

# NEWSLETTER

**MAY  
2025**



## Rotary Club of Green Valley



100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

<https://greenvallerotary.org/>

### MEETINGS & EVENTS



Val Hatley  
President 2024-2025



Julie Todd  
President Elect 2025-2026  
Club Chair



Mike Peterson  
Club Director  
Public Image Chair  
Membership Chair



William Jones Patrick  
Treasurer 2024-2025



Greg Bruce  
Asst. Treasurer 2024-2025



Melinda McKean Westfahl  
Secretary 2024-2025



Linda Baassiri  
Club Director



Natasha Losik  
Youth Service Chair



Bob Bergren  
International Service Chair  
Club Director



James Frey  
Club Director



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#### April 03, 2025 **Sean Scruggs**

Sean Scruggs, Tribal Historical Preservation Officer for the Fort Independence Indian Tribe in California, grew up on his reservation where there was a lack of local job opportunities. Soon after serving twenty years in the USAF, Sean began learning about the history of his culture. Today, his work centers around research and synthesis of cultural knowledge used in consultation with more fifty local, state and federal agencies to address the cultural impacts of project development. In his work, he interacts with museums, archeologists and government agencies. He also performs repatriation of ancestors, works to restore his traditional language and focuses attention on a Cultural Council that seeks to revive his tribe's authentic history.

#### April 10, 2025 **Shashi Namibian.**

Professor Shashi Nambisan, Ph.D., P.E., is the Director of UNLV's Transportation Research Center and Professor of Civil Engineering at UNLV. With more than thirty-five years of experience he has led efforts on more than one hundred eight-five projects addressing key themes including safety, data-analytics, policy support, and management as key themes and has worked extensively with officials to help formulate technology-based strategies that enhance transportation safety, capacity, and travel time reliability. He is the author/co-author of more than one hundred eighty peer-reviewed publications, and made or moderated nearly five hundred professional/technical presentations at local, regional, national, and international events.



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**Paul Theodosios**  
Rotary Club Of Green Valley  
**Student Of The Month**  
April 10, 2025



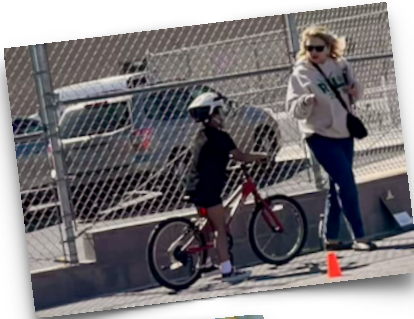
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Here's evidentiary proof that Rotary Club Of Green Valley members **Julie Todd** (Pres. Elect.), **Barbara Billitzer**, **Val Hatley** (Pres.) and **Lance Lewis** attended the **District 5300 and 5180 Joint Conference** and the **2025-2026 Annual District Training Assembly**, to absorb valuable Rotary knowledge for future RCGV leadership roles. Their trip to and from Anaheim was arduous, their training intense. Nonetheless, our intrepid Rotary Club Of Green Valley members remained steadfast. **Service Above Self!**



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**April 12, 2025 Rotary Club Of Green Valley BIKE RODEO**  
Remember the sensation of saddling up on your first bike seat and feeling, for the first time in your life, that world exploration and adventure was yours as long as your feet reached the bicycle pedals and the road ahead was clear! Now, combine that with the personal satisfaction of being part of the Rotary Club Of Green Valley crew who found the time and made the effort to see that the children of Taylor Elementary were taught how to safely use their newly found cycling freedom.



**Welcome (back) Ted Durant !!**

On March 27, 2025,  
Rotary Club Of Green Valley's  
**Mike Peterson**  
shows Club appreciation  
for the return of  
**an esteemed member.**



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## RCGV UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR



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May 1, 2025 - **Rachel Bergren**  
Executive Director of the Heaven Can Wait Animal Society.



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May 08, 2025 - **Eddie Dichter**  
Director of Community Development and Services  
for the City of Henderson, NV



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May 15, 2025 - **Lance Lewis**  
New member from Midland, Michigan will give his  
'**Craft Talk**' !



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May 22, 2025 - **Jim Chrisley**  
Senior Director of Aviation Clark County Dept. Of Aviation.



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May 29, 2025 - **Rafael Villanueva**  
CEO of Travel Nevada



Join us for a worthwhile service project and/or a fun social event !

## Back to School Supply Drive

HELPING HOMELESS, DISPLACED & DISADVANTAGED HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GET THE ITEMS THEY NEED TO SUCCEED!

### HOW TO HELP

- **DONATE NEW ITEMS:** New school supplies and hygiene can be dropped off at our offices.
  - Drop off at
    - 3600 N. Rancho Dr.
    - 2605 E. Flamingo Rd.
  - Office hours Monday - Friday 9:00am to 5:30pm
- **HOST A DRIVE:** Call 702-721-7150 for more information
- **MONETARY DONATION:** Visit [www.project150.org](http://www.project150.org)
- **VOLUNTEER:** Sign up to volunteer before or the week of the event.

Contact us 702-721-7150



### PREFERRED DONATIONS INCLUDE

#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- College Ruled Spiral Notebook
- 1"- 2" Binders
- 8GB Flash Drive
- Erasers
- Dividers
- College Ruled Composition Notebook
- Post Its
- Heavy Duty Teen Backpacks
- Black & Blue Ink Pens
- Highlighters
- Mechanical Pencils
- Pocket Folders
- Binder Pouches
- Colored Pencils
- College Ruled Loose Leaf Paper
- Index Cards
- Markers

#### HYGIENE ITEMS

- Full Size Lotion
- Gender Specific Deodorant
- Full Size Body Wash
- Full Size Shampoo
- Full Size Conditioner
- Brushes
- Female Sanitary Pads
- Hair Styling Products

COLLECTING FROM  
MAY 12TH - JULY 21ST



Project 150 ranks high on Rotary Club Of Green Valley's list of successful non-profit organizations. Take part in this fulfilling opportunity to serve disadvantaged high school students. Our donations to and volunteered time for this organization is deeply appreciated. Make the effort. **Donate !!**



Photo(s):Project 150 website



COMMISSIONER JUSTIN JONES PRESENTS

## YOUR PERFECT FOOTWEAR Festival

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE YOUR PERFECT FOOTWEAR FESTIVAL, A MEMORABLE FUNDRAISING EVENT FEATURING SHOW-STOPPING ENTERTAINMENT AND THRILLING COMPETITIONS, MOUTHWATERING FOOD, AND FAMILY FUN.

### EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

GRILL-OFF COMPETITION	FLAG FOOTBALL
LIVE MUSIC	ROCK CLIMBING
MAGIC SHOW	FAMILY FRIENDLY GAMES
RAFFLE & GIVEAWAYS (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)	& SO MUCH MORE

TO REGISTER SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
[WWW.YOURPERFECTFOOTWEAR.ORG/EVENTS](http://WWW.YOURPERFECTFOOTWEAR.ORG/EVENTS)  
FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM:  
@YOURPERFECTFOOTWEARFOUNDATION

SCAN ME

MAY 10TH, 2025  
11 AM - 2 PM

DESERT BREEZE SOCCER COMPLEX  
8275 W SPRING MOUNTAIN RD

VEGAS CHAMBER PROUD MEMBER FOUNDATION

together - better

Bizly

Our club is partnering with the nonprofit, **Your Perfect Footwear Foundation**, on several projects, one of which may be giving new shoes to students as part of the Hoolihan Christmas Event. The Foundation celebrates academic achievements by awarding new sneakers to underserved youth. Their goal is to boost self-esteem and create a sense of belonging that inspires kids to think big and set high goals. The founder, **Janea Sizemore**, spoke with our club in January about her own journey of resilience, ambition, and her deep commitment to empowering others.

For their free Festival event, **we are seeking 10-12 volunteers** to help with registration. Over 1,500 visitors are expected to attend, and most will have already pre-registered. Volunteers will simply scan entrants' information using on-site electronics (no paperwork required). This is a great opportunity to work alongside Janea and support a cause that closely aligns with our own. And kids are welcome!

### Details of May 10 Volunteer Opportunity

**Your Perfect Footwear Festival**  
**10:15 am - 12:15 pm registration/setup**  
Desert Breeze Soccer Complex  
8275 W. Spring Mountain Rd.

Please



**Register NOW** to volunteer at this important event!



## On The Side...

Put another check mark on the **"Kobriger's World Tour Bucket List"**. **Kim and Teri's** cruise took them to **South America, Antarctica & Falkland Islands**. Both agreed that the good vibes in **Argentina** made the trip worthwhile.  
**You go, Kobrigers !!**



Rotary Club Of Green Valley esteemed member **Jim Frey** joins family members to give a little encouragement and fan appreciation to his **grandson** who pitches for the **College Of Idaho "Coyotes"** baseball team.



## New Arrival !!

**Bob and Debbie Mitsch** welcomed their **first grandson Jackson** on March 24, 2025. Parents are tired but doing well and all are now living in Las Vegas. Congratulations to Bob, Debbie and family !!



## FYI

### Exciting News: SuperBuild 2025 Planning is Underway!

By Robin Smith, Las Vegas Rotary

Mark your calendars for May 3, 2025! We're thrilled to announce that we'll be building one to two homes with Corazon in Tecate, Mexico, as part of our ongoing **SuperBuild initiative**. **SuperBuild** is a remarkable opportunity to engage in international service just across the border. In a single day, you can transform the lives of a family for generations and experience a profound change in your own life.

### ATTENTION:

Pertinent and timely pictures, images, opinions, explanations, reviews, general information, meeting ideas, Rotary facts and figures...**any media or content** you submit for publishing adds to the quality and enjoyment of our **RCGV NEWSLETTER**.  
Sincere Thanks, Ed (id8ah@me.com)

**Rotary**  
Rotary Club Of Green Valley  
District 5300

