED THEM 6 MONTHS TO A YEAR OFF SITE BEFOR THEY OPENED, HIRED STAFF, AND PLANNED EVERYTHING. HE HAD THREE OF THE MOST STRESSFUL THINGS GOING ON AT THE SAME TIME. OPENING A CONVENTION CENTER, GETTING MARRIED, AND BUYING A NEW HOME. HE HAD MET A WONDERFUL LADY KIM AT TOWN AND COUNTRY, THEY STARTED LIVING TOGETHER, BOUGHT A SMALLER HOME, AND DECIDED TO GET MARRIED. THEY HONEYMOONED IN KONA, HAWAII. HAD A WONDERFUL TIME. HE CAME BACK TO 100 HOUR WEEKS OPENING THE CONVENTION CENTER. IT WAS EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL AND DOUBLED THEIR FIRST YEAR GOALS. HE WAS WITH THE COMPANY 6 YEARS. HE BECAME PART OF CORPORATE AND OTHER OPERATIONS INCLUDING DEL MAR RACETRACK, AND PALM SPRINGS POLO CLUB THAT JUST STARTED. HE STARTED THE COCHELLA CONCERT MUSIC FESTIVAL IN INDIO WITH PEARL JAM. HE ALSO DID A GAY RODEO (THEY WOULD NOT ALLOW PICTURES). EVENTUALLY THE TWO OWNERS GOT INTO A WAR AND SPLIT DIVISIONS. BRUCE LEFT AND ENDED UP WITH A

CATERING COMPANY CALLED "PICNIC PEOPLE" PROVIDING SERVICES THAT ARE STILL THERE. THEY RAN PICNICS IN THE PARKS ALL OVER SAN DIEGO FOR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. THE LARGEST CATERING COMPANY IN TOWN. HE BOUGHT ANOTHER COMPANY CALLED A CATERED AFFAIR. THEY DID VERY WELL. THEY DID THE HARBOR CRUISE BUSINESS, THE MARINE CORP HEAD START PROGRAM, AND MANY OTHERS. ONE STRANGE MORNING ON 9/11, ALL THE CATERING BUSINESSES CLOSED, THE HEAD START ACCOUNT FOR THE MARINES WAS THE ONLY ONE LEFT FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS UNTIL THEY CLOSED THAT ALSO. HIS OLD BOSS CALLED HIM TO DEL MAR AS THE CATERING DIRECTOR. THEY HAD FAIR GROUNDS AND 7 WEEKS OF RACING. HE RAN ALL THE CATERING SIDE OF THE FOOD SERVICE. STEVE WYNN WOULD SHOW UP ALL THE TIME. HE WAS THERE FOR TWO RACING SEASONS AND THEN RECRUITED BY LEVY RESTAURANTS IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. HE AND KIM MOVED TO MILWAUKEE WITH THE TWO KIDS KATIE AND SCOTT WHERE HE RAN AN OLD THEATER FOR A YEAR WHERE JERRY SEINFELD PLAYED ALONG WITH LOTS OF GROUPS. THEN HE HAD A CALL TO GO TO JAKSONVILLE, FLORIDA. HE HAD TO GO IMMEDIATELY! HE BOUGHT A NICE HOUSE OUTSIDE JACKSONVILLE. THE FAMILY MOVED DOWN. THE GUY THAT BROUGHT HIM DOWN LEFT SHORTLY

THEREAFTER, NOT A GOOD SIGN! HE THEN MOVED TO CRANBERRY, PENNSYLVANIA OUTSIDE OF PITTSBURG, NEW HOME OF A CAMPUS FOR NUCLEAR PLANTS. THREE MOVES FOR KIDS IN HIGH SCHOOL NOT GOOD! CONVENTION CENTER DID WELL HOWEVER, THE WEATHER WAS AWFUL. IN ADDITION, CORPORATE AND BRUCE DIDN'T AGREE ON HIS MOVING EXPENSES SO HE WENT BACK TO SAN DIEGO. HE WORKED AT SHERATON HARBOR ISLAND FROM 2008-2009. THE RECESSION HIT AND HE WAS AGAIN LAID OFF. HE GOT A JOB IN SAN JOSE WITH CLUB CORP WHICH OWNS CANYON GATE HERE IN LAS VEGAS. HE WAS THERE FOR 10 YEARS, EXPANDED MEMBERSHIP WHICH WAS CALLED CAPITAL CLUB. THEY WERE BOUGHT OUT BY A PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM. THE COMPANY CHANGED A LOT IN 2019-2020. HE RESIGNED MARCH 17, 2020 THE DAY THE WORLD SHUT DOWN TOTALLY UNRELATED TO COVID. HE ARRIVED IN LAS VEGAS APRIL 1, 2020. THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY BOUGHT A HOME HERE IN LAS VEGAS AS A RETIREMENT HOME AND SETTLED IN THERE. KIM HAD FRIENDS HERE, ACTUALLY SHE HAD GROWN UP HERE. HER DAD AND STEPMOM WERE MUSICIANS. HER DAD, GARY SCOTT, PLAYED 8 WIND INSTRUMENTS AND PLAYED IN SINATRA'S ORCHESTRA. KIM HAD WORKED AT HOME DEPOT EVERY WHERE THEY LIVED SO SHE WENT TO WORK AT HOME DEPOT HERE.

THEIR DAUGHTER, KATIE, HAD JOINED THE NAVY, A SELECT INTELLIGENCE ANALYST. SHE WAS STATIONED IN ITALY FOR 3 YEARS, ON A SHIP ONCE FOR A CRUISE OVER TO CANNES, FRANCE. THEY ANALYZED RECONNAISSANCE PHOTOS. SHE HAS BEEN STATIONED IN JAPAN AND JACKSONVILLE. SHE HAS BEEN IN THE NAVY 8 YEARS. SHE IS CURRENTLY IN HONOLULU, HAWAII SURVEILLING THE CHINESE. SHE WAS PART OF THE GROUP THAT FOUND THE ISLANDS THEY ARE BUILDING IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA.

SCOTT IS NOW IN OKLAHOMA. HE WANTS TO BE A JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN AND WOULD LIKE TO COME BACK TO LAS VEGAS.

BRUCE HAS HAD A YEAR OF NOT DOING MUCH. HE HAS BEEN IN ROTARY FOR 10 YEARS. HE WAS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN SAN DIEGO FOR 3 YEARS. THEY HAVE 450 MEMBERS. THEY ADDED APPROXIMATELY 50 MEMBERS PER YEAR. BRUCE HAS CHOSEN OUR ROTARY CLUB PRIMARILY BECAUSE HE LIKES EVERYONE HE HAS MET AND HE LIKES OUR MEETING TIME.

Frank Abbott (415)722-8223 frankabbott@ledlap.com

Frank was born in San Marino, CA, where he lived until his graduation from USC. He received a degree in business with an emphasis on finance and accounting. Then, he went to work for his grandfather in West Texas on the ranch. They grew crops on 76,000 acres and had 600 employees. This is when Frank got involved in crop cost accounting.

After that, he worked with Arthur Andersen in San Francisco. When he took the job, he thought he would be moving to Los Angeles because of the things the company was saying. However, it didn't work out that way. Frank's wife was from San Francisco. She was delighted to be going home.

Janet and Frank met at USC, the "University of Second Choice" for Janet. She wanted to go to Stanford. Her grandfather, Donald "DJ" Russell, was a trustee there. He was one of the founders of Stanford Research Institute, and a chairman of Southern Pacific Railroad.

He was born in 1900 and spent his whole career at Southern Pacific. He was too tall to fly airplanes for the United States, so he went to Canada and flew planes in World War I.

Needless to say, Frank and Janet enjoyed being part of the grandparents' lives. Louise was Janet's grandma. She lived to be 99 ½. She used to be Frank's Clipping Service. She would clip out articles she thought he would be interested in for years. Frank and Janet have fond memories of her grandparents.

Frank worked for Arthur Andersen for 5 business seasons and had started some real estate development. He was looking for office space, nothing fancy, when he was offered a position he could not turn down. DN&E Walter & Co., founded in San Francisco in 1853, had been in manufacturing and were left with the real estate and securities. Frank became their treasurer. He had been one of their auditors for 4 business seasons, or about 4 ½ years.

They paid his overhead and allowed him to have total control over half of his time. He was there for 7 years. In his second year, he and the president contracted Legionnaires' disease. He died, obviously Frank survived. He then became the executive vice president and basically ran the company for the next 5 years. Because this was taking a lot of his time, he needed to spend time on the real estate development side, so they founded a new company.

They became the partner of the new company, Walter-Abbott Corporation. They hold real estate assets. Their primary function is as landlord. Frank is now the sole shareholder.

Back in 1987, Frank and his brother started a Development Services Company. They developed industrial factory warehouse distribution centers they own and lease. These assets are in Northern and Southern California, Las Vegas, and Dallas. They have 70 different types of tenants. One is the UPS distribution Center in Dallas. One year when developing the project, Frank was able to arrange his schedule so he could attend 43 Rangers games. It was when they had built a brand new stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Along the way, he and Janet had 2 boys and 6 girls. His son Frank III works with the company. His daughter Leslie does the interiors, another daughter Christina works in accounting. They have 7 ½ grandkids, 8 in February. Frank still travels a couple of times a week. He will be starting a new project they are looking at in Austin, TX. They are looking also in Loudin County, Virginia, close to D.C. where a lot of data centers are located. There is a need for “last mile of eCommerce” data facilities.

Their multi-tenant facilities provide dock high loading for spaces as small as 4,000 to 5,000 square feet. About 40% of their spaces have dock high loading. They also have Early Suppression, Fast Response (ESFR) that requires water sources for two loops that allows them to stack above 12 feet and 2 feet below the sprinkler system. This allows them to charge premium rents for space.

Frank is currently working on a project near Post Road and Decatur. They will likely have a final map in December. They are at the end of the flood channel where the county streets run off in their property now. They have designed a

drainage system that conveys all of the water into the Tropicana basin, thereby enabling them to develop the property. About 87% of the water comes into their property from offsite. They are doing some very innovative things in their development, including providing a new approach to WiFi service.

You all have been chosen and elected to membership in the Rotary club of Las Vegas-Southwest because we feel that you are excellent representatives of your business profession in this community and that you have the character qualifications of good Rotarians. Our invitation for you to join us in Rotary is an expression of our good will towards you and our desire for a closer friendship.

Now that you are a Rotarian, you are linked not only with the members of this club, some 50 in number, you are also linked with more than 1.3 Million other business and professional men and women in over 31,000 other rotary clubs in over 167 different countries around the world. This great world group of Rotarians differs in nationality, in language, in custom, religion, and historical and cultural backgrounds, and yet, they are all alike in one respect: all Rotarians, all over the world, are bound together by common ideals – the ideal of wholesome good fellowship and the ideal of unselfish service.

As you learn more of the aims and objects of Rotary, you will read and hear this expression, “service above self.” This is the core, this is the motto, this is the very heart and soul of Rotary.

Most of the people in the world feel that they have achieved success, when, through wealth or position, they can command the services of others; but the

Rotary ideal is that real success and true happiness can best be found in unselfish service rendered to others. Rotary encourages high ethical standards in professional and business life. In this connection, Rotary has adopted what is called the four way test. This test is to be applied to all business transactions and all professional work. The four way test is very simple. It is this:

First: is it the truth?

Second: is it fair to all concerned?

Third: will it build good will and better friendships?

Fourth: will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Rotary clubs do not engage in political debates, or endorse partisan measures or candidates for public office. It is a fine tradition of this group that men and women of all religious faiths, all political parties, and all nationalities can find common ground in Rotary. Here we can meet, become better friends, enjoy good fellowship and find opportunities to render service unto others without thought that our political, religious, or national beliefs may be different.

One of the important requirements of membership in Rotary is faithful attendance at these weekly meetings, or, if you miss a meeting, that you make up at some other Rotary club. The reason for this strong emphasis on attendance is this: under our classification system of membership, a Rotary club is supposed to be a fine mosaic or pattern of the very best in the business or professional life of our community.

You are supposed to exemplify and bring to Rotary the very best of your business or profession, and you are supposed to take back to your business or profession the very best of Rotary, which we feel is its ideal of unselfish service and the four way test.

How can you do that if you are not here? When you miss these weekly meetings, your part of the pattern of Rotary is missing. Also, fellowship is a very important part of Rotary, and we cannot get much fellowship from your empty chair.

As the years go on, you may forget many of the things that you hear in Rotary programs, or that you learn when you read about Rotary, but if you become a dedicated Rotarian, and we firmly believe that you will, you will never forget the many fine friends that you will meet in this club and throughout the Rotary world. We also feel that you will never forget the motto of Rotary – “service above self” – and that you will put it into practice in your business, your profession and your daily life.

A former Rotary international president once said, “Poor indeed is he or she who has nothing to give. You and I have so much to offer; to a friend, our sincerity; to children, our example; to parents, our conduct, to make them proud; to ourselves, conviction and courage; to all men and women, dignity.”

“Giving is living. What is important is how much of ourselves we put into the giving.”

Though he has never been in Rotary before, Frank has had a lot of experience in many categories of life. We will all enjoy learning more about him. Frank is looking forward to participating in the programs we support in our club and the

fellowship he has already started to experience. Let's give Frank a very warm Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Club welcome.

Calendar of Events
Rotary District 5300 - Calendar for Las Vegas Southwest

DATE	TIME	CLUB	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
November - Rotary Foundation Month				
Nov Mon 08 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Dark for Debunking tonight	Dark for Debunking tonight
Nov Mon 08 21	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Debunking of Sean Tanko	Debunking of Sean Tanko at Lawry's starting at 6:00 p.m.
Nov Mon 15 21	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting - Cancelled for November	Board Meeting - no board meeting in November
Nov Mon 15 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Nov Mon 22 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Thanksgiving Holiday	Dark for Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov Mon 29 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
December - Disease Prevention and Treatment Month				
Dec Thu 02 21	08:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Santa Clothes - Ruby Thomas Elementary School	Santa Clothes - Ruby Thomas Elementary School - details to follow
Dec Mon 06 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Dec Mon 13 21	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Dec Mon 13 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Dec Mon 20 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Christmas Holiday	Dark for Christmas Holiday
Dec Mon 27 21	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for New Year's Holiday	Dark for New Year's Holiday
January - Vocational Services Month				
Jan Mon 03 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jan Mon 10 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Club Elections	<u>ARTICLE IV - Meetings</u> Section 1: <i>Annual Meetings.</i> An annual meeting of this club shall be held on the second Monday of December in each year, at which time the election of officers and directors to serve for the ensuing year shall take place.
Jan Mon 17 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Martin Luther King Day	Dark for Martin Luther King Day
Jan Thu 20 22	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Greenspokes at Francesca Gilbert's home- date is tentative	Greenspokes at Francesca Gilbert's home- date is tentative
Jan Thu 20 22	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Club Social	Tentative - Club social evening at Sierra Gold
Jan Mon 24 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Jan Mon 24 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jan Mon 31 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
February - Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month				
Feb Mon 07 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	

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Feb Mon 14 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Sweethearts Luncheon	Valentine's Day - Sweethearts Luncheon
Feb Mon 21 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Presidents Day	Dark for Presidents Day
Feb Mon 28 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Feb Mon 28 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Four Way Speech Contest	Four Way Speech Contest - Fred Fukumoto will be running the meeting.
March - Water and Sanitation Month				
Mar Mon 07 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Mar Mon 14 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Mar Mon 21 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Mar Mon 21 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Dan Stover Music Contest	Dan Stover Music Contest
Mar Mon 28 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
April - Maternal and Child Health Month				
Apr Mon 04 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Apr Mon 11 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Apr Mon 18 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Easter	Dark for Easter
Apr Thu 21 22	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Greenspokes at Bruce Pope's home- date is tentative	Greenspokes at Bruce Pope's home- date is tentative
Apr Mon 25 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Apr Mon 25 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
May - Youth Service Month				
May Mon 02 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
May Mon 09 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
May Mon 16 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
May Mon 16 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
May Mon 23 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
May Fri 27 22	09:00 AM		Field of Honor Field (Flag Sales) 2022	
May Mon 30 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Memorial Day	Dark for Memorial Day
June - Rotary Fellowships Month				
Jun Mon 06 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting - Scholarship Presentations-Fred conducting	Scholarship presentation. Fred Fukumoto will be conducting the meeting.
Jun Mon 13 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Mon 20 22	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Jun Mon 20 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	

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Jun Mon 27 22	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Debunking	Dark for Debunking



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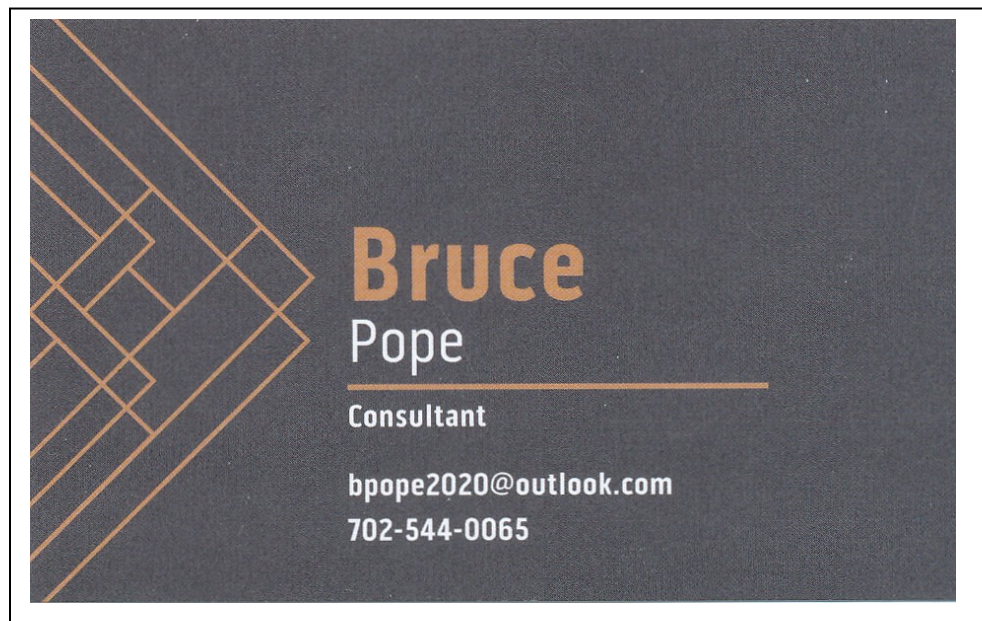
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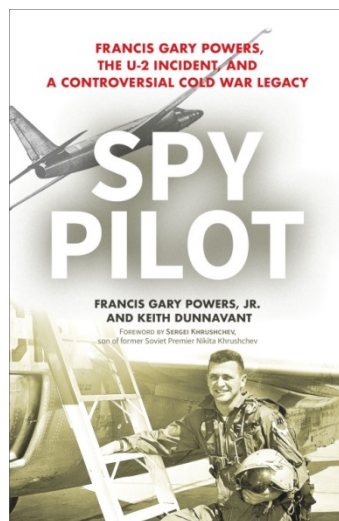
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