

Brian Yost

Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority



Brian Yost is the Chief Operating Officer for the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA). The LVCVA is the destination marketing organization for Las Vegas and Southern Nevada, and its mission centers on promoting the world's most desirable destination for leisure and business travel. The LVCVA also owns and operates the Las Vegas Convention Center.

In his role, Mr. Yost is responsible for providing leadership and strategy to create exceptional customer experiences at the Las Vegas Convention Center, as well as providing oversight to all facility operations and any facility expansion and

renovation projects. Additionally, Mr. Yost oversees the business sales efforts for the 4.6 million square feet Las Vegas Convention Center, as well as the Authority's efforts to bring large scale, global sporting and entertainment events to the destination.

Prior to joining the LVCVA in 2018, Mr. Yost was the owner and founder of Meliora Consulting, LLC, a full-service consultancy firm focused on the hospitality industry. Throughout his illustrious 35-year career, he has served as President of Amphitheaters and President of Onsite Products for Live Nation Entertainment. Mr. Yost also previously served as Vice President of Development for Harrah's Entertainment and held senior leadership roles with Marriott International, The Walt Disney Company and Universal Studios.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Mr. Yost graduated from Dickinson College with a bachelor's degree in political science.

In addition to his work in the industry, Mr. Yost serves on the Board of Directors of Children of Restaurant Employees, a national 501(c)3 charity that provides support for children faced with life altering conditions.

The Las Vegas Rotary Club's Mission:

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



JUNE 23, 2022 TODAY'S PROGRAM

BRIAN YOST

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.



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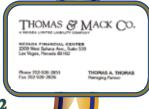
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is the last time I'll write to you as club president.

It's been the honor of my life to be your President. So many of you have shared kind words the past few weeks to say thanks or give compliments, but I could say as much to you. Robin and I are grateful for the opportunity you gave us to serve.

While I will no longer serve as president, I will, of course, continue my service to the BEST ROTARY CLUB IN THE UNIVERSE for many years to come.

A few weeks ago, members and friends have asked how I feel about leaving. And the fact is, 'parting is such sweet sorrow.'

The sweet part is no more president's letters, writing captions for all the pictures in the Wheel, coming up with other content for the Wheel, or having to be a few places at once.

The sorrow -- the goodbyes, of course, and leaving this position that enabled me to get to know so many of you so much more personally than I normally would.

While honored, I was quite surprised when I was asked to become president. I had just started another business, Camino Verde Group, I travel a lot and thought didn't have time to lead the club.

However, I have a strong belief in a heavenly Father who loves all of us. I know he wants us to be happy, learn and accept responsibility and grow. He needs us to help one another and alleviate suffering in our communities

and throughout the world. He wants us to be kind.

So, when I was asked to serve as your president, I felt this was a calling, where I would share the unique gifts and energy with which I've been blessed to help do God's work alongside all of you.

My goal was to make our members and guest feel loved and always welcomed. I wanted each member to know that whatever level of service they gave was good enough. I wanted to do new things. I hoped to show the diversity and history of our community and bring more energy into our meetings.





PRESIDENT MESSAGE (CONT.)

I'm proud of the work we have done together in the past year. Our biggest challenge was finding our path out of COVID. Not only did we resume our important programs and services, but we welcomed 25 new members, started some new programs, initiated some good for the environment activities and raised more than \$170,000. Not too bad!

Our theme for this Rotary year was "Serve to Change Lives." Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta urged members to become more involved in service projects.



We have worked together in the past year to serve our community in many ways, from helping schools and education to providing food, clothes and wheelchairs to the less fortunate to cleaning up our community. Our club makes a difference in the Las Vegas community. I will forever be grateful for this

unique service opportunity.



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A.A. Hinman*	1925-26	Robert E. O'Connell*	1974-75
Frosty Mildren*	1926-27	Don Ashworth*	1975-76
Fred Hesse*	1927-28	David F. Welles*	1976-77
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Otto Underhill*	1940-41	Kenneth E. Miller*	1989-90
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Lorin Ronnow*	1948-49	Ralph J. Rohay	1997-98
Leonard Fayle*	1949-50	Dr. James M. Jones*	1998-99
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Harry Allen*	1951-52	Tom J. Krob	2000-01
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Spence Butterfield*	1955-56	Steve Casey	2004-05
Walt Hunsaker*	1956-57	Ned Phillips	2005-06
Ted Brandt*	1957-58	Brock Fraser	2006-07
Julian Moore*	1958-59	Randy Campanale	2007-08
Ray F. Culley*	1959-60	Russ Swain	2008-09
C.T. Harris*	1960-61	Karen Whisenhunt	2009-10
Ollie Gardner*	1961-62	Tom Axtell	2010-11
Tom Underhill*	1962-63	Sharon McNair	2011-12
Vern Willis*	1963-64	Randy Donald	2012-13
Ward Wengert*	1964-65	Ginger Anderson	2013-14
Bill Southard*	1965-66	Steve Linder	2014-15
Dr. Vince Sanner*	1966-67	Mary Ann Avnet	2015-16
Walter Wehner*	1967-68	David Thorson	2016-17
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THE LAS VEGAS **ROTARY CLUB**



Arleen Sirois leads the club in singing "My Country Tis of Thee."



Christine Luby gives the invocation for last week's meeting.



Spread the Word Nevada guests Taylor Palmer, Sharon Carlson and Lisa Habighorst.



Long-time Rotarian, Paul Maffey, with his lovely daughter, Marietta Dansart.



Jaime Goldsmith seeks volunteers for the SOAR program to work the parade in Summerlin.



New members Brian Riley and Ed Domanico were inducted by Dr. Niki Bates, and their sponsors were Jim Hunt and Rosalee Hedrick, respectively.

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THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



Visiting Rotarian from the Philppines, Rey John Lorca, guest of Bhavan Singh.



The Head table featuring guest Ryan Woodward, PP Tom Thomas, Lisa Habighorst, PP Karen Whisenhunt and our speaker Chantay Benshimon.



The Las Vegas Rotary Club give a \$25,000 check to Spread the Word Nevada in support of their literacy programs.



Janice Lencke discusses the Club's 100th anniversary celebration with Antoinette Monroe and the club.



Foundation President gives an update on the Foundation's fundraising efforts.



Speaker Chantay Benshimon gives President Mike a banner from the Israeli Rotary Club she attended.

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The Officers for the 25 Club

President - Bhavan Singh
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The 25 Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday
each month at 6:00 P.M. at TBD



JASON BUCKLEY

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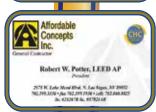
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SCRIBE - JUNE 16, 2022

President Mike Ballard called the meeting to order.

Arleen Sirois led us in singing "My Country Tis of Thee" and **Christine Luby** gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Mike thanked the members who helped with meeting roles: raffle, setup, teardown, scribe, photographer and Sergeant of Arms as well as the AV team.

Guests Attending:

Visiting Rotarians today from the Philppines, **Rey John Lorca**, guest of Bhavan Singh. **Robert** from Los Angles, but looking for a club here in Las Vegas. **Dan Latta**, guest of John Palley and Steve Latta; **Ryan Woodward**, guest of Mike Ballard; and **Marietta Dansart**, guest and daughter of Paul Maffey.

New Member Inductions:

New members **Brian Riley** and **Ed Domanico** were inducted by **Dr. Niki Bates**, and their sponsors were **Jim Hunt** and **Rosalee Hedrick**, respectively. Our membership committee has done a fantastic job this year!

Announcements:

25 Club president Bhavan Singh gave recap on the International Conference.

Janice Lencke reminded everyone that there is a planning meeting for the 100th anniversary celebration right after our luncheon today and still need more volunteers.

June 16th, 25 Club will meet tonight at John Palley's home for a Bar-B-Que.

June 23-26, if have not signed for District Conference, in Indian Wells there is still time.

June 30, the Debunking will be at the home of Carey Grohs at 6:30pm.

July 4th, Jaime Goldsmith is asking for volunteers for SOAR to work the parade in Summerlin.

July 21st, save the date for the wheelchair fundraiser - cost \$40.

Foundation is short approximately \$20,000 plus to meet the \$100,000 challenge by **Tom Thomas** PP to match.

Spread the Word Nevada (STWN), with Taylor Palmer and Lisa Habighorst gave a presentation on the work STWN does in our community and how they achieved important goals during the pandemic when Clark County schools were shut down. President Mike, PP Tom Thomas, and Marie Walsh presented to Taylor Palmer, Lisa Habighorst and Sharon Carlson a check for \$25,000 from the Las Vegas Rotary to STWN for the great work they do at Beckley Elementary School.

The Raffle drawing today for the pot of \$5,007 plus today's contribution was **Sidra Kain**, she did not draw the Joker, and for that she received \$10 as her consolation. **Arleen Sirois** walked away with the \$50 Lawry Bucks.

Today's guest speaker **Chantay Ben Shimon**, was introduced by **Karen Whisenhunt**. **Chantey** talked about her journey to getting her Masters in International Conflict Resolution and Mediation from Tel Aviv University and her internship after which was hired by them. She thanked Rotary International and the Las Vegas Rotary Club for sponsoring her as our 2020-2022 Global Grant Scholar. **President Mike** presented her with a "Sole Power" award to benefit a child in need of shoes and socks and The Four-Way Coin was presented as well. Before we adjourned Chantay presented us with a flag from an Israeli Rotary Club.

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ROTARY MEMBERSHIP

Rotary members provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Impact in our community and the world starts with our members — people like you who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change.

At club meetings in communities across the globe, our people of action come together to strengthen their connections to friends and neighbors and their commitment to improving other's lives. That is why our motto is "Service Above Self."

Community service is the central core of Rotary; however, members remain Rotarians in a good part because of friendships. It takes time and effort through fellowship to develop and sustain meaningful friendships. Friendships are also how we grow our club.

Our Rotary Club Membership Committee, chaired by Toni Kern and assisted by Tina Bishop the first half of the year and by Niki Bates the second half of the year, has done a wonderful job.

This year we have seen 25 members of our community join the club. These new members are already serving and leading in many important ways. It is so exciting to see. Our new members, including returning members, this year are:

Tarby Bryant
 Arleen Sirois
 John Palley
 Brian Rosenberg
 David Tulanian
 David Jones
 Elliotte Fajardo
 Antoinette Monroe
 Markus Bohi
 Nareg Afghan
 Rosalie Gonzalez

12. Bill Regenhardt

13. Don Holland

14. Alison Wechsler

15. Larry Cohn

16. David Choo

17. Christine Luby18. Anthony Craig

19. Jerry Brown

20. Jeff Geihs

21. Bob Peiser

22. Steve Latta

23. Brian Riley

24. Andrew Thurlow

25. Ed Domanico

Our membership applauds you, your enthusiasm and your commitment to serve.



















June 23, 2022

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CALENDAR

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

- 06/23 District Conference 06/24 District Conference
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 06/25 District Conference
- 06/26 District Conference
- 06/30 Debunking Party No Speaker
- 07/07 President's Holiday No Meeting
- 07/14 Michael Green
 - UNLV Professor of History
- 07/21 Jim Kohl Attorney
- 07/28 TBD
- 08/04 Stacy Standley
 - World Affairs Council Director
- 08/11 Claytee White
 - UNLV Oral History Program
- 08/18 Lindy Laroque UNLV Head
 - Basketball Coach
- 08/25 Kelvin Watson Las Vegas Library
- 09/01 TBD



MAKE-UP DAYS AND PLACES

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