

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

Brenda Silis

Foster Parents



Brenda has been with the Washoe County Human Services Agency since 2017, beginning her career as a Permanency Case-worker before transitioning to the Recruitment and Training Unit

in 2020, where she currently serves as a Recruiter.

As a Recruiter, she is responsible for identifying, training, and supporting prospective foster and adoptive families—individuals who take on the vital role of caring for some of our most vulnerable youth. It is a responsibility she holds with deep respect and dedication. In her previous role as a Permanency Case-worker, she worked closely with families to support reunification efforts and ensure long-term permanency for children, while holding families accountable to improve safety and well-being at both the individual and community level.

October is Economic and Community Development Month

Upcoming Events

Fall Festival

October 14 | 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

The J Resort Glow Plaza

Rotary Club of Reno Board Meeting

October 21, 2025 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Dickson Realty Caughlin Ranch Office

Reno Rotary Foundation Board Meeting

October 23, 2025 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Dickson Commercial Group

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

No Meeting

October 13, 2025

Fall Fundraiser 10-14-25

Amanda Hilton

October 20, 2025

Nevada Mining Association

Larry Harvey

October 27, 2025

District 5190 Governor

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Reno Rotary Foundation

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Gary Warren	Trustee
David Spillers	Secretary
John Spears	Investments

Newsletter/Website

David Spillers	Newsletter Editor
Pat Dunn	Web-master

Last Meeting Volunteers

Thought of the Day:	Stacey Knobler
Pledge:	Judy Maruszk
Scanner	Mark Cameron
Sergeant At Arms	Christine Barnicki
Cashier	Colburn Shindell
Photographer	Chesa Keane
Raffle	Judy Coleman
Set Up/Takedown	Carl Fuetsch

Honor Roll

Dave Bianchi	\$100
Judy Coleman	\$100
Bill Creekbaum	\$100
Harvey Fennell	\$300
Carl Fuetsch	\$100
Chris Gaub	\$100
Laurie Leonard	\$100
Maria Sheehan	\$300

Fall Festival Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

This year we are sponsored by J Resort. J Resort is generously covering our licensing fees, event set-up equipment and waving the event location fee for Glow Plaza.

Glow Plaza is Reno's newest outdoor event center located in downtown Reno.

Please RSVP at this link [CLICK HERE](#)

Or email Julie Griffiths at jkmedia3@gmail.com or Tony Padavich at tonyp@tworld.com

Tickets are \$100 per person and sponsorships are available at \$500 and \$1000.

This is the fundraiser that floats our club for the next year so please support with the purchase of tickets or a sponsorship and invite friends and family!



Rotary
District 5190

"IT'S A BIG DEAL!"
Save the date for the
**2025 Rotary District 5190
Foundation Dinner**
Hosted by Area 8

Date: Friday, November 7th, 2025
Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, Reno, NV
Doors open at 6pm
Dinner at 7pm
Cost: \$60 per person
Join us as we celebrate
The Rotary Foundation
Registration opens September 15th

*The Rotary Clubs in Action event is
Saturday, November 8 at Truckee
Meadows Community College. Consider
being dark that week and
encourage member participation in both
events*

Register at district5190.org
or **REGISTER HERE**



President Mark exchanges club banners with Elizabeth Schwinn, a visiting Rotarian from Ft. Meyers, Florida.



President Mark presents a Rotary Coin and a Paul Harris Certificate to last week's speaker, Naomi Albertson, MD.



Stacey Knobler, Reid Riker, and President Mark at the Wheels, Walks and Wellness Event last Saturday.

Collection Bin at the Meeting



OUR Place is the largest emergency housing provider for women and families in our community. We provide shelter and wrap around services for 138 women, 38 families, 28 seniors, and all of their animal companions every day.

Items always needed:

Tampons/Pads
Infant/Adult Diapers
Baby Wipes
Hand/Body Lotion
Chap Stick/Lip Balms
Beauty Supplies
Deodorants
Razors/Shaving Cream or Gel
Combs/Brushes
Cold weather clothing for women/children
Women's underwear any size
Bras any size
Shoes/boots (no heels)

Notes

the 4 way test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities.



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