





# **Kim Spurgeon**

Director of the Nevada Film Office



When you think about iconic films such as "Rain Man" and "The Misfits," Hollywood has long played a role in capturing the Nevada spirit on the silver screen. Television, film, and other video production also play a role in Nevada's economy.

Kim Spurgeon is the Director of the Nevada Film Office, a division of the Governor's Office of Economic Development, where she promotes the growth of the film industry in the state and advises senior leadership on

industry-related policy. She also manages the state's film tax incentive program and monitors the trends of these programs both domestically and internationally.

The Nevada Film Office was established in 1982 as the Division of Motion Pictures and operates within the Governor's Office of Economic Development. The Nevada Film Office markets Nevada as a production destination for film, television, commercials, and other forms of audiovisual media to generate economic impact through job creation and instate production spending. The office facilitates connections with local crew, vendors, and services, as well as identifies filming locations, assists with the permitting processes, and coordinates intergovernmental cooperation statewide. The Nevada Film Office also administers the Transferable Tax Credit for Film and Other Productions program to attract productions to film in the state and encourage growth of the industry in Nevada.

Prior to her current role, Kim worked as a production manager on commercials, feature films and television shows, including "Behind the Candelabra," "Now You See Me," and "Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2." During this time, she advanced her industry knowledge and built invaluable relationships with the crew members and vendors she now serves in her role at the Nevada Film Office. She earned a bachelor's degree in communications with a concentration in film from Elon University.

In 2023, Kim was presented with the "Get \$#it Done" award by Governor Lombardo for her exceptional work in state service.

April 4, 2024

#### 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?

- March Service: 6 Rotarians and 1 friend of Rotary participated in Nevada Reading Week providing a total of 14.5 hrs of volunteer service.
- March Community Grant: \$25,000 was presented to Spread The Word Nevada continuing support of Will Beckley ES.
- March Nevada Wheelchair: the 'A' team delivered 5 adult wheelchairs for a total of 10 volunteer hours; a total of 249 'A' team deliveries to date; and PP Brock Frazer and John Williams worked total of 6 hours helping a new nonprofit in Las Vegas that helps the Nevada Wheelchair Foundation with storage.
- March Fundraising Social: In excess of 60 Members and friends attended the 29th Cigar Social raising about \$1,500 for the Foundation APF fund, bringing lifetime total to \$26,694.

# The Las Vegas Rotary Club's Mission:

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

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Over the past decade, we have witnessed Nevada's significant growth in innovative architecture, but also the remarkable surge in the growth of professional sports, technology, and the movie industry, cementing its status as a dynamic hub for entertainment and innovation. Yet, would it surprise you to know that Nevada has been involved in the movie industry for over a century? The state's involvement in film production dates back to the early 20th century. One of the earliest notable films shot in Nevada is "The Round-Up," directed by Cecil B. DeMille, which was filmed partially in Reno in 1919.

Nevada's prominence in the film industry grew significantly with the rise of Las Vegas as an entertainment capital in the mid-20th century. The city's vibrant nightlife, iconic casinos, and unique desert landscapes made it a popular location for filming movies, particularly those featuring themes of gambling, heists, and the glitz of Las Vegas.

Numerous famous films have been shot in Nevada over the years, including classics like "Ocean's Eleven" (1960), "Casino" (1995), and more recent hits like "The Hangover" (2009). Nevada has been the setting for many scenes in various genres, from dramas to comedies to action films. The state's diverse landscapes, including the Las Vegas Strip, the Mojave Desert, and Lake Tahoe, have provided filmmakers with a wide range of settings for their stories.

Nevada's movie industry has flourished, attracting filmmakers from around the world to its diverse landscapes and state-of-the-art production facilities. Las Vegas serves as a popular filming location for various movies, TV shows, and commercials due to its iconic landmarks, vibrant atmosphere, and favorable tax incentives for filmmakers.

Blockbuster movies, independent films, and television series have found a home in Nevada, contributing to its cultural vibrancy and generating substantial revenue for local businesses.

As Nevada continues to evolve as a magnet for sports, technology, and entertainment, the synergy between these industries promises to fuel further growth, create a more diverse and resilient economy, and establishing the state as a global leader in innovation and creativity.

By embracing innovation and fostering a business-friendly environment, the state continues to attract investment and create opportunities for economic growth in the years ahead.



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PAST	PRE	SIDENTS	
Les Saunders*	1923-24	Robert E. O'Connell*	1974-75
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		2022 23
Keith Ashworth*	1973-74	* Deceased	
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### CALENDAR

Speaker: Kim Spurgeon, Director, Nevada Film Office 04/04

**Event:** RYE Vegas Weekend 4/4 – 4/7 04/04

04/04 **Event:** 25 Club Meeting/Potluck at Arleen Sirois' Home 6:00 pm

04/06 **Event:** Touch-A-Truck with "Family To Family" 6:00 am

Event: Highway Clean Up, Bonnie Springs Ranch 9:00 am 04/06

**Event:** Breakfast with Books, Will Beckley Elementary 7:15 am 04/09

04/11 **Speaker:** Kim Weingartner, KT Grace

04/11 **Event:** Wetzell Awards, Nellis Air Force Base, Arrive at 2:30 pm

04/13 **Event:** Wine to Water, Antoinette Monroe's Home 6:00 pm

Event: 4-Way Speech, 7477 W. Lake Mead Blvd., Rm. 110 9:00 am 04/13

04/15 **Event:** Regional Dan Stover Awards, Lawry's, SW Rotary 12:00 pm

04/18 **Event:** Westcare Suit Drive, Bring Donations

**Speaker:** Michelle Romero, Mayor of Henderson 04/18

04/19 **Event:** Green Our Planet, Student Farmer's Market, DT Summerlin

06/07 **Event:** VIP Tour, Advanced Engineering Building at UNLV 2:00 pm



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#### April Rotarian Birthdays Erik Astramecki April 6 Steven Kwon April 22 Aaron Campillo April 25 Annee Nounna April 18 Sarah Elizabeth Rothwell April Rosalee Hedrick April 24 27 Kirk Holmes April 19 **David Thorson** April 22



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SAA Tucker Sapp with Susan Ziobro.



alee Hedrick Enjoying a



A Special Moment for PP Jim Kohl as He Honors His Sons Jack and Kyle as Paul Harris Fellows Plus 3.



President's Table L to R: PE Kirk Alexander, Terry Perkins from the Green Valley Rotary Club, President Toni Kern and Speaker Linda Bertuzzi.



Arleen Sirois and President Toni Kern with PP Jim Kohl and Family after a Beautiful Paul Harris Plus 3 Ceremony for the Kohl Family Unfortunately, Judith Kohl was Unable to Attend the Meeting, but We Congratulate and Thank Her as Well.

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# **ROTARY CLUB**



which President Toni Presentd to Winner Nikki Junium.



Arleen Sirois Won the Lawry's Bucks.



President Toni Kern Presented the Salute to Service Award and the LVRC's Centennial Book to Speaker Linda Bertuzzi and Terry Perkins.





"John and Yoko" Frederico Were the Backdrop to Today's Song, "Imagine". Jason Frederico Chose "Imagine" Because it Embodies the Mission of Rotary.



PP Tom Krob Delivered





of the Annual Fundraiser.



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**JASON BUCKLEY** 

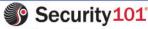
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# **SCRIBE – March 28, 2024**

**President Toni Kern** called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm. **PP Tom Krob** offered a heartfelt invocation and **Jason Frederico** led us in singing John Lennon's classic "Imagine." We all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joining **President Kern** at the President's table: guest speaker Linda Bertuzzi, Terry Perkins from the Green Valley Rotary Club and **PE Kirk Alexander**. We had 1 International Visitor, 4 Visiting Rotarians, 5 Guests of Rotarians, 1 Guest of the Club.

#### **Announcements**

Barbara Castro & Dr. Michael Williams recapped a successful RYLA weekend 3/22 - 3/24. Special thanks to **Susan Ziobro** for helping organize. **PE Kirk** Alexander and Susan Ziobro reminded us of the ongoing Rotary Foundation fundraiser. Larry Cohn hopes you can attend the next 25 Club meeting on 4/4. Tina Bishop noted that 4/9 will be last Breakfast with Books for this school year. We meet at Will Beckley at 7:15 AM and you can be out by around 8am. President Toni Kern hopes you can join us on 4/9 at 9am for the Highway Clean Up followed by brunch at Jerry Sennes' home. Don Holland reminded us that the next Wetzel Awards will be on 4/11. Susan Ziobro informed us that the 4-Way Speech AREA Competition (follows club level) will be on Saturday, 4/13 9-11 AM at 7477 W Lake Mead Blvd., Antoinette Monroe alerted us to the fast-approaching Wine to Water fundraiser at her home on 4/13 between 6-9 PM in support of charitywater.org. **David Jones** looks forward to seeing you on 4/15 12-1:30 PM for the regional Dan Stover Music Competition at Lawry's. PP Caty Crockett spoke about how impactful the recent club visit to Opportunity Village was and gave special thanks to **Rosalee Hedrick** for organizing it. Lastly, President Kern noted that volunteers are needed on 4/9 between 9-10 AM at the Smith Center to greet students for Drum Tao (2-4 volunteer openings remaining); She invited us on 5/12 at 3:00 PM at Smith Center for the NV High School Musical Theater Awards where nominees for best actor/actress in High School plays are offered scholarships; and reminded us of the Touch A Truck event on 4/6 and Green Our Planet Farmers Market is coming 4/19.

#### **Presentations**

**Arleen Sirois** presented **PP Jim Kohl's** family with the Paul Harris Fellow plus 3. Honored were his two sons Jack and Kyle. Unfortunately, his wife Judith was not able to attend the ceremony.

#### The Raffle

**Tina Bishop** won the raffle drawing but did not draw the joker! (Yeah) **Arleen Sirois** won the Lawry Bucks. **Nikki Junium** won a picture frame donated by **Annee Nounna**. And the pot continues to grow!

**PP Mary Ann Avnet**, via video, introduced Speaker Linda Bertuzzi who shared about her recent trip as historian on the 2024 Cebu Rotoplast trip to the Philippines. Not a dry eye in the house.

Our speaker and visiting Rotarian Linda Bertuzzi was awarded the Salute to Service Award which represents a donation made in her honor to the USO Military Family Support Program and the Las Vegas Rotary Club's legacy book. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.



### **ROTARIANS IN ACTION**









RYE Student Mateo at RYLA

Dr. Michael Williams at RYLA

PP Brock Fraser and PP Jim Hunt Delivering Wheelchairs for the Wheelchair Foundation. Over 250 Wheelchairs Have Been Delivered to Date.









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