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Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Newsletter 4/8/24

Conducting: Joe Wittenwiler
Rotary Moment/Pledge: Keith Thomas

Photos: Tom Martin (see below or click <u>here</u> for pictures)

Mic duty: Bruce Pope

Newsletter: Keith Thomas (the newsletter is posted each week on

our website and on our Facebook page.)

VISITING ROTARIANS

Sylvia Nyesiga joined us today from the Rotary Club of Kiwatule in Kampala, Uganda. She joined Rotary in 2015 and has spent that past two years at UNLV working on her PhD in Public Affairs. She said she is looking for a Rotary home here in Las Vegas and she couldn't have come to a better place than Southwest Rotary. She credits her attendance to **Bruce Pope** who responded to her phone call inquiring about our club. Welcome, Sylvia, we would love to have you join us!



Anne Green is a former member of the Rotary Club of Santa Maria, California and has been involved with an online Rotary Club in Arizona. She is now a regular at our meetings and events and is in the process of becoming a member.



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

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 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
- Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

Evan Campbell is a member of the Las Vegas WON Club and joined us as a guest of Frank Abbott who was on a plane trip to another exotic location and unable to attend.

Evan is a director with Bonneville Real Estate Capital where he brokers commercial loans. He has been a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers for several years and has his real estate license with the state of Nevada.

Frank was assessed a \$5 fine for not showing up with his guest.

Bruce Frazey is a member of the Las Vegas Rotary Club and is a retired CPA. He is in the process of transferring his membership to our club. He has been involved in Rotary since 1985 when he joined the Rotary Club of Wichita, Kansas. Fun fact about Bruce is that he is running for the 4th District Congressional seat. Check out his website here. Welcome, Bruce!





GUESTS

Alexis Baranoff joined us today as a guest of her dad, Scott Baranoff. She recently graduated from medical school at the University of Washington and is on her way to the University of Texas, Austin where she will be doing a residency in pediatric urologic surgery. Alexis has been to our club many times and we enjoy seeing her accomplishing great things. Scott must be a very proud daddy! Welcome, Alexis, it is always good to see you.



Raluca Petre joined us again today. She is from Bucharest, Romania and has lived in Las Vegas for 9 years. She is the office manager for Wave Heating and Cooling and said she came to Las Vegas for the weather and the low taxes. Didn't we all. She last visited our club

in January when she accompanied her sister, **Andreea Vasilescu**, who is a member of the <u>Rotary Club of Bucharest Excelsior</u>, in <u>Bucharest, Romania</u> and who was in town visiting **Raluca**. Welcome, **Raluca**.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Gustilo said that the next "Happy Feet" service project will be on Tuesday, May 7th at Ferron Elementary. Julie (counselor at Ferron) is asking if we can do the 2nd grade plus some special classrooms which would amount to about 150 shoes. This would be the most we've ever done but we have funds in the budget as we've only done one Happy Feet this Rotary year. We would just need to recruit more volunteers for the event. Make sure to sign up in the sign-up book.

Paul also announced that our Interact Club at A-Tech will be holding its closing ceremony for the year on April 23rd and invited as many Rotarians to attend as are able.

Francesa Gilbert, who has been so instrumental on our Christmas season "Santa Coats" project, said that she just received a check for \$187 from our "shopping partner", JCPenney. The check represents a refund of the sales tax. Yea!!

Francesca also reminded everyone that our meeting program next week will be the area "Dan Stover" music contest.

Bruce MacKenzie announced that we had a successful "Kula Hula/Gold Raffle last Thursday (Kula means gold in Hawaiian) and raised over \$20,000. A great big THANK YOU to Kim Mackenzie, Katie Mackenzie, Bruce MacKenzie, Rebecca Collett, Angela Domingo, Jordana Lane, Troy Lochhead, Greg Mottau, Pres. Joe and Taryn Wittenwiler and Melissa and Marshall Brooks for the great decorations and organizing and making sure we had a fun evening. Seth Grabel, a friend of Scott Baranoff's and a talented professional magician, also entertained the guests with table top/sleight of hand magic tricks during the reception. Of course, the highlights of the evening were the hula dancers (see the pictures) and the fun live auction with our own former Southwest Rotarian (and Past President) Vern Ratzlaff who was our auctioneer. We can't say enough about Vern who has volunteered his auctioneer services for lo these many years. He said he is planning on retiring from the "auctioneering" biz (he even brought along a fellow auctioneer to help with the live auction.) Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who attended and bid on the auction items. We also had a lot of guests, including PDG Tom Novotny and DG Mike Soden. CHECK OUT THE PICTURES HERE.

RECOGNITIONS

Pres. Joe thanked everyone who made our Kula Hula so much fun and so successful and bestowed \$100 in Lawry's gift cards on **Bruce MacKenzie**. Thereupon he asked for a show of hands of everyone who wasn't there. No hands were raised until **Chris Publow** "suggested" that **Francesca Gilbert** be asked about her whereabouts that evening. **Francesca** must be a pretty smooth talker because your newsletter editor's notes contain no mention of why she was unable to attend although the notes indicate there was a \$100 fine although it was uncertain whether **Chris** received the fine or if **Francesca** received the fine. **Pres. Joe** said that she missed some pretty good "Mai Tai's" and also some pretty good "hula dancing".

Pres. Joe announced that since we now have three "Bruce's" in the club,he is going to give them each a nickname; **Bruce Pope** is going to be "the Pope", **Bruce Frazey** is going to be "Frazee", and **Bruce MacKenzie** will be "B-Mac". (Not much response from the club members, except that **Frazee** said that "...at least it's not 'crazy'".)

Pres. Joe also said that he had recently received the following invitation from Angela Baker. "Barbara Tabach and our team are busy preparing for our first reception for UNLV Veterans' Voices: We're Listening! The Veterans' Voices Reception on April 24 will be a heartfelt demonstration of our appreciation of the numerous Veterans who have shared their stories during the first two years of our Veterans' Voices: We're Listening project. This event is an opportunity to personally meet those Veterans and say thank you with us. It promises to be a meaningful and inspiring occasion, highlighting the difference we can make when we take the time to listen to our Veterans' experiences. With nearly fifty oral histories already recorded for the collection, we look forward to adding more Veterans. We will be honored to have future narrators and community members join us in this celebration as we salute our participating Veterans. Your presence at this gathering will play a crucial role in acknowledging the incredible and unique value of preserving the oral histories of our Veterans. To RSVP, fill out this Google Form. To learn more about our project or to make a donation, please visit our Veterans' Voices website: Your contribution, regardless of the amount, will showcase your appreciation of the preservation of our local Veterans' experiences. They are our true heroes. Thank you for your ongoing support and interest in the UNLV Veterans' Voices: We're Listening project and our mission to honor the stories of service and sacrifice. We look forward to celebrating with you on April 24!"

Bruce MacKenzie announced that our next Greenspokes meeting will be on Wednesday, May 8th, at his home (apparently **Pres. Joe** was at **Bruce's** home doing some counter "<u>hydroshielding</u>" and "suggested" that it would be a good location for a Greenspokes meeting!) It will begin at 6:00 p.m. and directions will be sent to everyone shortly.

Pres. Joe asked if anyone would like to "spotlight" their business for a \$50 fine. Silence fell over the crowd until someone suggested that **Bruce** had just said nice things about his "hydroshielding" experience and said that perhaps **Pres. Joe** should be the one accepting the fine! Hmmm, your newsletter editor's notes are somewhat lacking at this point.

Eric Colvin announced the results of his "March Madness" NCAA tournament board. Although technically not a "Rotary"-sponsored event, there were a few Rotarian participants and **Keith Thomas** (who always complains that he never wins anything) tied for third place and won the grand sum of \$50, whereupon **Pres. Joe** immediately fined **Keith** the grand sum of \$50 and **Eric** the grand sum of \$100.

GIFTS FOR THE PRESIDENT (Pres. Joe suggests anything "coffee" related)

Paul Gustilo said that he and **Nancy** had visited the Philippines recently and while in Manila came across a local specialty coffee so he picked it up and has been carrying it around in his car for the past couple months (apparently trying to remember to bring it to a meeting!)



JOKES OF THE DAY

Tom Martin told about a woman in labor who suddenly shouted, "Shouldn't! Wouldn't! Couldn't! Didn't! Can't!" "Don't worry," said the doctor, "Those are just contractions."

Scott Baranoff told about a woman who walks into a pharmacy and asks the pharmacist for arsenic. The pharmacist then asks what she needs it for, to which she replies: "I want to use it to poison my husband. The pharmacist says "Ma'am, I cannot give you arsenic for that reason." The woman then pulls a photograph from her purse and hands it to him. It was a picture of two people in bed together; the man in the photo was her husband and the woman was the pharmacist's wife. He then says, "Oh I'm sorry, I didn't realize you had a prescription."

DRAWING

Alexis Baranoff was our winner today.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Can you name this former Southwest Rotarian and his wife (hint...he is a past president and has a middle school named in his honor.)



IN MEMORIAM

Ted Henderson wanted to let everyone know that **Jim Williams**, a longtime member of the NLV club, and a charter member (as was **Ted**) of the University club has passed away. **Jim** and **Marg** moved to Sparks a number of years ago to be closer to their 2 sons and daughter. They passed last year within two months of each other, and their daughter has made arrangements for a memorial service at Christ Church Episcopal on Saturday, April 13, at 1:30. It is informal, dress comfortably, and **Ted** said that he will be proudly wearing a Southwest Rotary polo shirt, as Rotary is how he met **Jim**. Some of our "more seasoned" Rotarians might have known **Jim**. Rotary attire is recommended.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

FULL 2023-2024 CALENDAR ATTACHED BELOW

SPEAKER

Terri Jones, who is the Chair of the Hospitality Management Department at the College of Southern Nevada was our speaker today.

She came to UNLV in 1982 to work on a second baccalaureate degree but was persuaded to do a master's degree. After a short stint at UNLV, she began working at CSN where she has been for the past 30 years.

Since 1971, the College of Southern Nevada has grown to become a leading education institution being the 5th largest college of its type in the country. CSN is a single college, multi-campus community college with 35,000 students, 4 main campuses in Nevada (Cheyenne, Charleston, Henderson, and Mesquite) as well multiple sites and centers across the Las Vegas valley.



CSN is a fully accredited institution offering hundreds of degrees and certificates in 70 academic programs—with 26 degrees and certificates available entirely online.

The College of Southern Nevada has a student-to-faculty ratio of 23 to 1 and offers a variety of clubs, activities, organizations, and sports including baseball, basketball, softball, soccer, and volleyball. The CSN baseball team has brought home a national championship and is a frequent contender in the sport.

Terri said that their culinary arts program is one of the top 10 in the nation.

Thanks so much, **Terri**, for an informative presentation about a great resource in our valley!



CONCLUSION

We concluded with the 4-Way Test.

















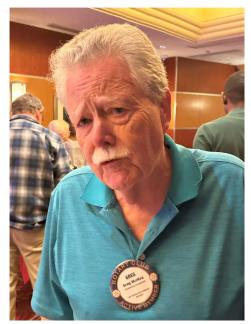










































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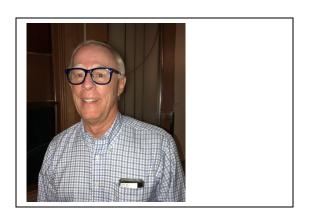
Calendar of Events Rotary District 5300 - Calendar for Las Vegas Southwest

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DATE	TIME	CLUB	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
			April - Materr	nal and Child Health Month
Apr Sat 13 24	08:00 AM		Southern California- Nevada - Parts I and 11- 5300 SoCal	District 5300
Apr Mon 15 24	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Apr Mon 15 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	Regional Dan Stover Music Contest
Apr Mon 22 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	Dave Swallow, RTC of Southern Nevada
Apr Mon 29 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	Speaker - Anastasia Hendrix, Managing Editor - Las Vegas Review Journal
			May - Y	outh Service Month
May Mon 06 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	
May Tue 07 24	08:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Happy Feet	The next "Happy Feet" project will be on May 7 th at Ferron Elementary. Julie (counselor at Ferron) is asking if we can do the 2nd grade plus some special classrooms which would amount to about 150 shoes. This would be the most we've ever done but we have funds in the budget as we've only done one Happy Feet this Rotary year. We would just need to recruit more volunteers for the event. Make sure to sign up in the sign-up book.
May Wed 08 24	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Greenspokes	Greenspokes at The MacKenzie's home.
May Sat 11 24	08:00 AM		RLI - Southern California- Nevada - Part I, II, III - 5330	District 5330 Parts I, II & III \$30.00 Beaumont Presbyterian Church 702 Euclid Avenue Beaumont, CA 92223

DATE	TIME	CLUB	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
				8:00 am - 3:30 pm
May Mon 13 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	
May Sat 18 24	10:00 AM		2024-25 DTA And Foundation Gala - One Day Event	Sheraton Fairplex Hotel & Conference Center 601 W Mckinley Avenue Pomona, CA, 91768
May Mon 20 24	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Board Meeting	Board Meeting
May Mon 20 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	
May Mon 27 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	DARK FOR MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
May Wed 29 24	04:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Feed the Homeless	Feed the Homeless and clothing giveaway at <u>Amazing Grace</u> <u>Ministries</u> at <u>Christ Church Episcopal</u> on <u>Maryland Parkway</u> For the history of our involvement with FTH at AGM at CCE on MP, click <u>here</u> .
				tary Fellowships Month
Jun Sat 01 24	08:00 AM		Southern California- Nevada - Part I - 5300 SoCal	
Jun Sat 01 24	09:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Board Retreat for Bruce MacKenzie's year	Board Retreat for Bruce MacKenzie's year. Multi club picnic - 8 to 2 p.m. Location TBA
Jun Mon 03 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Meeting	
Jun Mon 10 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Tue 11 24	07:30 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Happy Feet	Happy Feet
Jun Mon 17 24	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Board Meeting	Board Meeting
Jun Mon 17 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Fri 21 24	04:00 PM		DC 24 Cruise to Service, June 21-24	

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			(Registration Form)	
Jun Mon 24 24	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Las Vegas Southwest Weekly Club Meeting	Dark for Debunking on 6/27/23
Jun Thu 27 24	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Debunking	
Jun Sun 30 24	08:00 AM		Join the Polio Plus Society	









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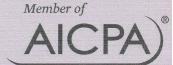
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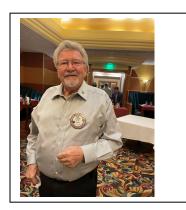
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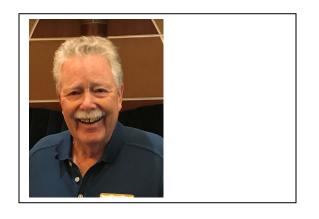
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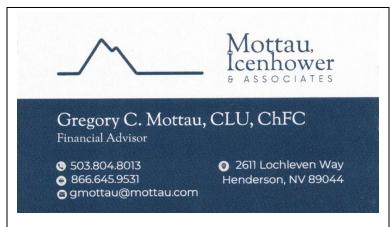
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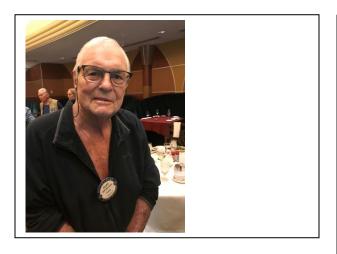




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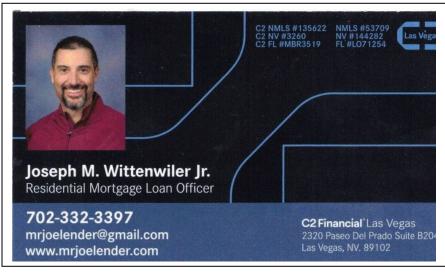
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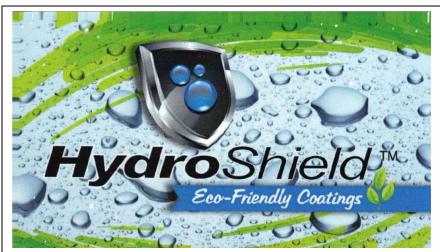
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