

## **President's Message**

### **John Schnittgrund**

Summer has arrived and life is hopefully becoming a little more relaxing and enjoyable. Traveling, fishing, camping and just enjoying the warmer weather should be the priority.

Our Association exists primarily to be of assistance to our members socially and in any other conceivable way. There have been several requests for visitations and other types of assistance for members in assisted living and hospice care. Every time that assistance has been asked, you have responded. I have always believed that we are “family,” and I am proud of the way we do support each other in a time of need. Thank you for caring.

The Summer BBQ is scheduled for August 9 at Clement Park. Brother's BBQ will provide BBQ, again. This is always a popular event so mark your calendars and plan to enjoy an afternoon in the park.

The Annual Reunion in Laughlin, Nevada is scheduled for October 13 and 14. We will be at the Aquarius Hotel and Casino, and golf will be held at the Avi resort on Tuesday. There should be no change in cost this year. Lunch on Monday and Dinner on Tuesday are included. We are planning to have a presentation with the Monday lunch. The Laughlin Reunion has been gaining in popularity and the addition of the Tuesday golf event has been well attended. This is a good opportunity to get together with friends now living in the Arizona and Nevada areas. Get a foursome together and join us in October.

There is nothing to report on the political front. “No problems” is always a good thing. I have been getting a lot of questions about the negotiations for the next contract. There is nothing to report because negotiating has not started. When we get any information, we will share it with the membership.

For those members who might need some help or advice about wills and trusts the Credit Union has a service that can help with those types of issues. The services are not free, but they are more affordable than hiring a lawyer for the same result. If you need help keep the Credit Union in mind.

Unfortunately, we have had some members recently fall victim to scammers. There will be a class offered to identify different types of frauds. Some of these frauds are well thought out and it is easy to be victimized. This event will be held at District 3 on July 17 and reservations can be made through the Peer Support liaison Marco Vasquez.

Stay safe and have a great summer.