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SVP of Sales & Marketing for the Sphere

Nehme E. Abouzeid currently serves as SVP of Sales & Marketing for Sphere, a next-generation venue in Las Vegas set to redefine the future of live entertainment when it opens in the fall of 2023. In this role, he oversees show ticket sales, premium suite sales, and event sales as well as consumer & B2B marketing.



In a two-decade career as a marketing executive and consultant, he has been at the forefront of the biggest inflection points in the hospitality and gaming industry, from opening the first Las Vegasstyle resorts in Asia and ushering in the pro sports boom in Las Vegas to the expansion of legalized sports betting nationwide.

He has been the CMO of Bally Bet, the first CMO of the Stanley Cup champion Vegas Golden Knights, and was a key contributor to Wynn Resorts and Las Vegas Sands Corporation during the casino industry's seminal global growth period in the early 2000s.

A Massachusetts native, he holds an MBA from Babson College and a BA from The George Washington University. He is on the board of Nevada Public Radio and is a past chairman of the education non-profit After-School All Stars. September 21, 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?

- August Foundation Giving: \$2,400 presented to the USO Military Family Support Programs (Salute To Service Awards presented weekly to our Speakers).
- August Giving: 304 Teacher Superstore Gift Cards funded by the Club and distributed by the Public Education Foundation, and the Director/Chairs of Education Committee to each of the 6 Elementary Schools supported by our Club
- August NV Wheelchair Foundation's Rotary "A" Team: 3 Deliveries of Wheelchairs and 6 Hours Moving Wheelchairs Remotely.
- August Foundation Club Giving: Restricted funds will result in 38 pairs of shoes being given to selected students in each of our 6 supported schools.

The Las Vegas Rotary Club's Mission:

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

CLUB OFFICERS 2023-2024



President Toni Kern President Elect Kirk Alexander **Immediate Past President** Caty Crockett

Secretary Stu Lipoff

Treasurer Bruce Frazev **Elected Directors** Dan Adamson Kirk Alexander Niki Bates Tina Bishop Mike Cudiamat Carev Grohs Stuart Lipoff Melanie Jo Muldowney John Palley Susan Ziobro

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Over the last 20 years, Las Vegas has seen a wave of innovative architecture that has transformed its skyline and contributed to the city's reputation as a global entertainment and resort destination. It spans from notable architectural developments in resorts, shopping, entertainment and sports.

In 2009 a massive mixed-used development designed by world renowned architects like Cesar Pelli and Helmut Jahn brought the City Center to the Strip. In 2010, the Cosmopolitan, known for its distinctive, unconventional design, features an innovative vertical layout with its signature multi-story chandelier bar and various terraces offering stunning views of the Las Vegas Strip. In 2014, the High Roller, the world's tallest observation wheel, standing at 550 feet, added a new dimension to the Las Vegas skyline.

A state-of-the-art arena, T-Mobile, constructed in 2016 is home to the NHL's Vegas Golden Knights and has become a major entertainment hub, not to be outdone in 2020 by the Home to the NFL's Las Vegas Raiders, Allegiant Stadium, a cuttingedge, domed stadium with a sleek, futuristic design. Its retractable field and advanced technology make it one of the most innovative sports venues.

In 2021, Resorts World, an integrated resort complex that features a blend of modern and traditional design elements, with a large LED video screen on its west tower and a rooftop infinity pool overlooking the Strip, provided yet another venue of interest to Las Vegas.

Now, in 2023, we are fascinated by the MSG Sphere, a massive, spherical entertainment venue with advanced audiovisual technology that aims to redefine the concert and entertainment experience in Las Vegas.

The city's commitment to reinventing itself as a destination for entertainment. business, and leisure has driven the development of cutting-edge architectural designs and iconic structures that continue to captivate visitors from around the world.

Rotary has, likewise, continued to evolve and innovate in various ways over the past 20 years, whether through Polio Eradication Efforts (2000-present), Rotary Foundation's Centennial Campaign (2013-2017), Rotary Peace Centers (2002-present), Rotaract Expansion (2019-present), Virtual Meetings and Digital Engagement (2020-present), Environmental Sustainability Initiatives (ongoing), Rotary's Online Community (2014-present), Rotary's "People of Action" Campaign (2017-present), Youth Programs and Leadership Development (ongoing), and Increased Diversity and Inclusion Efforts (ongoing).

These innovations and initiatives within Rotary International over the past two decades reflect the organization's commitment to addressing global challenges. fostering peace, and making a positive impact on communities around the world. Rotary's ability to adapt to changing times and engage a new generation of members has been key to its continued success. Are you surprised?



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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
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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

- 09/21 **Speaker:** Nehme Abouzeid, SVP of Sales & Marketing *The Sphere*
- 09/24 **Social**: Las Vegas Aviators Game,

Free Tickets Compliments of Junior Achievement

09/25 **Social:** 9-Hole Golf Putting Tournament & BBQ

Angel Park Golf Club — 5:30pm

- 09/28 **Speaker:** Bill McConnell, Super Bowl Committee, *Plans and Overview*
- 10/05 **Speaker:** Rick Meyers, Commercial Real Estate Veteran How the Global Supply Chain Impacts Commercial Real Estate

Event: 25 Club Meeting at PKWY Tavern

I-215 West and Flamingo — 6:00pm

10/12 **Speaker:** Jordan Harrison, Inspirational Speaker,

Education Consultant and Rotarian

- 10/12 **Event:** Wetzel Awards, Nellis Air Force Base 3:30pm
- 10/19 **Speakers:** Director of Development, Will Abbott and CEO Michelle Jackson *New Junior Achievement Inspiration Center*
- 10/19 **Event:** Wetzel Award Winners, Guests of the Club Today
- 10/21 **Event:** Wine to Water, Debi Howard's Home 6:00pm 10344 Neopolitan Place, Las Vegas, NV 89144



10/05

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September Rotarian Birthdays

Jerry Brown	September 29	Kimberly McMahon	September 03
Catherine Crockett	September 12	Edward G. Phillips	September 15
Jeffrey Geihs	September 28	Janet Seul-Ki Ravin	September 09
Debra Howard	September 22	Jerry Sennes	September 12
Richard Jost	September 25	Rampur Viswanath	September 16
Sidra Kain	September 19	Warren Todd Walter	September 19



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Tina Bishop Announces the Speakers



Todd Walter from the Boy Scouts Introduces his Guest



Bob Werner Gives LVRC Flag to Visiting Rotarian from Sweden



President Toni Kern Presents the Salute to Service Award to Speakers PP Jim Kohl and Jerry Engel



Opening Ceremonies with Susan Ziobro, Tonya Wagle and President Toni Kern



Debi Howard with Visiting Rotarians



Debi Howard Accepts Flag Exchange from Visiting Rotarian

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ROTARY CLUB



Jimmy Navarro Did Not Pull the Joker, But Won \$10



Rosalee Hedrick Intoduces the Corporate Membership Program



Welcome to Judith Pinkerton Past Club Member



PP Caty Crockett and President Toni Present Grant to the Smith Center for Access to the Arts



Gary Vause Introduces His Guests Who Are New Tiberti Fellows



Jerry Engel President Toni Kern

Head Table:

Speaker PP Jim Kohl

Speaker

Toni Kern and Jerry's Guest

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SCRIBE - SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

President Toni Kern called the meeting to order at 12:15.

Susan Ziobro gave the invocation and **Tonya Wagle** led us in the song, followed by the pledge. **President Toni Kern** thanked the meeting helpers including **Debi Howard** as Sergeant at Arms.

Bob Werner presented LVRC banner to a international Rotarian from Sweden. Visiting Rotarians were from Iowa, Oregon, and Idaho (former member Judith Pinkerton). Guests of the Club were introduced by **Dr. Niki Bates; and Annee Nounna, Gary Vause, Cary Grohs, and PP Caty Crockett** made introductions for their guests. **President Toni Kern** introduced the head table.

Antoinette Monroe reported on the 25 Club meeting hosted by **Don Holland.** The program was provided by **Kimberly McMahon** and **Mike Cudiamat** covering the Rotary Youth Exchange. Homes are needed for 2 students arriving in January. The annual Food Drive fundraiser is now through Thanksgiving with a goal of \$10K. A \$5K match will be made by PP **Tom & Leslie Thomas.** Incentives include a Giving Tuesday drive at the Lazy Dog through 10/31. The next 25 Club meeting will be on October 5 at PKWY Tavern at I-215 (west) and Flamingo.

Debi Howard told us about this week's Breakfast with Books with 79 students at Beckley Elementary.

Gwen Hall announced the Candy Drive for our adopted schools. Donations will be accepted until October 12. Gwen provided an update from the Education Committee and she and **Barbara Castro** introduced guests from Walter Bracken, Hollingsworth, and Walter Long elementary schools.

President Toni reported on the annual SOAR awards at the City of Las Vegas on 9/12. Six members attended.

PP Jim Kohl announced Santa Clothes on December 7 and that Howard and Howard is generously donating \$5,000 toward Santa Clothes for the Kids. **PP Ginger Anderson** secured a \$50K matching grant from the Englestad Foundation. The match will expire on October 31. Reach out to **PPs Jim Kohl and Ginger Anderson** to volunteer to promote the Santa Claus program at other clubs.

Youth Program Director **Susan Ziobro** announced that applications are now available for the student contestants. See **David Jones** for Dan Stover Music Contest and **Rodney Tucker** for the 4-Way Speech Contest.

Rosalee Hedrick asked members to look at Wheel for details about corporate memberships and the vetting process.

See **Shawn Noorda** for Aviator Tickets for September 24th. Many thanks to **Will Abbott** and Junior Achievement for the tickets.

LVRF President **Bill Stieren** announced five new Tiberti Fellows – **Nancy Anderson, Bruce Frazey, Linda Vause, Brandi Vause and Lisa Vause.**

Drawing for the Pot of \$4,617 was **Jimmy Navarro** who received \$10, and **Bill Stieren** for the Lawry's Bucks.

PP Caty Crocket made a check presentation to the Smith Center. This is the 2nd installment of the two-year grant award for Access to the Arts for students and professional development for teachers.

Tina Bishop introduced **Jerry Engel** who spoke about the history of the US Constitution and impact of the Bill of Rights. Both **Jerry Engel and PP James Kohl** received the Salute to Service Award and a copy of LVRC's 100th Anniversary book

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ROTARIANS IN ACTION







Top: (L) Mystery Photo (R) Clark Interact Visit Middle: (L) Rotarians Meet Up at Chamber Event (R) Highway Clean Up Below: Highway Clean Up with Entire Group including; Palo Verde Students and Exchange Student Mateo; Rotarians at SOAR











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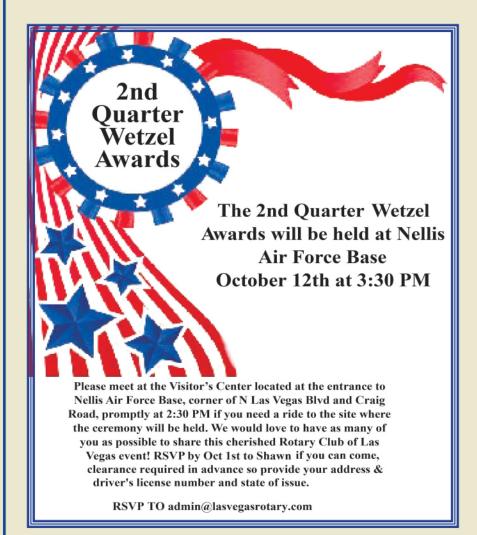
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