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Club of Reno



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MONDAY'S PROGRAM

Robert Charpentier

*Chief Communications Officer,
Truckee Meadows Water Authority*



Robert Charpentier brings more than 30 years of experience in marketing, communications and public outreach to his role as Truckee Meadows Water Authority's Chief Communications Officer. Robert grew up in the Reno area, attended Hug High School and studied journalism and communications at the University of Nevada, Reno. Having spent his life in Northern Nevada and raised two sons here with his wife Heidi, he has a deep appreciation for the community and a personal commitment to protecting the region's most precious resource.

During his 13 years with TMWA, Robert has led strategic communications efforts that strengthen public understanding of water resource management across Northern Nevada. He specializes in translating complex operational, regulatory and policy issues into clear, accessible information that helps customers, elected officials and community stakeholders make informed decisions.

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**August is Membership and New
Club Development Month**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rotary Club of Reno Board Meeting

August 18, 2026 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Dickson Realty Caughlin Ranch Office

Reno Rotary Foundation Board Meeting

August 20, 2026 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Dickson Realty Caughlin Ranch Office

Lemelson STEM Academy BBQ
August 22, 2026 | 10:30 pm - 1:30 pm
2001 Soaring Eagle Drive

Oktoberfest
October 1, 2026 | 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
J Resort
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UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Chris Tabarez
August 10, 2026
Grief Sensitive School Initiative

Kurt Raffetto
August 17, 2026
Rotary District 5190 Governor

Collin Bernard
August 24, 2026
Nevada Athletics

**We meet on Monday's at noon
at the Atlantis Casino Resort**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF RENO OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Julie Griffiths	President
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Committee Chairs

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Fundraising	Tony Padavich
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	Vanda Tarlea
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Youth Services	Chesa Keane

Reno Rotary Foundation

Steve Kent	President
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Club Communication

David Spillers	Newsletter Editor
Brenda Tomburello	Webmaster

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.

Robert Charpentier

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Robert plays a key role in public engagement efforts related to OneWater Nevada and the development of advanced purified water, helping build public understanding of innovative, long-term strategies to ensure a resilient water supply for future generations. His work emphasizes transparency, trust and meaningful community dialogue around the stewardship of the region's water resources.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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

"The foundation upon which Rotary is built is friendship; on no less firm foundation could it have stood."

- Paul Harris



President Julie gives PolioPlus Awards and a Rotary Coin to last week speakers: Michelle Jackson and Kristin Reagan.

Rotary established the Rotary Endowment Fund in 1917, which became the forerunner of The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary first established the Paul Harris Fellow Recognition in 1957 for contributions of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

The first Rotary club banner to orbit the moon was carried by astronaut club member Frank Borman on the Apollo flight in 1968.

The first head of state to address an RI Convention was President Warren G. Harding in 1923, at St. Louis, Missouri.

Source: The ABCs of Rotary

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**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

first Is it the **TRUTH?**

second Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third Will it build **GOODWILL**
and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**

fourth Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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