

## Rosemary Vassiliadis Director of Aviation at McCarran Airport



Rosemary A. Vassiliadis is the Director of Aviation for Clark County, Nevada, having been appointed to lead the Department of Aviation in 2013. The system is anchored by McCarran International Airport which handled a record 51.5 million passengers in 2019. In addition to directing all operations at McCarran, she oversees four general aviation airports in Southern Nevada. Vassiliadis manages a staff of 1,300 employees and directs an airport system that employs nearly 13,000 people. Prior to taking over as head of the department, Vassiliadis served as its deputy director, giving her nearly 25 years in aviation leadership.

Most recently, Vassiliadis led LAS through the unprecedented impacts of COVID-19. By adopting new best practices and implementing innovative strategies, the airport was able to maintain operations and provide a safe and healthy travel experience for those who needed to fly. With a focus on cost containment and operational efficiency, and in keeping with the latest guidance from public health officials, she continues to lead her team through the economic recovery and the welcoming back of visitors to this world-class destination.

Vassiliadis has been an active voice in aviation and tourism issues and is regularly invited to speak at numerous tourism industry conferences both domestically and internationally. She served an extended term on the board of the U.S. Travel Association, and has played an active role on Capitol Hill, educating and persuading senators, House members, and administration officials on a variety of issues critical to domestic and foreign travel. She has served on several committees for Airports Council International, and is currently on the board of the American Association of Airport Executives.

Under her direction, the airport has joined the fight against human trafficking. She's worked with law enforcement and human trafficking experts to train and educate airport employees, establish escape opportunities for victims, and elevate awareness of this international tragedy.

Vassiliadis' focus on operational efficiency and financial prudence comes from her educational and professional background. She graduated with a degree in accounting from DePaul University, served as the budget chief for City of Las Vegas, and was appointed Clark County Director of Finance.

Vassiliadis has been married for more than 30 years, having raised two successful children. She's also a fanatic supporter of the Chicago Cubs.

### The Las Vegas Rotary Club's Mission:

Teaching Youth to Succeed through Literacy, Education & Life Skills Development



### SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 TODAY'S PROGRAM

ROSEMARY VASSILIADIS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

**SCRIBE** 

**CALENDAR** 



### SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.



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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Albert Schweitzer said "Sometimes our light goes out but is blown into flame by another human being. Each of owes deepest thanks to those who have rekindled this light."

What an opportunity we have as Rotarians. As I thought about this third question of our

Four Way Test the remembrances from 9/11 were still fresh. We are still reeling from the effects

of a devastating virus. And we are barraged every day by angry political rhetoric from every direction.

Amid the horror and devastation of 9/11 as people who were lucky enough to be escaping those buildings they were all dazed and dirty, ceo or mail room clerk. And people rushed to help. The guy down the street you never spoke to might have been the one to pull you from a burning building. There was sense of coming together to fight a common threat.

Today we continue to battle a deadly disease that has ravaged the world, toppled economies and touched each and every one of us. Our first reaction is what can we do to help?

It seems impossible today to escape the negative angry noise that is blasted in every direction:

political, racial, ethnic or geopolitical. Again, how do we help?

We come together, sit at the same table, share experiences and lend a hand. We read to a child, give a pair of shoes, provide food. Build a school in India or provide clean water to a village in Africa. Send a scholar to study abroad or welcome a foreign student into our home.

As Rotarians we come together from many diverse backgrounds and perspectives in service of others. We have the opportunity to work with Rotarians in many countries. We put our differences aside in the interest of the common good not only in our own community but across the globe.

And have fun doing it.

What better way to build goodwill and better friendships?

In the immortal words of Tim McGraw:
When you get to where you are going
Don't forget, turn back around
Help the next one in line
Always stay humble and kind



Caty Crockett

### THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY FOUNDATION

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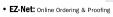
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Julian Moore* 1958-59	Randy Campanale 2007-08
Ray F. Culley* 1959-60	Russ Swain 2008-09
C.T. Harris* 1960-61	Karen Whisenhunt 2009-10
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Tom Underhill* 1962-63	Sharon McNair 2011-12
Vern Willis* 1963-64	
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-	Ginger Anderson 2013-14
Bill Southard* 1965-66	Steve Linder 2014-15
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## THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



**Will Abbott** says the invocation, a Boy Scout blessing on the food.



**Sidra Kain** leads the club in singing "America the Beautiful".



Can you tell that **Greg Maguire** is excited for the Airman's activity at the Aviators Game?



Jerry Engel reported on Michael Williams trip to provide humanitarian service in Armenia to war torn civilians suffering from PTSD.



**Gwen Hall** an update on the Laura Dearing elementary school hydroponics garden.



**Bert Reiner** wins the right to draw the card, draws a King and wins \$10 as a consolation.

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### THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



Elliotte Fajardo introduces visiting Rotarian Don Holland from Apple Valley Rotary Club.



**Brian Sorrentino** gives an update on the October 23rd Concours d'Elegance Car Show.



Sarah Thornton photo bomb Tina Bishop as Tina announces the upcoming new member orientation.



The club recognizes **Val Hatley** for his contributions to
The Rotary Foundation.



New Member **John Palley** wins the \$50 Rotary Gift Cards.



Mike Ballard awards Zach Conine, Nevada State Treasurer, the Sole Power Award for his entertaining speech.



### The Officers for the 25 Club

President - Susan Zioboro
VP - Lisa Motley • Secretary - Bhavan Singh
The 25 Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday
each month at 6:00 P.M. at TBD



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### SCRIBE - SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

- President Mike Ballard called the meeting to order.
- Will Abbott gave the invocation. Sidra Kain led the club in singing "America the Beautiful", followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- President Mike gave praise to members who help with meeting roles. Sgt. At Arms Bhavan Singh, Setup Dr. Kathy Mahon, David Jones, raffle tickets Marie Walsh, Greeters Nikki Bates, Greg Maguire, Will Abbott, Scribe Susan Ziobro, Photographer PP Jim Tucker, Tear Down Sarah Thornton, Susan Ziobro.
- Regarding visiting Rotarians and guests, we had **Don Holland** from Apple Valley, and **PP Michael Gordon** introduced **Bill Regenhardt**; Guest of Rotarians **Rosalee Hedrick** introduced **Antoinette Moore** making her second visit, **Tina Bishop** introduced the **Gonzalez** family who are interested in membership.

#### **Announcements:**

- 9/24 USO & Aviators Ball Game **Greg Maguire** announced the tailgate and game for the Creech and Nellis Airmen this Friday, September 26.
- 9/25 and every Saturday until October 23 2nd Annual Concours D' Elegance **Brian Sorrentino** provided an update. Volunteers are needed to promote this fundraiser at Cars & Coffee on Eastern Avenue (near I-215 & Eastern).
- 9/28 Orientation **Toni Kern & Tina Bishop** announced new member orientation will be held on Tuesday, September 28 at the home of **Bob** and **Deanna Werner**.
- 9/30 Angel Award The **Las Vegas Rotary Foundation** was selected as the "Foundation of the Year" by VegasInc. Magazine. Foundation President **Bob Werner** will be accepting the award and Rotarians are encouraged to attend at the Westgate Casino Resort on Thursday, September 30.
- 10/01 Cigar Social **PP Jim Hunt** announced October 1st at the home of **Kirk** and **Becca Holmes**. A drawing for a Rotary logo'd humidor. **Bill Houghton** is bringing Tri-tip. Please bring three cigars and a side-dish.
- 10/02 Highway Cleanup -8 AM on Saturday, October 2nd at the entrance to Bonnie Springs Ranch on our assigned piece of Blue Diamond highway. Breakfast buffet afterward at the home of Rotarian **Jerry Sennes**.
- 10/22 VIP Blue Herron Home Tour Exclusive tour limited to 20 people to tour a multimillion-dollar property in Henderson. RSVP to Shawn.
- Green Our Planet **Gwen Hall** provided an update on the Laura Dearing elementary school hydroponics garden implementation happening in October.
- Youth Protection Training Every Rotarian is required to complete Youth Protection Training each year if the member intends to participate in activities or events that involve contact with children. Can be completed online. Contact Shawn.
- Jerry Engel reported local Rotarians sponsored \$3,500 to pay for Michael Williams to provide humanitarian service in Armenia to war torn civilians suffering from PTSD.
- Paul Harris Fellow Mike Cudiamat presented Val Hatley with his fifth PHF. Way to go Val!
- The Pot: The drawing began at \$1,830 plus this week's donations. Drawing for the Joker was **Bert Reiner** who received a consolation of \$10 and the Lawry's Bucks went to **John Palley**.
- Tarby Bryant introduced our Speaker, Nevada's 23rd State Treasurer, Zach Conine.
- **President Mike Ballard** presented our speaker with a "Sole Power" award to benefit a child in need of shoes and socks. Immediately following the meeting was adjourned.

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### LAS VEGAS AVIATORS GAME

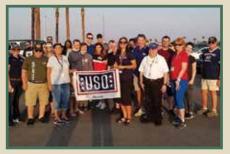
### with Airmen / USO



Rosalee, Nikki and Kirk at the Aviators Game!



Go Aviators Go!



Our rally team of Las Vegas Rotarians, with Airmen / USO



Enjoying a snack, tailgaiting in support!

### Cigar Fellowship #22

Date: Friday, October 1st 2021

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Kirk and Becca Holmes
Cost: \$10.00 per person donation
to the Las Vegas Rotary Foundation

It's a potluck so bring a side dish, appetizer, salad or main dish.

### Bring Your Own Drinks.

Cigar Smokers, bring at least three cigars, one to smoke, one for the troops and one to trade.

Open to all friends and family so feel free to bring a guest.

Yes, cigar smokers will be outside.

Sign up at Rotary or RSVP to Jim Hunt at LVHUNT@aol.com



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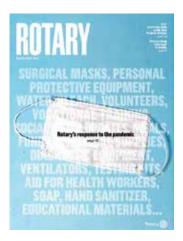
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- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

### CALENDAR

ROTARY EVENTS ARE LISTED IN RED / GUEST SPEAKERS & PROGRAMS IN BLACK

10/01 Cigar Social

10/02 Highway Clean Up

10/07 Doa Ross - Deputy Director of Las

Vegas Valley Water District

10/14 Michael Brown - NV State

Cabinent Secretary for Economic

Development

10/21 Concours d'Elegance

- Oct 22nd - 24th.

10/21 Coach Ron Aitkin

- Las Vegas Sandpipers

10/28 TBD

11/04 TBD

11/11 TBD

11/18 TBD

11/25 DARK

12/02 Santa Clothes

12/02 Garita Ciotiles

12/02 Holiday Party



### MAKE-UP DAYS AND PLACES

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www.LasVegasRotary.com - Our Club Site



### Rotary At A Glance

Rotarians Members - 1,207,102; Clubs - 34,823; Districts - 538; Countries - 200+; Rotaractors Clubs - 7,868; Members - 180,964; Countries - 162 Interact Clubs - 18,005; Members - 414,115; Countries - 132