

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

Mike Shain and Nick Tscheekar

Truckee Meadows Tomorrow



Mike Shain began his career with New York Life in June of 2015 in the Colorado General office after graduating from the University of

Colorado at Boulder with a Degree in Economics and Political Science. He was a Financial Services Professional for two and half years before being Promoted to a Partner in 2018 where he was responsible for building a team of financial professionals.

Mike and his team won the Partner of the Year award in the Colorado General Office in 2018 and in 2022 he was recognized for finishing in the top 50 Partners in the country. In August of 2023 Mike received the promotion to become the Managing Partner of the Reno General Office. In 2024 The Reno General Office won two National Trophies for the tremendous growth the organization has achieved. His commitment to providing a collaborative environment to the elite financial professionals of Reno aligns

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**September is Basic Education
and Literacy 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

Naomi Albertson, MD

September 29, 2025

Senior Fitness

Brenda Silis

October 6, 2025

Foster Parents

No Meeting

October 13, 2025

Fall Fundraiser 10-14-25

The Rotary Club of Reno Officers and Directors

Mark Growdon	President
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Reno Rotary Foundation

Steve Kent	President
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Alex Phillips	Trustee
Stefanie Scoppettone	Trustee
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:	Alex Phillips
Pledge:	Laurie Leonard
Scanner	Marty Kramer
Sergeant At Arms	Gary Warren
Cashier	Steve Kent
Photographer	Chesa Keane
Raffle	Brenda Tomburello
Set Up/Takedown	Carl Fuetsch

Honor Roll

Mark Growdon	\$100
Tom Hall	\$100
Judy Maruszko	\$100
Bob Moore	\$100
Craig Wesner	\$100

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!



Truckee Meadows Tomorrow

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with the collective vision of developing the premier financial services organization in Northern Nevada. Mike has been involved with Truckee Meadows Tomorrow for since the beginning of 2025 and has a passion for serving non-profit organizations and our community.



Nick Tscheekar was born and raised in Reno and has served on the Board of Truckee Meadows Tomorrow since 2021. He loves seeing how TMT's data can

improve quality of life in our region. Nick is the Major Gifts Officer for Volunteers of America Northern California & Northern Nevada, leading their fundraising for services across the homelessness and poverty continuum. He lives in the old northwest with his wife, Sofia, and their two dogs, Ophelia and Misty.



President Mark holds the book that our club will donate to the Dr. Robert Clift Library at the Melelson STEM Academy in honor of our speaker, **Nicole Harvey**.



Julie Griffiths (center) receives her Paul Harris Fellow + 6 from Dave Bianchi (left) and President Mark. Congratulations, Julie!

Be an encourager.

(The world has plenty of critics already)



POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER

The following individual has been approved for membership by the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Reno. If you have any comments on their proposed membership in the Rotary Club of Reno, please submit them in writing to David Spillers, Club Secretary, david@digiprintreno.com

Jacquie Cheun-Jensen

Classification: Healthcare Administrator

Sponsor: Shenea Strader

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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