

# David Behring Wheelchair Foundation



#### **Employment Experience:**

2003 to Present: President of the Wheelchair Foundation — a non-profit organization dedicated to creating global awareness about the physically disabled and to providing wheelchairs to every man, woman and child who needs one but cannot afford to purchase one. Organization has distributed almost 1,150,000 wheelchairs in the last 19 years. Also supervised new 25,000 square foot new exhibition on the American West.

2000 to 2003: President of the Blackhawk Museum – a spectacular 100,000 square foot complex housing 100 classic automobiles. Principal liaison between Kenneth Behring and the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of American History.

1991 to Present: Executive Vice President of Blackhawk Corporation. Handled legal and insurance issues, assisted in country club management, marketing and land development.

1993 to 1997: President of Seattle Seahawks. Spearheaded the team's entry into free agency and salary cap economics, modernized the team's technology, improved the marketing program and brought the NFL Experience to Seattle.

1980 to 1991: President and CEO of Great Bear Construction. Started a home building company specializing in premium golf course location homes. Won the MAME award three times for marketing.

Professional Organizations: Past President of both local BIA and BIA Educational Council. Served on Boards for almost ten years. President of Danville/Sycamore Valley Rotary Club 2006-2007. 2004 Rotarian of the Year. Paul Harris Society and Major Donor. Assistant District Governor 2009-2011. Member of Exchange Club of San Ramon Valley. Past Board Member of Smithsonian Institution National Museum of American History. 2002 Graduate of San Ramon Valley Leadership Program. Board member of San Ramon Valley Leadership. Board Member of National History Day. Serves on Board of Danville Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Personal:** A San Ramon Valley resident since 1980, I am married to May and have a 26 year-old married daughter working in Dallas and a 22 year old son working in North Carolina.

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

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



## DECEMBER 9, 2021 TODAY'S PROGRAM

DAVID BEHRING

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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## 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.



2021- 2022 RI President Shekhar Mehta

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### **CLUB OFFICERS 2021-2022**

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**Mike Ballard** 

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**Caty Crockett** 

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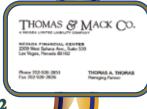
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#### **ELECTED DIRECTORS**

Tina Bishop
Rene Gamero
Carey Grohs
Kirk Holmes
Bill Houghton
Toni Kern
Stuart Lipoff
Mike Cudiamat
Rob Pistone
Brian Sorrentino

Past President Representative **Tom Thomas** 





## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I saw the service that the members of our club were giving in many different ways last week, I paused in gratitude. I see these successful happy people so freely giving of their time and means that it brings me joy.

In 1950, Rotary International established Service Above Self as the principal motto of Rotary. The council felt those three words best convey the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. Service Above Self means sacrifice, patience and discipline—the ability to put our desires on hold for a time—is a precious and rare virtue. In this day and age, so many believe, "We want what we want, and we want it now." Therefore, the very idea of patience may seem unpleasant and, at times, bitter.

In 1972, psychologist Walter Mischel, a professor at Stanford University, conducted an experiment with preschool children related to patience and willpower. The participants were all recruited from Stanford University's Bing Nursery School, which was then largely patronized by children of Stanford faculty and alumni.

In this Stanford Marshmallow Experiment, as it has come to be known, is an experimental design that measures a child's ability to delay gratification. The child is given the option of waiting 15 minutes to get two of their preferred treats, or if not waiting for it, receiving just one treat. This time period a child waits measures their ability to delay gratification.

Only 30 percent of the preschoolers were able to wait.

It was a mildly interesting experiment, and the professor moved on to other areas of research, for, in his own words, "There are only so many things you can do with kids trying not to eat marshmallows."

As time went on, he kept track of the children and began to notice an interesting correlation: the children who could not wait struggled later in life and had more behavioral problems, while those who waited tended to be more positive and better motivated, have higher grades and incomes, and have healthier relationships.

What started as a simple experiment with children and marshmallows became a landmark study suggesting that the ability to wait—to be patient and disciplined—was a key character trait that might predict later success in life.

As Rotarians we make many sacrifices of our time and our means. By putting service to others before satisfying our own desires, we help our communities and the world by making it a better place.

This is the true meaning of success and why Rotary is a wonderful collection of human beings who are the epitome of success.





## **NEW LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCED**

The Past President's committee nominated **Bill Houghton** as the President Designee for 2023-2024. The Las Vegas Rotary Club ratified their nomination and PEE Bill accepted the nomination. He will take office July 2023, the year after Caty Crockett serves, and he will be the 101st president of the Las Vegas Rotary Club. It was announced to the club at the Holiday Party.

On November 23, the election of officers was closed and Jim Tucker announced the election results. The new directors for the 2022-2024 term are: Toni Kern, Niki Bates, Mike Cudiamat, Stu Lipoff, and Greg McGuire.

## **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

12/02 Steve Dixon 12/05 Tarby Bryant 12/05 Tarby Bryant 12/17 William Stierer 12/07 Michael Gordon 12/19 Randy Donald 12/11 Rob Pistone 12/13 Elliotte Fajardo 12/14 Austin Wyrick

12/15 David Jones 12/17 William Stieren 12/24 Jimmelle Trijo 12/26 Robert Marshall

## LAURA DEARING TREE PLANTING

Led by Barbara Castro, several members came to support our green efforts at Laura Dearing Elementary School. The Las Vegas Rotary Club is funding learning initiatives related to science, agriculture and gardening.









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A.A. Hinman*	1925-26	Robert E. O'Connell*	1974-75
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Frank Gusewelle*	1937-38		1986-87
Tom Connolly*	1938-39	o .	1987-88
Archie Grant*	1939-40		1988-89
Otto Underhill*	1940-41		1989-90
Bryan Bunker*	1941-42		1990-91
Cyril Wengert*	1942-43		1991-92
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Frank Case*	1944-45		1993-94
Victor Shurtiff*			
Max Kelch*	1945-46		1994-95
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	1947-48		1996-97
Lorin Ronnow*	1948-49		1997-98
Leonard Fayle*	1949-50		1998-99
Allye Lawson*	1950-51		1999-00
Harry Allen*	1951-52		2000-01
Les Edwards*	1952-53		2001-02
Wayne Kirch*	1953-54		2002-03
George Boman*	1954-55		2003-04
Spence Butterfield*	1955-56		2004-05
Walt Hunsaker*	1956-57	•	2005-06
Ted Brandt*	1957-58		2006-07
Julian Moore*	1958-59	Randy Campanale	2007-08
Ray F. Culley*	1959-60		2008-09
C.T. Harris*	1960-61	Karen Whisenhunt	2009-10
Ollie Gardner*	1961-62	Tom Axtell	2010-11
Tom Underhill*	1962-63		2011-12
Vern Willis*	1963-64	Randy Donald	2012-13
Ward Wengert*	1964-65	Ginger Anderson	2013-14
Bill Southard*	1965-66	Steve Linder	2014-15
Dr. Vince Sanner*	1966-67	Mary Ann Avnet	2015-16
Walter Wehner*	1967-68	David Thorson	2016-17
Dr. Robert Robinson*	1968-69	Dr. Michael Gordon	2017-18
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## **SANTA CLOTHES**

1996 - 2021

In 1996, the Las Vegas Rotary Club sponsored the first Santa Clothes program. That December, we served 35 children and goods and services contributed were \$5,250.

Last week we served 348 youth from around the Las Vegas Valley. The following Charitable Organizations worked with us to make this happen: Salvation Army, Boys & Girls Clubs, Shade Tree, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers & Big Sisters, St. Jude's Ranch, Y.M.C.A., Walter Bracken Elementary, Will Beckley Elementary, Walter V. Long Elementary and Howard E. Hollingsworth Elementary.

All 26 years JC Penney's has been our partner, giving us discounts on all the purchases and contributing backpacks and calculators. For the seventh year the UNLV Dental School 365 dental kits (toothpaste, toothbrush and floss).

Consider the impact and growth of the Santa Clothes program.

This year 2021, through donations of gifts and purchased shoes and winter clothing we provided needy children with goods and services valued at \$180,795.

Since 1996 the total of all the winter clothing, shoes and gifts we provided trhough the Santa Clothes program exceeds \$1,696,696. The total number of children we have served is now 6,345.



Children from the Salvation Army arrive for the Santa Clothes program.



Antoinette Monroe and Bob Werner enjoying the day!



**Brian Sorrentino** and his wife **Nicole** with children from the Salvation Army.

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# MORE SANTA CLOTHES



Mall coordinator **Howie Hopkinson** and Salvation Army Director **Anthony Barnes** share a joyful embrace at the Meadows Mall.



Students from Hollingsworth Elementary enjoying some downtime after a morning of shopping.



Past President Jim Tucker and Jim Hunt enjoy the day watching the shoppers in action!



After shopping, the kids enjoyed time at UNLV learning various sports, including golf, football, baseball, soccer and many more.



UNLV athletes and the Cheer Squad provided great support.



What a BIG SURPRISE!

Kiwanians Jay and Diana brought a \$5,000 check for Rotary-sponsored Kids programs.

## 25 Juba

### The Officers for the 25 Club

President - Susan Zioboro

VP - Bhavan Singh • Secretary - Barbara Castro
The 25 Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday
each month at 6:00 P.M. at TBD



### **JASON BUCKLEY**

VP OF TECHNOLOGY

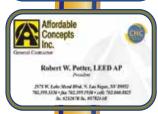
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## **2021 HOLIDAY PARTY**



**President Mike** welcomes members to the Las Vegas Rotary Holiday Party.



Rampur Viswanath and his wife Treja.



Past Presidents Randy Donald, Jim Hunt and Tom Krob recognized for their contributions to our Santa Clothes Program.



John Palley recognized as Santa Clothes MVP!



Members Anil, Carey and Rosalee along with Chuck Grohs save a seat for Kim Nyoni at the Holiday Party.



**Bill Houghton** discusses his nomination as President Designee for the Las Vegas Rotary Club for 2023-2024.

## Rimini Street

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## **HIGHWAY CLEANUP**

This was only half of the group. Not pictured are Susan and "Z" Ziobro, PP Jim Kohl and David Squire.









## WELCOMING NEIL HOLMES

Rotary Board Member Kirk Holmes and his wife Becca are happy to announce the birth to future Rotarian Neil Roberts Holmes on December 5th, 2021 at 3:39am PST. Neil weighed 6lbs 15oz, and 20.5 inches long.























## December 9, 2021

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- 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

- 12/16 Senator Bryan
- 12/16 Magical Forest 5pm to 9:30pm
- 12/23 DARK
- 12/30 DARK
- 01/06 TBD
- 01/13 Engelstadt Foundation
- 01/20 Michael Howard
  - Former CIA Officer
- 01/27 TBD
- 02/03 TBD
- 02/10 TBD
- 02/17 TBD
- 02/24 TBD
- 03/03 TBD
- 03/10 TBD
- 03/17 TBD
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- 03/24 TBD



### 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