



Dan Stover Memorial Music Scholarship



Dan and Kay Stover

The Rotary Club of Alhambra, in the year following the death of Dan Stover, established a Music Scholarship Program in his name. The program was proposed, organized, and championed by a new Rotarian, Christine Montan, who was Alhambra's first woman Rotarian. Ms. Montan recognized and appreciated the contribution that Dan Stover had made as a Rotarian, musician, and person. From these beginnings, the Dan Stover Memorial Music Scholarship program "graduated" into a District program.

A generation of talented, young musicians have participated and had the opportunity, in the name of Dan Stover, to compete against their peers and earn funds to further their musical education with the scholarship awards. The Winners qualify for educational awards that enable them to further their studies at an accredited college, university, or music conservatory upon high school graduation.

Both education and music were strong influences in the life of Dan Stover, a secondary education professional whose musical talents were shared with his family, his community and Rotary. He always placed the student first and transformed the lives of countless young people. Personally, he was an accomplished musician, both as a vocalist and an instrumentalist. He was as much at home in the finals of a Barber Shop Quartet competition as he was at the keyboard of his famous "Rotary" organ, often serenading Club meetings and District Conferences with his unique musical wizardry.

Dan Stover passed away shortly following the 1987 District Conference at which his friend and fellow Alhambra Rotarian, Dr. Tim Keen Siu, became District Governor. Dan was noticeably ill at the conference, but he played his heart out for Dr. Tim and others, knowing that the show must go on.

A FINER TRIBUTE TO DAN STOVER COULD NOT BE IMAGINED!

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- **\$33,333.33 donation made to Santa Clothes by a longtime member, Chris Rodenfels.**
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- **\$1,500.00 Grant made to CASA Foundation, Children's Foundation of Las Vegas for Tutoring of Foster Youth.**

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Social media can both enhance and distort education. It provides access to a vast amount of information, but also spreads misinformation and can promote echo chambers. This can indeed impact the quality of education, as critical thinking skills are crucial to navigate and evaluate information in the digital age. The purpose of education should be to equip individuals with the knowledge and skills they need to thrive in society. This includes critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity, and the ability to learn independently.

The Las Vegas Rotary Club (LVRC) plays a vital role in supporting youth development. By focusing on literacy, education, and life skills, we empower young people to reach their full potential.

Octavia Butler was a master of science fiction world-building. Studying her work can inspire students to develop their own creative worlds and stories, fostering imagination and critical thinking. Butler's work often blends science fiction with elements of history, sociology, and philosophy. While rooted in social commentary, her work incorporates scientific concepts like genetics, artificial intelligence, and climate change, sparking student interest in STEAM fields.

Finally, common sense is subjective and can vary across cultures. While it's important to cultivate critical thinking, common sense remains a valuable life skill.

Have a fantastic week!

Let's Build Something Together!

Kirk

SCRIBE – FEBRUARY 13, 2025

President Kirk called the meeting to order at 12:15pm. **Mike Ballard** gave the invocation. **Jerry Engel**, still romantic at 95, used his harmonica to play the melody and led us in singing Frank Sinatra's "Time After Time". **Robert Salameh** was Sergeant-at-Arms and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **President Kirk** led us in reciting the 4 Way Test.

At today's Sweetheart's Lunch, **President Kirk** told an anecdote on how marriage can distinguish the fine line between the meanings of complete and finished, and completely-finished.

In today's Rotary Moment, **Lin Ng** shared her experience of "the power of the [Rotary] pin" on her travels to Calgary and Paru.

President Kirk thanked all who set up and helped in today's meeting and introduced at the Head Table our guest speaker Len Jessup and our own **Tarby Bryant** accompanied by his wife.

Visiting Rotarian John Rizzo, President of the Summerlin Rotary Club, invited all to their annual Mardi Gras Gala Feb 22. **Stu Lipoff** introduced his son and wife as his guest, and well as guest teachers from Hollingsworth ES. Joe Lobosco was **Andrew Thurlow's** guest.

Recognizing 'sweethearts', **Karen Whisenhunt**, **Jim Hunt**, **Tom Krob**, and **Randy Donald** introduced their sweethearts. **Steve Casey** and wife Linda celebrating 50 years, **Brock Fraser** and **Pete Samuolis** introduced their sweethearts. **Michael Williams** introduced his granddaughter. **Jim Kohl**, **Mike Ballard**, and **Shawn Noorda** introduced their sweethearts. **Karen Whisenhunt** introduced RYE Hanna Roth and **Janice Lencke** introduced a guest Rotarian from the Philippines. Murrey from Calgary invited all to the RI Convention.

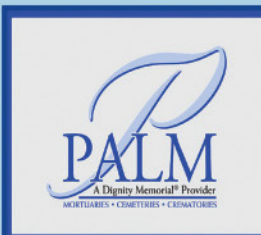
President Kirk recognized all Past Presidents on this President's Day weekend.

Honorary Member **Jim Tucker** presented awards to Superbowl Board winners **Rosalee Hedrick** (1st), **Bob Werner** (2nd), **Larry Cohn** (3rd), **Nikki Junium** (game), and \$2500 to the Foundation.

In announcements, **Karen Whisenhunt** talked about District Assembly and District Conference on behalf of **Janice Lencke**, recognized **Tina Bishop** in disaster relief efforts as well as Beckley ES, called for host families and drivers for the RYE Las Vegas Tour March 6 – 9, and introduced Hannah Roth to announce her raffle to win an authentic Austrian dinner made by her. Toni Kern talked about the Clark HS event and the Chefs for Kids event. **Rosalee Hedrick** announced 6 slots left for the CAE tour on Feb 25. **Don Holland** invited all to a special Wetzel Award today at Nellis AFB honoring the recent passing of Mrs. Wetzel. **Gwen Hall** encouraged all to participate in NV Reading Week March 3 – 7 and introduced Walter Long ES Principal and 4th grade math teacher. **Stu Lipoff** introduced two guest teachers from Hollingsworth ES.

In the raffle, Murrey from Calgary tried for the Joker, and **Mike Cudiamat** won Lawry's Bucks.

Tarby Bryant introduced our guest speaker Len Jessup. **President Kirk** presented Len with a Happy Feet Sole Power award, closed with words from RI President Stephanie Urchick and adjourned the meeting at 1:31pm.



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CALENDAR

February 20

Dan Stover Music Competition

February 20-21

Financial Literacy Service Opportunity

February 25

CAE Las Vegas Corporate Tour

February 27

Chefs for Kids Volunteer Opportunity 7:30 am

February 27

Las Vegas Mayor Shelley Berkley

March 6-9

Rotary Youth Exchange Las Vegas Visit Host Families & Drivers Needed

March 13

25 Club Meeting & Social

March 14

Cigar Social

March 21-23

Rotary District 5300 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

April 8

Beckley Elementary Breakfast with Books 7:30 am



*Don Holland and service member
at the Wetzel Awards*



*Speaker Len Jessup shares his thoughts
on education and innovation*



*Lin Ng
sharing her Rotary Moment*



PP Jim Kohl and his wife Judith



*PE Janice Lencke introduces
an international guest*



*Rosalee Hedrick celebrating
her Super Bowl win*



*Nikki Junium celebrates winning
the Super Bowl final score!*



*International guest Murrey Fliege!
did NOT pull the Joker!*



*Mike Cudiamat won
the Lawry's Bucks*

Current Raffle Amount \$4,814.00

February Rotarian Birthdays

Steven S. Casey

February

8

William K. Stephan, MD

February

24

Ryan Hamilton

February

23

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5

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