Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Club

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The 4-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?**

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Invocation and Pledge:	De Witt Paul
Introduction of Guests:	Joanne Jackson
Mister Mike:	Bill Goff
Menu:	Chicken Alfredo on pasta, Caesar's salad, vegetables, French bread, cheesecake.
Mystery Greeter:	(Hmmm…it was a mystery who the greeter was…since both Hank Falstad and Jeff Bills claimed to be the mystery greeter…Hank said he shook everyone's hand and Jeff only missed only one…Hank's!…so, of course, Hank was tagged with a $25 recognition!)
Weekly Drawing Winner:	Dayton Blaine (doesn't he win every week…oh well, he'll need it to pay off all those football bets this year☺)
Visiting Rotarians:	Jessie Ripple from Ithaca, New York: Classification-Education Richard Rademacher from Arden Hills Club in Shoreville, MN: Classification-Education Administration.
Guest:	Stephen Zaiss: guest of John Zaiss. Stephen, a student at Meadows, was queried about his fishing prowess at a certain northern state cabin. He professed no knowledge of said activity. Hmmmm…could said descriptions previously provided to the President have been a ruse to explain certain meeting absences????)
Announcements:	Joe Byer Joe announced that our next "Feed the Homeless" hands-on project will be on September 15th. We need at least 20 volunteers to bring lasagnas, cookies, salad, breadsticks, etc. We will also be doing a clothing and cosmetics/sundries drive. Bring any items the night of the event or to the the Rotary meeting on 9/13. The signup sheet is going around and an e-mail will be sent to all members shortly about the event.

De Paul
(Or is it Dee Paul…is it just me, or did De/Dee appear more clean shaven today than usual?)

Our first Happy Feet "shoeing" will be at Ruby Thomas Elementary School on Wednesday, September 15th.

Joanne Jackson
We are still looking for 2 more RYLA participants…if you know of any, get in touch with Joanne. We are sending 4 this year.

Eric Colvin
Eric reminded everyone of the UNLV/UNR tailgate party which will be on October 2nd.

Fred Fukumoto
Fred announced that our "Back to School" shopping trip will be August 26th, at 9:00 a.m. at the Galeria Mall J.C. Penny store. This year we will be buying clothes for 5 boys and 5 girls in grades k-4. We need 15 volunteers. Contact Fred or he will contact you!

Adrienne Cox
Adrienne passed along best wishes from Marshall. He is feeling a little better but still is having some "ups and downs". Get well soon Marshall!

She also brought our attention to the new photo displays; courtesy of Tom Masterson, Venicia Considine, and one other person whose name escaped my note taking. Perhaps our magnanimous President will forgive this writer for such an error…wait a minute; she won't be there next week…I can write anything I want!)

Adrienne also indicated that DG Roy York is looking for 1 candidate for the Rotary Peace Scholarhip. Check out the RI website www.rotary.org for more information.

She also reminded us about the letter writing campaign for a Rotary postage stamp (hey, how about the following web site http://photo.stamps.com/)

To a stunned, disbelieving audience, Adrienne announced that she would not be at Rotary next week. How, we wondered, will we be able to get through the meeting (particularly if the immediate past president runs the meeting)? It was only when she announced that President-elect Gary Chase would be running the meeting, that a great sigh of relief was heard. Where will she be? Accompanying Elliot to his high school reunion – his 25th!……..ok, it will be his "second" 25th reunion).

Adrienne then indicated that she had received some postcards but that the senders were absent and would be recognized severely when they did show up!!! Ok, I'm kidding about the severely part.

Then she passed out 4 perfect attendance awards (to people who were absent when the awards were granted last week but who finally showed up):

Mike McCandless
Doug Malan
Susan Klassen
Joanne Jackson

Recognitions:

Mike McCandless - $200 for the new McCandless International billboard along I-15; said billboard being larger than the State of Minnesota. When queried about the success of such advertising, he indicated that all was going well and that it is real hard to mess up when "**you know who**" is around. Whereupon $100 was assessed to "**you know who**".

Bill Goff - $50 (later increased to $75) for certain lascivious postcards which he hand carried from N'Arlins (apparently the post office would not accept them!). He did, however, bring a lovely "Boa" that perfectly complemented the official Rotary wardrobe worn by our lovely President. **Past President Robbie Graham**, upon being questioned as to its "appropriateness", would only say "it's you." (Left unexplained was the provenance of said "Boa" and the use to which it has previously been put…after all, he was in "N'Arlins".) Bill (who previously has resided in said city) then described his trip which included a visit to the local D-Day Museum, which included exhibitions honoring those women who did so much help in the war effort by keeping planes flying, selling war bonds, and more (in fact, this writer's mother was one of the "Rosie the Riveters"!)

Andy Katz – Recognized $75 for questioning the proper pronunciation of the city visited by Mr. Goff; also for taking credit for the periodic job-outlook publication which apparently is not penned personally by Andy and instead comes from "..the home office!) (Don'tcha just love all the alliteration!)

Vern Ratzlaff – Recognized $150 for his efforts to change the name of Zion National Park to "Canyon Ridge West" (seems he thinks it will add to the appeal of his "Quarter Circle H Ranch" project (240 acres!) which is located on the back side of Zion (in the Orderville vicinity.)

Rick Colvin - $150 for his recent trip to his ranch in Ely (where he grew up and where he is going to put a double wide trailer to stay in on his weekend trips…he also said something about a 14 year old quarter horse mare but my notes must

be incomplete)…but mostly he was recognized because when he was called upon by our lovely President, he responded with "Yo, Adrienne…"

Scott Baranoff - $125 later increased to $150 because upon being called upon he congratulated our lovely President on her "adequate" job so far and then later repeating the "adequate" job description – we all know, of course, that her job has been "far more than adequate"…and for his vivid (but very limited) description of the ABC television series "The Batchelor" which just wrapped its shooting season and which was largely filmed in his house and on his boat…no, he wasn't "The Batchelor". Remember when we had Greenspokes at his house last year and his neighbor showed up with a "memorable" friend?? Well, it is that neighbor who was the reason for the filming at Scott's. The premiere will be September 22nd in New York and ABC is flying Scott back there in the corporate jet. (Now, what was the URL of the "memorable" friend…I forgot.)

Ralph Cadwallader - $75 for being the only person in Nevada who is registered as an "Independent"…ok, that wasn't the reason…but he did say that he is an officially registered Independent…whereupon Randy Capurro invited Ralph to meet with him immediately after the meeting. Actually, Ralph was recognized for his conversation with a certain unnamed presidential candidate who visited Cadwallader Middle School last week and who invited Patricia to sit on the podium immediately behind said unnamed candidate thus allowing her to get more "TV exposure" than just about anyone. Said candidate did his homework, however, because when he thanked Carlos Garcia and Ralph for letting him use "their" school, said candidate indicated that Ralph must be a good guy, "…after all, we are both graduates of Boston College.

Karen Strawn - $100 for her recent trip to Hawaii (just a short four day jaunt, she said). She didn't say where she went while she was there, just "Hawaii". Good thing she didn't stay any longer.

Gary Crowe – Fined again (last week, it was for his "39th" birthday) despite his comments that he was "…delighted to be here and did I tell you that you are delightful!" – this time $100 for spending 10 days at the beach in his "double wide trailer" which is located somewhere where he gets "…sand in his toes". Now, I don't know about you, but the description of his place on the beach as a "double wide trailer" just might not pass the 4-Way Test.

Bryan Dziedziak (pronounced "dziedziak") - $100 recognition because apparently he isn't poor enough already seeing as he has two kids in college (Dan a senior at Northern AZ, and Zach a junior at Columbia) He was congratulated, however, for his wisdom in marrying "up" (one of the few things that us guys do right!)

Keith Thomas - $50 despite his many eleemosynary efforts the past week and despite his volunteering to help on any and all future Rotary projects and despite his prodigious protestations that his position as a perennial "pauper" prohibited any pecuniary recognition…but, mostly because he was the bulletin editor last week and messed up on District Governor Roy York's home club which is the **LAS VEGAS FREMONT CLUB** not the Las Vegas Central Club. But then, any club would be happy and proud to claim Roy as a member of their club!!!!

PROGRAM

Candlelighters for Childhood Cancer 737-1919. www.candlelightersnv.org

A diagnosis of childhood cancer is devastating for the family. Childhood cancer is treated aggressively, often with a combination of chemotherapy, radiation, and surgery, at a time of life when bodies are growing and developing. Treatment has a significant long-term impact on children's' endocrine, heart, and cognitive functions. Additionally, parents of children with cancer are often young, have a limited income, and they have other children. One parent often needs to give up a job to take care of their child being treated for cancer.

The needs are great, and Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation is a primary provider of essential programs and services required by families of children with cancer.

Families whose children are diagnosed with cancer, who have financial constraints and are in need of these valuable resources are encouraged to contact Candlelighters. Several informative books are available to families in need without charge.

The Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation National Office was founded in 1970 by concerned parents of children with cancer. Today the membership of over 43,000 includes:

- Parents of children who are being treated or have been treated for cancer
- Children with cancer and Survivors of childhood cancer
- Immediate or extended family members
- Bereaved families
- Health care professionals and Educators
  - Each day, 46 children are diagnosed with cancer
  - One in 330 children will develop cancer by age 20
  - Although cure rates are steadily increasing, 35% of children will die
  - Cancer remains the number one disease killer of children; more than genetic anomalies, cystic fibrosis, and AIDS combined

(Hmmm…Z-a-i-s-s-…that name sounds familiar…)

Stephen: “He’s the best dad in the whole wide world…”

Dad: (zzzzzzzzzzzzz)

(These guys think Vegas is so fun…bet they've never been to Ithaca!)

“Have you seen the latest pictures of my grandchildren? No?? I’ll email them to you.”

(Let’s see, what am I supposed to say…….)

Dee: (How do you like my “clean” face?)
Tom: (Let’s see, Bruce owes me…….)
Gary: (Let’s see, Bruce owes me…….)

Adrienne: (Somebody better say something about my new Rotary duds…)
Mike: (I'd better sign "you know who" up for another tournament…then, its PARTY time…)
Susan: (Something looks different on Adrienne…)
Doug: (Hey, Adrienne, nice hairdo…)
Joanne: (Hey, where am I…)

Adrienne: “So I smacked Elliot upside the head and said, “I’m in charge here…”

Mike: (No way I’d do that…“you know who” is bigger than I am…)

Adrienne: “Well, I think it goes really well with my new Rotary duds…”

Bill: (Just wait til debunking,…)

“Ok, so my pants are unzipped…”

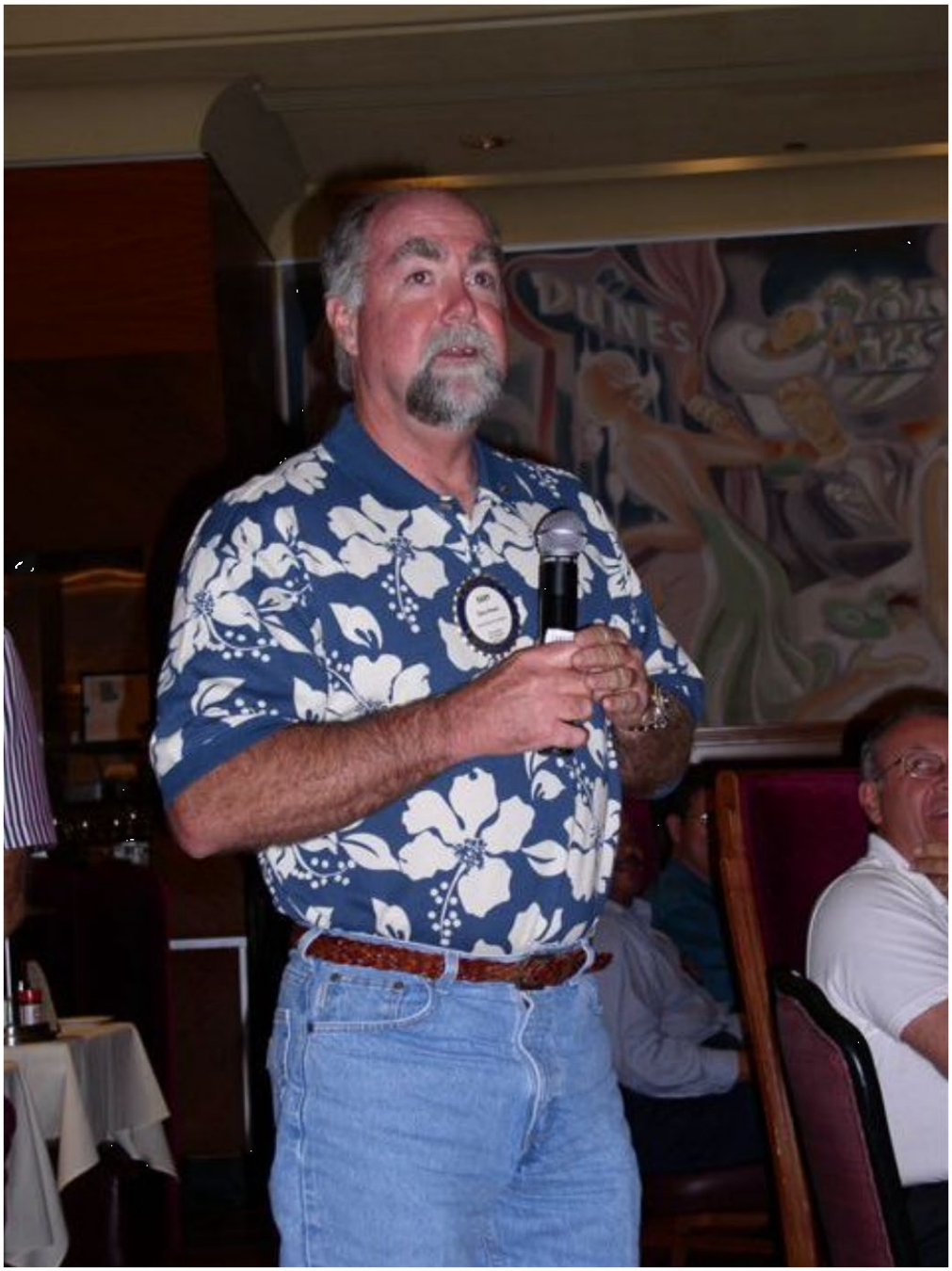
“I think Vern’s National Park has a nice ring to it!”

“Ely is just a bit north of, well, let’s see, I guess its north of just about everywhere!”

“One bachelor, 25 women…the bachelor keeps one and the rest have to go somewhere…so I made this deal with ABC…”

“So I said to Senator Kerry, you think you’re tough, check out these big ‘guns’!”

Karen: “The women are in control here.”
Ralph: (zzzzzzzzzzzzzzz)
Doug: (I’m going back to Kalispell where women know their place!)



“One of these days maybe someone will notice I only have half my beard left.”

Bryan: “Now when I was president……”
Vern: (Let’s see, is it flaps up on takeoff or flaps down???)

Keith: “Madame President, I’ve lost 20 pounds.”
Adrienne: “Look behind you, you’ll find it!”