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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?

DECEMBER

- \$3,500.00 Grant to New Horizon Academy for band equipment and professional outfitting.

JANUARY

- \$33,333.33 donation made to Santa Clothes by a longtime member, Chris Rodenfels.
- \$20,000.00 donated by members to support CA fire victims.
- \$1,500.00 Grant made to CASA Foundation, Children's Foundation of Las Vegas for Tutoring of Foster Youth.



Judith Pinkerton

Music Therapy Clinician & Internship Director

Judith Pinkerton's passion for music therapy was ignited in Alaska (1986) when her solo violin music replaced medication post-surgery in a hospital for her husband, and recently (2023) when she saved her father from death, an ICU patient whose healing was described by the medical team as "scientifically unexplainable."

As a music therapy clinician and internship director, author, TEDx speaker, recording artist, online educator, and published researcher, Judith has presented at many national conferences and is the first to receive state-issued music therapy licenses in the USA. With over twenty years experience helping individuals from womb to tomb, she has treated more than 11,000 patients in residential addiction treatment centers.

Aflac and the Academy of Country Music produced a TV commercial (2018) featuring Judith as their first recipient of the Lifting Lives Honor. As the innovator of the evidence-based practice of the Music4Life® Music Medicine Protocol, Judith authored the music therapy-informed patented Key2MEE® music app with Amazon companion book "Thriving Through Adversity: Prescriptive Playlists to Reclaim Joy, Peace and Purpose in Life," both released just this week, in addition to accredited curricula, prescriptive playlists and therapeutic programs offering self-regulation clinical strategies to support mental health. Focused on training mental health providers to disrupt patterns of music listening habits for clients trapped in Chronic Comfort Zones™, Judith is expanding channels to generate empathy, cooperation, and compassion that nourish mental health. Join a strong network of powerful voices to change the culture of music creation and consumption for a New World.

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Through her writing, Mary Shelley explored themes of social injustice, the plight of the marginalized, and the dangers of unchecked power. These themes implicitly advocate for a more equitable and compassionate society. Her parents, Mary Wollstonecraft and William Godwin, were known for their radical and progressive views, including advocating for social justice and women's rights. This environment likely shaped her own values.

Rotary International is a global network of service clubs that promotes peace, fights disease, provides clean water, supports education, and saves mothers and children. Shelley's literary works often grappled with profound ethical questions, exploring themes of human suffering, the abuse of power, and the importance of compassion and empathy. These resonate strongly with Rotary's commitment to humanitarian service.

Rotary emphasizes the importance of intellectual growth and the exchange of ideas. Shelley's dedication to intellectual pursuits, evident in her writing and her engagement with the intellectual circles of her time, aligns with this value.

These shared values, evident in her work, such as the plight of the working class in Frankenstein, suggest a strong alignment with Rotary's mission. This is your club, Love it!

Let's Build Something Together!

Kirk

SCRIBE – JANUARY 30, 2025

President Kirk called the meeting to order at 12:15pm.

Giving the invocation, **Tarby Bryant** asked for 10 seconds of silence for the mid-air crash over the Potomac River and led us in prayer. **Eric Schimmoeller** introduced us to a bluegrass version of the national anthem by Steep Canyon Rangers. **Steve Casey** was Sergeant-at-Arms and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **President Kirk** led us in reciting the 4 Way Test.

In today's Rotary Moment, **Gwen Hall** recounted her first years enjoying youth programs like Reading Week and TLC, but this Rotary moment was the invitation to join the Education Committee by our former member Marie Walsh, known to say "we do this for the children."

President Kirk thanked all who set up and helped in today's meeting and introduced at the Head Table our own **David Jones**, **Tucker Sappington**, and "Captain **Kirk**" **Holmes**.

President Kirk informed all the Superbowl Board is now "sold out", talked about the upcoming District training, and reminded all to RSVP to Shawn so we can have tighter numbers for Lawry's.

Las Vegas Rotary Foundation (LVRFF) President **Jim Kohl** was glad to recognize **Kirk Holmes** and **David Jones** as our newest Tiberti Fellows and encouraged all to continue to support the permanent fund through the Las Vegas Rotary Foundation.

Recognizing guests, **Larry Goldstein** introduced his wife Paula, **Lin Ng** introduced our newest member **Jasmine Brown's** mother, and **Mike Ballard** introduced an associate from Utah.

Melanie Muldowney led the induction of our three newest members. **Dr. Jeff Geihs** introduced new member **AJ Adams** with NASA. **Lin Ng** introduced new member **Jasmine Brown** who is also Miss Black Nevada USA. **Larry Cohn** introduced new member **Kimberley Kistler** with the Las Vegas Philharmonic.

In the raffle, **Randy Campanale** did not find the Joker, and **Randy Donald** won Lawry's Bucks.

Larry Goldstein was MC for the 4 Way Test Speech Contest today, having four students representing three high schools. The four students presented in random order. Larry gave a special thank you to Ken Richardson and the team of Distinguished Toastmasters for their support in today's competition. Announcing the winners in order, Madison from Trinity International HS took fourth, Emelio from Cristo Rey Prep took third, Sarah from Trinity International HS was runner up, and Malon from Bishop Gorman won and will be advancing.

President Kirk closed with words from RI President Stephanie Urchick and adjourned the meeting at 1:30pm.



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- February 13** Wetzel Awards 3:00 pm
- February 13** Len Jussup, Black Fire Venture Capital Fund & Former UNLV President
- February 15-17** Mayor's Cup – Host Families Needed February 11-21
- February 20** Dan Stover Music Competition
- February 20-21** Financial Literacy Service Opportunity
- February 25** CAE Las Vegas Corporate Tour
- February 27** Las Vegas Mayor Shelley Berkley
- March 6-9** Rotary Youth Exchange Las Vegas Visit Host Families & Drivers Needed
- March 11** Rotary District 5300 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards



The first place winner in this year's Four Way Speech Contest was Milan Prete from Bishop Gorman High School



Larry Goldstein and President Kirk with the Four Way Speech Contest participants



Four Way Speech Contest participants



PP Randy Donald won the Lawry's Bucks



PP Randy Campanale did NOT pick the Joker!



New members of the club (from left) AJ Adams, Jasmine Brown, Kimberly Kistler with their club sponsors



Gwen Hall shares her Rotary Monment



Guests were greeted by Elliot Harris

Current Raffle Amount \$4,362.00

February Rotarian Birthdays

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|-------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Steven S. Casey | February 8 | William K. Stephan, MD | February 24 |
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