

September 22, 2016

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THE ROTARIAN



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?

MAKE-UP DAYS AND PLACES				
Monday	Southwest	Lawry's Prime Rib	12:15 p.m.	
Tuesday	Las Vegas Summerlin	TPC Club House	7:15 a.m.	
Tuesday	Downtown	Hugo's (Four Queens Hotel)	12:15 p.m.	
Tuesday	Henderson	McCaw School of Mines, 575 Lynn Lane	Noon	
Tuesday	Mesquite	Oasis Club House	Noon	
Tuesday	Las Vegas West	Canyon Gate Country Club	12:15 p.m.	
Tuesday	Red Rock Rotary	No Regrets Bar (8349 W Sunset Rd #150)	6:00 p.m.	
Wednesday	Pahrump Valley	Mountain Falls Grill Room	6:00 p.m.	
Wednesday	Boulder City	Boulder Creek Golf Course	Noon	
Wednesday	Moapa	Old Overton Gym	6:30 a.m.	
Wednesday	Las Vegas Central	Las Vegas Country Club	12:15 p.m.	
Wednesday	LV Spring Mountains	Siena Bistro, Siena Golf Club	5:30p.m.	
		Town Center Drive south of Flamingo		
Thursday	Boulder City Sunrise	Boulder Creek Golf Course	7:00 a.m.	
Thursday	Green Valley	Wildhorse Golf Club	7:00 a.m.	
Thursday	Las Vegas Rotary	Lawry's Prime Rib	Noon	
Thursday	Mesquite Sunrise	Oasis Golf Course (Red Room)	7:30 a.m.	
Friday	North Las Vegas	Los Prados Country Club	7:15 a.m.	
		Off Lone Mtn. hetw. Decatur & Jones		

Las Vegas "Won" club meets the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Friday of the month at 5:00pm at Fogo de Chao and the 2nd Friday at 12:00pm at 360 E. Flamingo.

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Rotary.org - Rotary International District 5300.org - District 5300 Site www.LasVegasRotary.com - Our Club Site



Rotary At A Glance

Rotarians Members - 1,207,102; Clubs - 34,823; Districts - 538; Countries - 200+;

Rotaractors Clubs - 7,868; Members - 180,964; Countries - 162

Interact Clubs - 18,005; Members - 414,115; Countries - 132



Emest Williams Nevada Test Site



Born 20 Dec 1930 – Nebraska 1945 - 1949 – Attended Naponee High School 1951 - 1955 – Staff Sergeant, US Air Force – Korea War Veteran

USAF Special Weapons Projects (AFSWP)
Assembly & disassembly of Nuclear Devices
Financial Payroll Representative – 600 officers USAF,
Nellis AFB, NV

10 Jan 1955 - Honorably discharged from USAF

17 Jan 1955 – US Atomic Energy Commission – Federal Employment

1955 - Assigned to Engineering Division, NV Proving Grounds

1955 - 1958 - Office Manager, Enewetok Atoll, Marshall Islands

1958 - 1960 - Accountant, Finance Division, Albuquerque, NM

1960 - 1962 - Chief, General Ledger Section, Finance Division

1963 - 1966 - Assistant Administrative Officer, Test Division, NTS

1966 - 1983 - Planning Analyst, NTSSO & Budget Analyst, Planning & Budget Division, NV Operations Office

1983 - 1986 – Budget Officer (Comptroller 1.5 billion dollars)

1 Aug 1986 – Retired from Department of Energy (34 ½ years)

1986 - 1990 - Public Relations Officer - Reeco contractor to DoE

1990 - 1992 – Senior Verification Representative Coordinator, Engineer Specialist

Treaty between United States and Russia working for Raytheon (Verification of Nuclear Tests at NTS not to exceed 150 kilotons)

Threshold Test Ban Treaty signed June 1990 by USA & Russia

1993 – AWARD OF EXCELLENCE – Nuclear Weapons Program , DoE

Sept 2007 – Received a NV Congressional Recognition

1986 - 2015 – Senior Public Relations Representative - 29 years 2007 – 2015 – National Security Technology LLC, counterterrorism

64 years in Nuclear Weapons Program for the United States Member of the Naponee Hicks-Siegel American Legion Post 0364

Member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10047 (lifetime member)

Las Vegas Rotary Club Mission:

Teaching Youth to Succeed through Literacy, Education & Life Skills Development





TODAY'S PROGRAM

ERNEST WILLIAMS

CALENDAR

SCRIBE

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

WINE TO WATER

ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a leadership organization of local business, professional and civic leaders. We meet regularly to form friendships and work together to improve the local and international community



David H. Thorson
President 2016-2017

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Secretary
Treasurer

Mary Ann Avnet
Deb Granda
Tom Brooker

ELECTED DIRECTORS
Kirk Alexander
Gina Gentleman
Deb Granda
Janice Lencke
Dave Lester
Anil Melnik
Melanie Muldowney
Carolyn Sparks
Robert Telles
Past President Representative

Russ Swain





MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Rotarians.

We start the first day of fall today with a "bang", as it were, with a presentation about the Nevada Test Site. This conversation is of particular interest to me for a number of reasons. On the personal side, I lived in Hiroshima, Japan for about two and half years and my wife is from there. I had the opportunity to go to the Peace Museum (what they call the museum about the atomic bombing) several times and have also attended Toro Nagashi, a ceremony held on each anniversary of the bombing where 10,000 + paper and candle lanterns are floated down the local river to commemorate those lost.

As an additional twist, my stepfather was a Chief in the U.S. Navy during World War II and fought in the Pacific theater, including in some famous battles such as the campaign for Guam and Saipan.

Given this odd dichotomy, I have perhaps a somewhat unique perspective on the whole conversation about the development and use of nuclear weapons.

Without going into a deep philosophical exploration, I do find it interesting that both my stepfather and just about everybody I met in Hiroshima more or less agreed that the root issue was less about the weapon itself, and more about the problem of going to war in the first place. It is remarkable that in less than a single generation two countries could go from being such vicious enemies to very close allies.

Given the ability our two countries demonstrated to quickly leave the hatred behind and embrace friendship, I don't think it is a coincidence that both countries have an extremely strong and deep tradition of Rotary. I don't know if Rotary played a role in what transpired, but I would be willing to bet many Rotarians on both sides of the Pacific were instrumental in achieving this transformation.

All this should give us confidence that as depressing as the current state of world affairs may be, there is hope for a better future and Rotarians will no doubt be in the forefront of driving that change.

David Thorson

President 2016 -2017

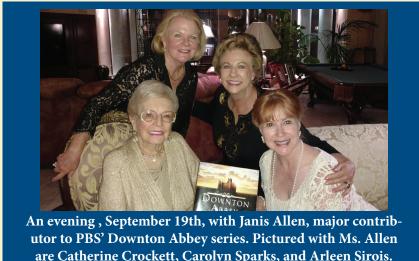


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SCRIBE

SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

- President David Thorson called the meeting and Club Assembly to order.
- · Bob Fisher gave the invocation. Arleen Sirios led the club in singing "America the Beautiful" The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Sergeant-at-Arms was 25 Club President Rob Pistone.
- There were no International Rotarians, (1) visiting Rotarian and (6) Guests of Rotarians were introduced.
- The drawing began at \$753.00 plus this week's donations. The winner gets half the pot and half goes to the Las Vegas Rotary Foundation. Ticket Winner: Deb Granda who won \$10! Lawry Bucks Winner: Bill Houghton.
- Carolyn Sparks presented Past President Karen Whisenhunt with her Paul Harris Fellow +5 and +6. Blake Myers presented his wife, Lynn, with a Paul Harris Fellow Award. Francesca Gilbert presented Chris Bennett with a Paul Harris Fellow Award in appreciation for his work as the 25 Club Vice President.
- Past President Mary Ann Avnet presented 17 members with perfect attendance
- President David Thorson discussed the club's participation with Polio Plus and literacy in the local community and introduced the agenda for today's Club Assembly.
- Dave Lester discussed the various local service projects including Sole Power, Spread the Word Nevada, SOAR, and Rotarians at Work.
- Kirk Alexander gave an overview of the youth and vocational projects such as The Dan Stover Music Contest, the 4 Way Speech Contest, RYLA and TLC.
- Melanie Muldowney presented information on the International projects: Corazon and Mayors Cup. She also demonstrated our ability to potentially use international grants, contributions from two Calgary clubs and district and RI matching funds to fund a local project with up to \$200,000 with only \$20,000 contribution from our club.
- Larry Tomsic discussed the success of the guest speakers program.
- · Stu Lipoff gave a presentation on the new 5th Wheel electronic newsletter and event sign up.
- Francesca Gilbert and Kirk Holmes discussed the club's internet presence with Facebook and the LV Rotary Website redesign.
- Janice Lencke and Michael Gordon review some information on the annual fundraiser, "Cars for a Cause."
- Tom Thomas detailed the workings of the LV Rotary Foundation as well as our goal of increasing the foundation to \$2 Million.
- · Anil Melnick reviewed all of the social events including the Tailgate Party, Cigar Social and Holiday Party.

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· President David Thorson adjourned the meeting.

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CALENDAR

ROTARY EVENTS ARE LISTED IN RED / GUEST SPEAKERS & PROGRAMS IN BLACK

9/22 **Ernest Williams - Nevada Test Site**

9/24 **Highway Clean-up**

9/29 Jim Kohl - Cristo Rey High School

Wetzel Awards - Base Ceremony

9/30 Rotarians at Work Day - Bracken and Hollingsworth schools

Luciano de Sylva - District 5300 Governor

Wine to Water

10/11 **Breakfast with Books**

Roger Thomas - Wynn Architect

Erik Atramecki - MMA Fundraising Fight

10/15 Corazon Superbuild

10/22 **UNLV Tailgate Party**

10/27 Brian Brannman - St. Rose Hospital

11/3 **Greg Devereaux - Magician**

11/10 Brigadier General Jeannie Leavitt - Nellis Air Force Base

Santa Clothes and Holiday Party

12/17 Highway Clean-up

Rotarians At Work Day

A Las Vegas Rotary Team will participate in the United Way Day of Caring and we want you to join us!

Where: Walter Bracken or Howard E. Hollingsworth STEAM Academies When: September 30, 2016

Time: 9:30 - 3:30 (or whatever time you can donate!)

Sign up at a meeting, or respond to maryann.avnet@gmail.com





PAST PRESIDENTS

es Saunders*	1923-24	Mark C. Mielke*	1970-
ill Ferron*	1924-25	Dr. Harold Boyer*	1971-
.A. Hinman*	1925-26	Angelo J. Manzi*	1972-
rosty Mildren*	1926-27	Keith Ashworth*	1973-
red Hesse*	1927-28	Robert E. O'Connell*	1974-
r. F.M. Ferguson*	1928-29	Don Ashworth	1975-
r. William S. Park*	1929-30	David F. Welles	1976-
harlie Dimock*	1930-31	James J. Corey*	1977-
eo McNamee*	1931-32	Darrell Luce*	1978-
.E. Cahlan*	1932-33	Albert H. Purdue*	1979-
ouglas Dasheil*	1933-34	Michael Hoover	1980-
Iarion Earl*	1934-35	Donald L. Aikin	1981-
.O. Knudson*	1936-37	Joseph J. Buckley*	1982-
rank Gusewelle*	1937-38	Irwin Kishner	1983-
om Connolly*	1938-39	James Cashman III*	1984-
rchie Grant*	1939-40	Mike Meyer	1985-
tto Underhill*	1940-41	Doug L. Peterson	1986-
ryan Bunker	1941-42	M.J. Wiens, Jr.	1987-
yril Wengert*	1942-43	Keith W. Bassett*	1988-
red O'Donnell*	1943-44	Kenneth E. Miller*	1989-
rank Case*	1944-45	James M. Gamett	1990-
ictor Shurtiff*	1945-46	Robert L. Moore	1991-
lax Kelch*	1946-47	Robert L. Forbuss*	1992-
d Ciliax*	1947-48	Gary A. Martin	1993-
orin Ronnow*	1948-49	John A. Smith	1994-
eonard Fayle*	1949-50	Caty Crockett	1995-
llye Lawson*	1950-51	Clifford R. Beadle	1996-
arry Allen*	1951-52	Ralph J. Rohay	1997-
es Edwards*	1952-53	Dr. James M. Jones	1998-
/ayne Kirch*	1953-54	Tom A. Thomas	1999-
eorge Boman*	1954-55	Tom J. Krob	2000-
pence Butterfield*	1955-56	James E. Hunt	2001-
alt Hunsaker*	1956-57	James R. Tucker	2002-
ed Brandt*	1957-58	Kathy Dalvey	2003-
ılian Moore*	1958-59	Steve Casev	2004-
ay F. Culley*	1959-60	Ned Phillips	2005-
.T. Harris*	1960-61	Brock Fraser	2006-
llie Gardner	1961-62	Randy Campanale	2007-
om Underhill*	1962-63	Russ Swain	2008-
ern Willis*	1963-64	Karen Whisenhunt	2009-
ard Wengert*	1964-65	Tom Axtell	2010-
ill Southard*	1965-66	Sharon McNair	2011-
r. Vince Sanner*	1966-67	Randy Donald	2012-
/alter Wehner*	1967-68	Ginger Anderson	2013-
r. Robert Robinson		Steve Linder	2014-
arold Wandesforde		Mary Ann Avnet	2015-

* Deceased



2016-2017 RI President John Germ District 5300 Governor Luciano de Sylva





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MEMBER



Blake Myers presents Paul Harris to wife Lyn.



Visiting Rotarian Kathy Mahon enjoys fellowship with Katie Decker.



HIGHLIGHTS

Paul Kruger introduces our former Executive Director Elise Hanseman.



President David kicks off our first Club Assembly of 2016-2017.



Perfect attendance winners all present.



Current and former Executive **Directors Shawn Noorda** and Elise Hanseman.



Francesca Gilbert presents Paul Harris to Chris Bennett.



Songleader Arleen Sirois.



Las Vegas Rotary Foundation President Tom Thomas explains our funding model.

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David Thorson and

wife Chieko pose for a

photo opp.



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Rosalee Hedrick

Anil Melnick reports on the

club's fellowship plans.

Bob Fisher delivers

Invocation.

Elise Hanseman enjoys a

return visit to our club.



LOCAL, TRUSTED, FRANCHISE EXPERTS.

The Officers for the 25 Club

President - Rob Pistone VP - Chris Bennett • Secretary - Erik Astramecki

The 25 Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday each month at 11:15 A.M. at Lawry's The Prime Rib

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