

THE Renotarian

Rotary Club of Reno



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We Meet on Monday's at noon at the Atlantis Casino Resort

Monday's Program

Diana Hoffman

Music With Confidence



Miss Diana's music career started from the age of 2 learning ballet and tap and absorbing the music from her father's orchestra rehearsals and performances

in San Francisco. She began piano at the age of 4 and violin from the age of 12. She always sang (her first solo performance was at the age of 5 before parents and children from her elementary school). She auditioned before the great teacher and Operatic star, Frederick Jagel, who accepted her as his student. Within 2 years she became a regional finalist for the Metropolitan Opera Auditions. Miss Diana has performed in Operas, Musical Theatre, and concerts and has also produced and directed various shows. Miss Diana performed for Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's 20th Anniversary on

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Upcoming Events

Rotary Club of Reno Board Meeting

January 20, 2026 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Dickson Realty Caughlin Ranch Office

Reno Rotary Foundation Board Meeting

January 22, 2026 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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Membership Information

Please contact **Shenea Strader** at shenea.strader@gmail.com if you have any membership questions or need information about joining our club.

Upcoming Speakers

Dave Spitzer

January 12, 2026

Northern Nevada Legal Aide

No Meeting

January 19, 2026

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Valeria Koss and Kym Renner

January 26, 2026

Rennervations

January is Vocational Service Month

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OUR Place Coat Drive

With generous donations from The Rotary Club of Reno members and Costco Sparks, and funds from the Community Service budget of the Reno Rotary Foundation, **we donated over 200 winter jackets for homeless women and children living at OUR Place!** The jackets were delivered on December 17 and December 22, 2025. Thank you for providing warm coats for people during these cold winter months!



Diana Hoffman

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the Supreme Court in New York City and was the soloist for the International Music Concert in Bern, Switzerland. She has produced and directed and teaches voice, violin, acting, and piano to children for more than 7 years. She has a B.A. degree in Humanities and a J.D. in law; had a law firm in Silicon Valley for 20 years and then founded and developed for profit companies for another 20 years. For more than 30 years Diana has helped children with special needs in literacy programs as well as using music to engage and enhance their well-being. Diana has focused on helping children with autism for the last five years and has had a great deal of success in improving their development utilizing the performing arts as tools.

Reno Rotarians serve a Holiday meal at OUR Place on December 17, 2025.

Our Place Shelter, operated by the Washoe County Housing and Homeless Division, is a welcoming space for women, families, and senior women experiencing homelessness.



On this Christmas holiday, we extend our deepest gratitude to all of our generous donors. Your kindness and support bring hope, comfort, and joy to the families and women we serve at OUR Place. Because of you, we can provide safety, dignity, and care during this special season.

Your generosity truly makes a difference, and we are honored to partner with you in creating brighter futures.

With heartfelt thanks,

*Penny Adams, Director of OUR Place
Heather Larum, Women's Shelter Supervisor
Melissa Andrade-Garcia, Women's Shelter Assistant Manager*



The Rotary Club of Reno Holiday Party December 15, 2025

