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August 7, 2025

John Chase

Chief Operating Officer Zone 26 and 27



John lives in Henderson, NV with his wife Elizabeth – they have two adult children, Ashley and Meghan.

John joined Rotary in 2001 as an opportunity to serve his community. He served as president of the Rotary Club of Boulder City during the 2004 – 2005 Rotary year. John has been recognized as Rotarian of Year, served as Executive Assistant Governor, Assistant Governor, and RYLA Chair three times. He was also instrumental in the establishment of the district's first Satellite Club. John served as District Governor for District 5300 throughout the 2018 –2019 Rotary year where two new Rotary Clubs and one Rotaract Club were chartered.

John has served as chairperson for the Big West New Club Development Task Force during the 2021 – 2022 and was the Zone 26 Rotary Membership Coordinator 2022 – 2025. He was recently recognized by the Rotary International Board of Directors with the Service Above Self Award.

John and Elizabeth own and operate Amerisent Insurance – Boulder City, an independent insurance brokerage office. John retired from the Boulder City Police Department in 2014 at the rank of Deputy Chief.

Upcoming Speakers

Growth – Vegas, The Future is Bright

Membership Impact

08/07	PDG John Chase	Club Member/Engagement	Past District Governor
08/14	Rick Upchurch	NFL Retired, Denver Broncos	Former Wide Receiver
08/21	DG Gilda Moshir	District Governor's Visit	District 5300 Governor
08/28	Francesco Arezzo	Rotary Year 2025 - 2026	Dual Speakers: RI President & Video
08/28	Pam Lang	Rotary's Impact on Community	Pamela Lang Consulting

Innovation

09/04	Rafael Villanueva	Travel Nevada	CEO
09/11	Justin Hopkins	Department of Transportation	Public Involvement Specialist
09/18	Dori Koren	Homeland Security & Investigative Service	Assistant Sheriff
09/25	Emilisa Saunders	Ice Age State Park	Interpretive Ranger

Innovation

10/02	Raleigh Midura	Switch	Executive VP Enterprise Sales
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Our Club's Accomplishments

Good People, Doing Good Things, for People in Need.

- On August 2, a heartwarming effort came full circle when Patrick Ballinger of the Boy Scouts of America-Las Vegas Area Council, and member of our club, picked up a donation of 400 stuffed animals and 350 hand-crafted wooden toy trucks, to distribute to children throughout the community. August 2025.
- \$905 has been raised through 2 auctions for the 2025 Canned Food Drive before the event is even officially kicked off. July 2025.
- PP Jim Hunt presented \$1,058 on behalf of the Affiliate Adjuster Association to be used for Santa Clothes. July 2025.
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Check It Out!

August is Membership and New Club Development month. Our club's membership goal for 2025 - 2026 is to grow from 112 to 120 members.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

2025 - 2026

Rotary International President
Francesco Arezzo

District 5300 Governor
Gilda Moshir

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders who work to address critical issues like promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, supporting education, and growing local economies.

Rotary clubs around the world foster fellowship, encourage high ethical standards, and work to advance goodwill and peace.

THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB'S MISSION:

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

LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS 2025-2026

President

Janice Lencke

President Elect

Greg Maguire

Immediate Past President

Kirk Alexander

Secretary

Melanie Muldowney

Treasurer

Rita Burton

Elected Directors

Nancy Anderson

Niki Brunetti

Larry Cohn

Don Holland

David Jones

Antoinette Monroe

Melanie Muldowney

Brian Riley

Sarah Thornton

Susan Ziobro

Past

President Representative

Tom Krob

President's Message



The month of August is Membership impact month. Our members, know being a Las Vegas Rotary Club member, offers personal, professional, and community benefits. Being a Rotary member means becoming part of a global network of dedicated individuals committed to making a difference. It is about service, leadership, fellowship, and impact.

Here is what we can actively share with prospective members as to the benefits of Rotary.

1. Community Impact & Service
2. Professional & Business Networking
3. Personal Growth & Leadership Development
4. Weekly Meetings & Inspiring Speakers
5. International Connections & Travel
6. Friendship & Social Activities
7. Access to Rotary Resources & Programs

I ask, however, what can we all do better to promote Rotary to our business associates and friends? The best statement you can share with potential members; "If you're enthusiastic about giving back, building connections, and growing personally and professionally, Las Vegas Rotary Club membership is a fantastic opportunity!"

Thank you for making an impact.

Janice

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Heartbeat of the Las Vegas
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*Rotary Superhero's:
President Janice Lencke
& PE Greg Maguire*

09/20	1:00pm - 2:45pm	Serve Lunch at Salvation Army	Owens Campus
10/04	9:00am	Highway Clean-up & Brunch	Bonnie Springs, Hwy. 159, Marker 5
10/16	7:00am	Green Our Planet: Fall Giant Student's Farmers Market	Clark County Government Building
10/18	8:00am - 3:00pm	Rotary Park Clean-up	901 Hinson Street
10/18	8:30am	One Drop Walk for Water	Springs Preserve
11/26	12:00pm - 1:30pm	Canned Food Drive Presentation	Lawry's Lunch Meeting
12/04	7:30am - 10:00am	Santa Clothes	Local JC Penney Stores

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Social and Special Events

08/14	2:30pm - 3:30pm	Memorial Garden Dedication at PBS Vegas
08/26	2:00pm	Ability Center at Betty's Village - Opportunity Village
09/11	12:15pm	Guest of the Club: Elementary School Partners
09/15	8:30am	SOAR - Clark County Chambers at Government Center
09/25	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Cigar Social at Tom Krob's
10/03	5:30pm	Tiberti Classic Putting Tournament at Angel Park
10/09	12:15pm	Guests of the Club: Elementary School Partners
10/28	2:00pm - 4:00pm	VIP Tour - Mabel Hoggard Math & Science Magnet ES

HONORING ONE OF OUR OWN

Vegas PBS and the Werner & Maletich Families invite you to the:

Robert G. "Bob" and Deanna K. Werner Family and Maletich Family
Memorial Garden Dedication

August 14 VEGAS PBS
2:30 pm 3050 E. FLAMINGO
LAS VEGAS, NV 89121



RSVP: CONTACT NIKI BRUNETTI -
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DID YOU KNOW!

Rotary membership connects individuals with a global network focused on service, leadership, development and creating positive change.



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<http://ffthwheel.lvrrotary.us>

August Rotarian Birthdays

James Kohl.....August 18

Lin Ng.....August 30

Matthew Phillips.....August 19

Melanie Muldowney.....August 12

Al Wagner.....August 23

Rita BurtonAugust 02

Susan Ziobro.....August 06



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Rotary History

THE MORE OF US THAT COME TOGETHER, THE MORE WE CAN ACHIEVE.

On August 15, 1910, Rotary held its first convention in Chicago, setting the stage for a global movement of service.

From 17 clubs and 1,000 members then, to over 46,000 clubs and 1.4 million members across 200 countries today, Rotary's growth has been nothing short of remarkable.

The ability to serve more, reach farther, and complete projects quicker happens when we increase Rotary membership.

Our founders set the example of making membership growth a priority. Today, we are meeting the challenge with flexibility and new ways of envisioning a Rotary Club.



Scribe Notes

July 31, 2025 - President Janice called the meeting to order at 12:15pm. **PP Brock Fraser** led us in prayer giving the invocation and "God Bless America" in song. **Elliott Harris** was Sergeant-at-Arms and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **President Janice** thanked all who helped in today's meeting and kicked off with attendance fines for **Dan Adamson** and **PP Ginger Anderson** as well as recognizing "Rotarians on the road" in Iowa and Laguna Beach.

Bob Werner introduced former member Jerry Pribile, now an international guest visiting from London, Canada with his wife. District Area Governor Rebecca Fritz from Red Rock Rotary and IPDG Mike Driebe from the San Marino club were visiting today. **Kirk Holmes** introduced two guests.

President Janice introduced the President's table and had two "surprise and delight" treats won by **Eric Schimmoeller** and **PP Mike Ballard**.

IPDG Mike Driebe presented the club with four district awards for this last Rotary year.

President Janice brought attention to the new Wheel featuring **Randall Brody** in the Member Spotlight. **Carey Grohs** gave an update on 10k in clothing purchased from JC Penny for Summer Santa Clothes, and had items left at the Alpine Picnic. **Mijung Lombardi** recapped the 25 Club social last week and invited all to the next social hosted at the home of **Antoinette Monroe**. **President Janice** recognized Membership Impact Month. **Dr. Niki Brunetti** invited all to a special celebration of our own **Bob Werner**, wife Deanna, and family at Vegas PBS. Please RSVP with **Niki**. **President Janice** announced needed A/V support during the meetings.

In the raffle, **David Jones** did not find the Joker. **Pete Samuolis** won Lawry's Bucks.

Rebecca Fritz from the Red Rock Club introduced our guest speaker Steve Escalante from Otonomous, the first AI powered hotel. **President Janice** presented Steve with a donation to The Just One Project in his name and a copy of our club's centennial book and adjourned the meeting at 1:29pm.

ARIS LAZAROU

Pictures



Speaker, Steve Escalante, Otonomus



*President Janice and Immediate Past DG Michael Driebe
with 2024-2025 club awards*



Niki Brunetti and Bob Werner



Lawry Bucks: Pete Samoulis



Andrew Thurlow and Suzette Wheeler



*Surprise and Delight:
Gwen Hall and Eric Schimmoeller*



*Speaker Table with President Janice
Lencke and Speaker Steve Escalante*



*No Joker:
David Jones and President Janice*



Surprise and Delight: PP Mike Ballard



Kirk Holmes with two guests



Dan Adamson and PP Jim Hunt

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Weekly Showcase

Rotary Essentials Workshop on Membership.

All Rotarians have a responsibility to nurture membership. You are invited to join District Leadership this Saturday, August 9, 2025, for this engaging and inspiring online workshop. You will come away with a new perspective on the many ways we can increase membership, including three big new ones!

"Without membership, there is no Rotary." Register on DACdb.com or through a link on the District Highlighter.

Bare Naked Lady!

Here is a sneak preview the Rotary International float in the 2026 annual Tournament of Roses Parade before she is adorned in flowers. Teamwork is the inspiration for this diverse blend of wildlife, working together in harmony, just as Rotarians "Unite for Good" across borders around the world. For how to help, get tickets, or to dedicate a rose on the float to a loved one, go to : www.rotaryfloat.org.

Our club contributed \$1,000 to be an ambassador this year!



Member Spotlight

Gwen Hall

Author, Playwright, Personal Chef & Party Planner Extraordinaire



Cut. That's a wrap! Gwen Hall's screen play has finished filming. It now enters the hardest phase of becoming a movie, the editing process. We can look forward to an April screening if all goes well.

Gwen is a Co-Chair on the Education committee. She has written two other screen plays and published a romantic comedy and a cookbook.

Fun facts: Gwen grew up in Iowa on a farm and was runner up in Iowa's Favorite Farmer's Daughter competition. Her first job was detasseling corn.



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Patrick Ballinger from Boy Scouts of America - Las Vegas Council, accepted toys for Santa Clothes. A joint effort from Summerlin, Las Vegas After Hours and Las Vegas Rotary Clubs. Donated in the name of Marlene Turner



2025 One Drop Walk for Water, October 18 at 8:30 am.
Shown from last year Tiffany & Rene Gamero; Aaron Campillo and Melanie Muldowney



2025 SOAR scheduled for September 15 at 8:30am at Clark County Chambers at the Government Center. Shown from last year is Rita Burton, PP Toni Kern and Immediate Past DG Michael Driebe



2025 Tiberti Family Friendly Putting Tournament scheduled for October 3 at 5:30 pm.
Shown from last year is PP Russ Swain and family



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