

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

Ila Achtabowski

Nevada Women's Fund



A proud native Nevadan born and raised in Fallon, Ila moved to Reno after attending college in Arizona.

Entrepreneurial at heart she worked as an event planner

and spent two decades running her families small finance company. During that time she raised two children, who are both now students at the University of Nevada Reno.

Ila has sat on numerous boards including the Washoe County School Districts Career Technical Education Board, National Charity League of the Sierra's Board, and the TEDx Reno's Advisory Board.

From 2013-2018 she worked with the non-profit Junior Achievement and realized when the timing was right, her next professional chapter would be in the nonprofit sector. In January of 2022 the time WAS right and she was offered, what she considers to be, the role of a lifetime - President and CEO of Nevada Women's Fund.

You can join us with Zoom:

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN MEETING](#)

Upcoming Events

Rotary Club of Reno Board Meeting

April 16, 2024 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Sunshine Litigation

Reno Rotary Foundation Board Meeting

April 18, 2024 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Dickson Commercial Realty

Clayton Middle School Volunteer Day

April 20, 2024 | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

[Sign Up Here](#)

2024 Rotary District Conference

May 17-19, 2024

Grand Sierra Resort

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Upcoming Speakers

Jim Faulds, Ph.D.

April 1, 2024

Geology of Reno/Sparks Area

To be Announced

April 8, 2024

The Rotary Club of Reno Officers and Directors

David Spillers	President
Laurie Leonard	President Elect
Carl Fuetsch	Executive Secretary
Kevin Melcher.....	Treasurer
Kirk Allaire	Director
Stacy Asteriadis	Director
Andrea Cantlon	Director
Julie Griffiths.....	Director
Kim Mazeres	Director
Richard Schreinert.....	Director

Committee Chairs

Club Administration.....	Carl Fuetsch
Community Service	Marlene Olsen
Finance	Kevin Melcher
Fundraising	Julie Griffiths
International Projects	Phil Mahoney
Marketing/PR.....	Oliver Grosz
Membership.....	Shenea Strader
Programs	Dave Bianchi, Jerry Hall
Social.....	Stacy Asteriadis
Sunshine	Stefanie Scoppettone
Vocational	John Tatum
Youth Services....	Kim Mazeres, Jon Olsen

Reno Rotary Foundation

Mike Blakely	President
Corry Castaneda	Ex-officio RRF P. Pres.
David Spillers.....	Ex-officio RCR President
Laurie Leonard ...	Ex-officio RCR Pres. Elect
Steve Kent	Vice President
Anne-Louise Bennett	Trustee
Dave Gallagher.....	Trustee
Oliver Grosz.....	Trustee
Charlie Dodson	Trustee
Art Rangel	Trustee
Stefanie Scoppettone	Trustee
Carl Fuetsch.....	Secretary
Kevin Melcher.....	Treasurer
John Spears	Investments

Newsletter/Website

David Spillers	Newsletter Editor
Julie Griffiths	Web-master
Alex Phillips	Web-master
Oliver Grosz	Reno Rotary Roundup

Last Meeting Volunteers

Thought of the Day:.....	Gordon Gossage
Pledge:	Liza Maupin
Scanner	Anne-Louise Bennett
Sergeant At Arms	Jim Endres
Cashier	Stacy Asteriadis
Photographer.....	Karen Grosz
Raffle.....	Anne-Louise Bennett
Secretary.....	Carl Fuetsch
Set Up/Take Down	Anne-Louise Bennett
Set Up/Take Down	Carl Fuetsch
Set Up/Take Down	Mike Blakely

Honor Roll

David Spillers	\$100
Vinnie Lucido	\$100

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
- NEW** Women's underwear any size
- Bras any size
- Shoes/boots (no heels)

Rotary Club of Reno Board of Director Candidates Vote for 3 on March 25, 2024

Andrea Cantlon

Andrea is a native of northern Nevada with more than 25 years of industry experience. She attended the University of Nevada, Reno and is a graduate of the Chamber of Commerce Leadership Reno-Sparks Program, class of 2010.

Prior to joining LP Insurance in 2015, Andrea was a Private Banker with Mutual of Omaha Bank where she specialized in providing comprehensive banking solutions to high net worth individuals and businesses. At LP Insurance she is responsible for leading the Surety Division throughout the LP Insurance footprint by developing new business relationships as well as retaining and servicing existing clients, offering expertise for all their bond needs. In 2021, Andrea became an owner/member of LP Insurance Services LLC.

Andrea is an active member of the Truckee Meadows, supporting the Rotary Club of Reno, Western Industrial Nevada (WIN), the Nevada Women's Fund, CARE Chest of Sierra Nevada, and the Associated General Contractors' Women in Construction committee. She also leads the Mule Deer Foundation Ladies Chapter in Reno, NV.

Andrea is an avid sports fan and enjoys camping as well as spending time with her friends and dogs exploring the Nevada wilderness.

Chesa Keane

Chesa's company, TAO Consultants Inc, was established in 1983 and was an early entry into computer installation and training for individuals and companies on personal computer systems.

TAO was also one of the first companies in the area to offer web design. Over the years the company expanded into high-end accounting systems, search engine optimization and online reputation management.

Chesa now has three other companies through which she offers WordPress website hosting (Design Plus Tech Web), eBay auto accessories (Trickup Ready) and pet sitting (Park-a-Pet).

Chesa was first introduced to Rotary as a GSE team member going to India in 1996. The next decision was easily made: Join Rotary and lead a team to some other country. She joined Rotary in 2010 and, indeed, did go on another GSE trip in 2013, the last year Rotary had a GSE program, back to India. The exciting part was seeing the changes in India over 17 years.

Chesa's focus has always been on Youth programs, Rotary Youth Exchange in particular, somehow getting tagged as the RYE counselor for the Rotary Club of Reno Centennial Sunset (RCS) – before she even knew what R.Y.E. stood for. She also became the Chair for Truckee Meadows RYE Committee in the Reno/Sparks/Tahoe area from 2015 - 2019. That group was disbanded a few years later. In 2019, she was appointed the RYE Executive Secretary for District 5190. Chesa moved to the Rotary Club of Reno in November 2023.

Other Rotary involvement:

- Youth Services chair from 2011 – 2020 (RCS)
- Secretary from 2011 – 2020 (RCS)
- President from 2021 – 2022 (RCS)
- Paul Harris Sustaining Member / Every Rotarian Every Year
- Paul Harris +8
- Bequest/Legacy Society & Benefactor
- During my year as president, RCS was designated a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

I appreciate the welcome that Rotary Club of Reno has extended to me. I am excited to continue my desire to be of service through the Reno club.

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Shenea Strader

A second generation Rotarian, Shenea is passionate about volunteering for organizations and causes that are near and dear to her. Currently she serves on the University of Nevada Alumni Council, as well as the University of Nevada Foundation Board of Trustees, and Delta Gamma Fraternity Cabinet. Shenea has been a member of the Rotary Club of Reno since 2022, and currently serves as chair of the Membership Committee. She was a founding member and past President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Rotaract Club of Reno, past District 5190 Rotaract Representative, and also a former member of the Rotary Club of Reno Centennial Sunset.

Professionally, she is the owner and Administrator of her family business, High Desert Therapists, Inc. and has a background in project and program management.

Shenea is married to her husband of 14 years, Chris, and together they have twin five year olds, Siena and Silas.

Membership Information

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

Sunshine Report Contact Information

If you have any information about yourself or fellow Rotarians that you would like announced at the weekly meeting, please contact **Stefanie Scoppettone** at: scops@unr.edu, **Mike Blakely** at mdblakely@charter.net, or **Pat Horgan** at horganpat@gmail.com.

Rotary
Club of Reno South



**"ROTARY MEANS
BUSINESS"**

VOCATIONAL PROJECT

Thursday, March 28
555 Reactor Way, Reno, 89502 (RAVE side)

**Meet 4:30 p.m. at RAVE, followed
by tour and fellowship with FOOD!**

LET'S DO THIS!

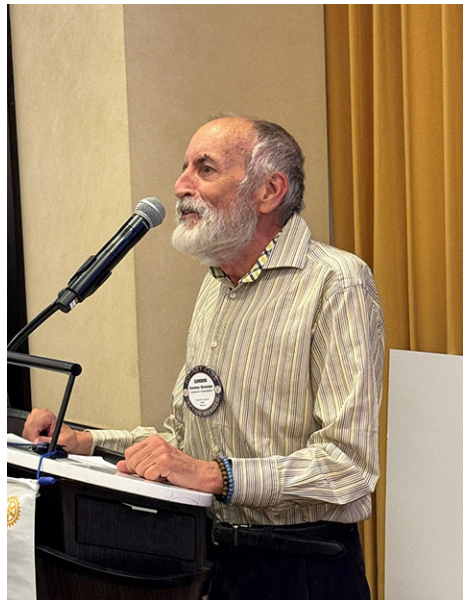
Learn about and
celebrate two great
community partners
**Northern Nevada
RAVE Family
Foundation &
High Sierra
Industries**

Here's the deal:
Volunteer a couple of
hours with RAVE and
help them organize
(clean up, sort, pack,
label and store)

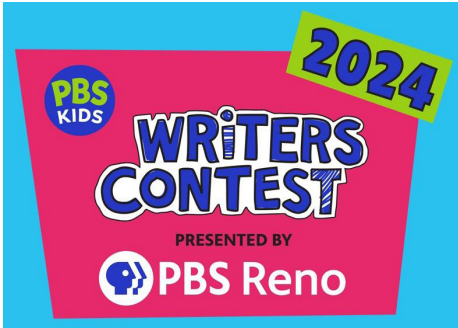
What RAVE gets:
An office so they can
provide more
services!

What YOU get:
Collaborations are
good business. You
get the satisfaction
of helping a
collaboration that's a
living example of
what Rotary is all
about!

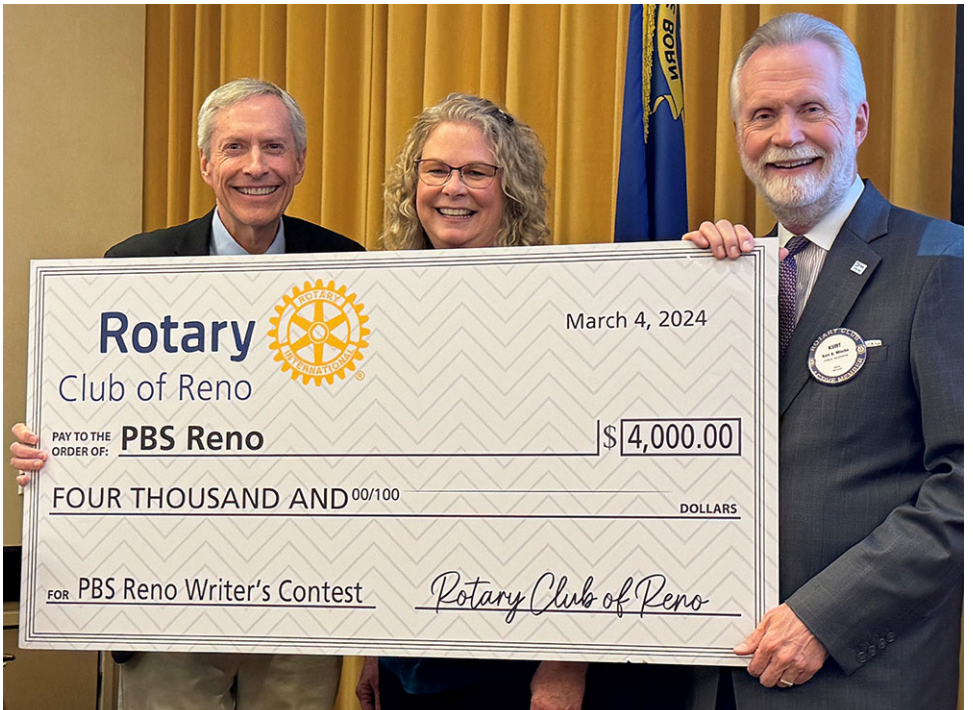
**INFO /
QUESTIONS:**
Contact LaVonne or
Heidi!



Gordon Gossage presented the Thought of the Day last Monday. Thank you, Gordon!



Nancy Maldonado from PBS Reno informs the club about the PBS Reno Writer's Contest.



President David (left) presents a check to PBS Reno for the PBS Reno Writer's Contest. **Nancy Maldonado** and **Kurt Mische** from PBS Reno accepted the check. This donation is from our Community Service Committee budget. Congratulations, PBS Reno!

Notes

Rotary People of Action

Rotary is where neighbors, friends, and problem-solvers share ideas, join leaders, and take action to create lasting change.

WE CONNECT PEOPLE

Rotary unites more than a million people

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

WE TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES

We take action locally and globally

Each day, our members pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions.

WE SOLVE PROBLEMS

No challenge is too big for us

For more than 110 years, we've bridged cultures and connected continents to champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, promote clean water and sanitation, and fight disease.

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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