





## **Kimberly McMahon & Brian Riley**

Rotary Youth Exchange



Today's presentation will be hosted by former exchange students Kimberly McMahon, District 5300 Youth Exchange Coordinator and Brian Riley, SCANEX Coordinator for Mateo, our current inbound student from Chile, and Fernanda of ROTEX and former student to our club.

Kimberly will further explain SCANEX, the Multi District Rotary Youth Exchange Program from 5

Western states including Southern California, Nevada, Hawaii, Arizona and Utah. Districts included are 5000, 5240, 5280, 5300, 5320, 5330, 5340 5420 & 5495. This year almost 7000 students from more than 71 countries will have enriched their lives and seen the world the way it is best seen — via first-hand experience of other cultures.



All presenters will further explain how Rotary Youth Exchange impacted their lives. Brian is quoted as saying "I am the Poster Boy for youth exchange. Besides supportive and loving parents, everything I have is because of the opportunity given to me by Rotary to leave a small town and see how the world really works. Having traveled to around 125 countries and 49 states is not something that comes about without a catalyst. Once

that wanderlust was ignited there was no extinguishing it."

\*\*While not present today Mike Cudiamat serves as Continental Coordinator for South America.



August 3, 2023

### 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.

## What We Have Accomplished.

**DID YOU KNOW?** 

- July 13 Event: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wetzel Ceremony since COVID was held, with significant military attendance and 10 Rotarians.
- July Foundation Giving/Service Project: Summer Santa Clothes provided \$10,000 of boys and girls clothing from JC Penney to Project 150 for school, plus member donations of boys undergarments; clothing unpacked hung by 10 Rotarians and over 22 total hours.
- July Giving: Family of Rotary Program donated personal hygiene items valued over \$1,000 to the USO and Project 150.
- July NV Wheelchair Foundation's Rotary "A" Team: Delivered 5 wheelchairs and 5 volunteered loading/ unloading chairs at the warehouse for a total of 15 volunteer hours.

# The Las Vegas Rotary Club's Mission:

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

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

District Governor Michael Soden has issued our 2023-24 District Foci: (1) increase membership through a massive Social Media campaign; (2) drive to finish polio eradication; and (3) advance RI President McInally's initiative to raise Mental Health Awareness.

The goal to increase membership is not new, but statistics show our district lost approximately 1,000 members in the last decade. In mid-August, District 5300 will launch the ComeSeeWhatWeDo.org website to enable all clubs to advertise and promote their service projects and invite the public to participate. I encourage you to check out the website once launched and consider how our Club can participate.

Second, since Rotary is close to eradicating Polio, District 5300 is forming a Polio Plus Society to help finish the job. Polio eradication is a special passion of DG Soden as his wife, Sylvia, is a polio survivor. Members who donate a minimum of \$100 annually to the Polio Plus fund, an RI Foundation pledge option, will be part of the Society. During DG Soden's club visits, he will distribute challenge coins with the hope of encouraging others to join. Third, RI President Gordon's initiative to raise Mental Health Awareness will address the subject by forming a committee that will focus on this objective. If you are interested in joining this committee, contact the DG at dgms2324@gmail.com.

The 2024 District Conference, June 21-24, 2024, is taking a new approach - A Cruise to Service on Royal Caribbean Navigator of the Sea. On Saturday, we will have our usual District Conference with club awards and the DG pinning of Michael Driebe. On Sunday, we will dock in Ensenada to work with District 4100 on an International Service project. Reserve a cabin now! Don't miss being a part of a service project and a cruise vacation with fellow Rotarians!

Due to the cruise, the Dan Stover Music contest and the 4-Way Test Speech contest finals, generally held at the District Conference, are advanced. The 4-Way Test Speech Contest final will occur at the District Training Assembly in April. In May, at the Foundation Event, the Music contest will take center stage. Please consider attending both events to support these talented youths.



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Bill Ferron*	1924-25	Don Ashworth*	1975-76
A.A. Hinman*	1925-26	David F. Welles*	1976-77
Frosty Mildren*	1926-27	James J. Corey*	1977-78
Fred Hesse*	1927-28	Darrell Luce*	1978-79
Dr. F.M. Ferguson*	1928-29	Albert H. Purdue*	1979-80
Dr. William S. Park*	1929-30	Michael Hoover	1980-81
Charlie Dimock*	1930-31	Donald L. Aikin*	1981-82
Leo McNamee*	1931-32	Joseph J. Buckley*	1982-83
A.E. Cahlan*	1932-33	Irwin Kishner*	1983-84
Douglas Dasheil*	1933-34	James Cashman III*	1984-85
Marion Earl*	1934-35	Mike Meyer	1985-86
Dr. Roy Martin*	1935-36	Doug L. Peterson*	1986-87
K.O. Knudson*	1936-37	M.J. Wiens, Jr.	1987-88
Frank Gusewelle*	1937-38	Keith W. Bassett*	1988-89
Tom Connolly*	1938-39	Kenneth E. Miller*	1989-90
Archie Grant*	1939-40	James M. Gamett	1990-91
Otto Underhill*	1940-41	Robert L. Moore	1991-92
Bryan Bunker*	1941-42	Robert L. Forbuss*	1992-93
Cyril Wengert*	1942-43	Gary A. Martin	1993-94
Fred O'Donnell*	1943-44	John A. Smith	1994-95
Frank Case*	1944-45	Caty Crockett	1995-96
Victor Shurtiff*	1945-46	Clifford R. Beadle	1996-97
Max Kelch*	1946-47	Ralph J. Rohay	1997-98
Ed Ciliax*	1947-48	Dr. James M. Jones*	1998-99
Lorin Ronnow*	1948-49	Tom A. Thomas	1999-00
Leonard Fayle*	1949-50	Tom J. Krob	2000-01
Allye Lawson*	1950-51	James E. Hunt	2001-02
Harry Allen*	1951-52	James R. Tucker	2002-03
Les Edwards*	1952-53	Kathy Dalvey*	2003-04
Wayne Kirch*	1953-54	Steve Casey	2004-05
George Boman*	1954-55	Ned Phillips	2005-06
Spence Butterfield*	1955-56	Brock Fraser	2006-07
Walt Hunsaker*	1956-57	Randy Campanale	2007-08
Ted Brandt*	1957-58	Russ Swain	2008-09
Julian Moore*	1958-59	Karen Whisenhunt	2009-10
Ray F. Culley*	1959-60	Tom Axtell	2010-11
C.T. Harris*	1960-61	Sharon McNair	2011-12
Ollie Gardner*	1961-62	Randy Donald	2012-13
Tom Underhill*	1962-63	Ginger Anderson	2013-14
Vern Willis*	1963-64	Steve Linder	2014-15
Ward Wengert*	1964-65	Mary Ann Avnet	2015-16
Bill Southard*	1965-66	David Thorson	2016-17
Dr. Vince Sanner*	1966-67	Dr. Michael Gordon	2017-18
Walter Wehner*	1967-68	James Kohl	2018-19
Dr. Robert Robinson*	1968-69	Jacqueline Thornhill	2019-20
Harold Wandesforde*	1969-70	Richard Jost	2020-21
Mark C. Mielke*	1970-71	Mike Ballard	2021-22
Dr. Harold Boyer*	1971-72	Caty Crockett	2022-23
Angelo J. Manzi*	1972-73	* Deceased	
Keith Ashworth*	1973-74		

## **CALENDAR**

08/03 Speakers: Kim McMahon & Brian Riley

Youth Exchange Program

08/03 Social: 25 Club Meeting & New Member Orientation

Brian Riley's Home - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

08/10 Speaker: Christopher Rivera, LVMPD Gang Unit

Gang Activity in Las Vegas

08/17 Speaker: **Althar Hassebullah**, Director of ACLU Nevada

**Current Projects** 

08/20 Event: Lego Competition at the Discovery Museum

12:30pm – 4:30pm

08/24 Speaker: Dr. Michael Mercer, Author

Hire the Best and Avoid the Rest

08/31 Speaker: **John Pretto**, CTO

Artificial Intelligence – A Primer

09/07 Speaker: Lewis Jordan, Director of Regional Housing Authority

Low Income Housing

09/09 Event: Highway Clean Up



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Rita Burton August 02 Melanie Muldowney August 12 Jarrid Cavanaugh August 24 Matthew Phillips August 19 Virginia Knudsen August 27 Raymond Allen Wagner August 23 James Kohl August 18 Susan Ziobro August 06 Steven Latta August 08



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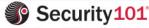
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## **SCRIBE - JULY 27, 2023**

**President Toni Kern** started us promptly at 12:15. **Don Holland** presented our invocation and also served as song leader where he led us in Battle Hymn of the Republic. President Toni thanked the meeting helpers without whom our meeting could not run.

There were 0 international guests, 0 visiting Rotarians, 4 guests of Rotarians and 0 guests of the club. President Toni introduced the head table which included our speaker **Michael Bahr**, **Niki Bates**, and **Antoinette Monroe**.

#### **Announcements:**

Antoinette Monroe recapped the Alpine Picnic which included over 80 RSVPs and thanks to **Tom and Leslie Thomas** for hosting in their amazing mountain home. Antoinette also mentioned that the next 25 Club meeting will be August 3rd at Brian Riley's home. Niki Bates told us that also on August 3rd we will have a New Member Orientation at the same time so it is going to be a big night at Brian's home! **PP Jim Kohl** gave an update about Summer Santa Clothes. Jim highlighted that this is our foundation dollars at work so kudos to everybody for building that foundation! Stu Lipoff told us about the Lego competition/service project which is August 20th at the Children's Discovery Museum. There is still room for more volunteers so reach out to Stu if interested. Kimberly McMahon gave us a report on our incoming RYE student, Mateo from Chile, who will be arriving August 2nd. Self proclaimed "Future President" Austin Wyrick told us about the TLC leadership camp which is upcoming for 8th graders. Our Sergeant at Arms, Arleen Sirois brought her best friend with her today, **Luann Wagner**. Luann is the Interact advisor at Clark High. We had the drawing next where John Peiser got \$10 rather than the pot which is over \$3,000 and Brian Riley won \$50 in Lawry's bucks! We next had a sad farewell where President Toni presented **PP Jackie** Thornhill with a lovely framed Centennial Rotary Group photo at her last meeting before her pending move to North Carolina to be with family.

After over 10 minutes of fellowship time **Dr. Niki Bates** introduced our guest speaker, **Michael Bahr.** Mr. Bahr is from the Utah Shakespeare Festival and shared a ton of interesting information about the festival and Cedar City itself. After his presentation Mr. Bahr was presented with a copy of our Centennial book and the Salute to Service award which represents a donation made to the USO Military Family Support Programs. We were then adjourned at 1:28ish on the dot. - **John Palley** 



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