



AUGUST 25, 2022 TODAY'S PROGRAM

KELVIN WATSON

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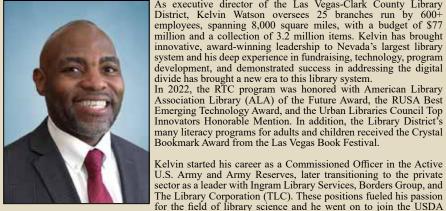
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KELVIN WATSON Las Vegas-Clark County Library District As executive director of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, Kelvin Watson oversees 25 branches run by 600+



National Agricultural Library.

Throughout his career, he has remained active as a speaker and panelist at conferences and an author of articles in national library publications. He serves on the San Jose State University School of Information, Leadership, and Management Program Advisory Committee, co-chairs the American Library Association Digital Content Working Group, and serves on the American Library Association Business Advisory Group, REALM Project Steering Committee, and on the Board of the Book Industry Study Group. He is a past president of Black Caucus of the American Library Association and past Public Library Association Board member.

Additionally, Kelvin has served in a diverse number of volunteer leadership roles: Southern Nevada's Workforce Connections Board of Directors; member of 100 Black Men of Las Vegas; FLA Co-Chair of the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility Task Force, bringing together young, BIPOC and LGBTQ+ individuals to make their voices heard within the Florida Library Association; a member of the ALA Committee on Accreditation; New York State Regents Advisory Council on Libraries; Metropolitan New York Library Council Board of Trustees; Asian/Pacific Librarians Association Research and Travel Awards Committee; Coretta Scott King Book Award Juror; AASL Diversity Task Force member; Spectrum Scholarship Juror; Young Librarians ALA Presidential Task Force member; Legacy South Florida magazine's 50 Most Influential and Powerful Black Professionals of 2020; Profiled in Black Issues Book Review Jan/Feb 2006 Issue as one of the "Influential African Americans in the Book Industry"; and Parkway Alumni Hall of Fame – Class of 2006.

Kelvin earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a Minor in Military Science from Lincoln University in Missouri. He earned his MLS Degree from North Carolina Central University. In 2019, he completed the MIT SLOAN School of Management Executive Program Certificate, Internet of Things: Business Implications and Opportunities and the MIT SLOAN School of Management Executive Program Certificate, Artificial Intelligence: Implications for Business Strategy. In 2020, he completed the MIT SLOAN School of Management Executive Program Certificate, Cybersecurity, 2020. Kelvin is also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and Beta Phi Mu Honor Society.



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Caty Crockett

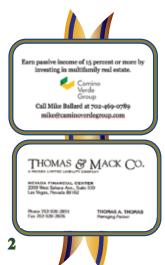
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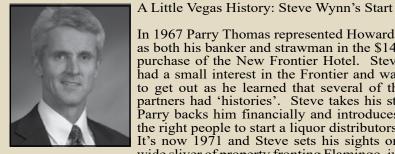
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



In 1967 Parry Thomas represented Howard Hughes as both his banker and strawman in the \$14 million

purchase of the New Frontier Hotel. Steve Wynn had a small interest in the Frontier and was happy to get out as he learned that several of the silent partners had 'histories'. Steve takes his stake and Parry backs him financially and introduces him to the right people to start a liquor distributorship. It's now 1971 and Steve sets his sights on a 160'

wide sliver of property fronting Flamingo, just south

of Caesars Palace. Howard Hughes owns the property and is leasing it to Caesars as a parking lot for \$1,000 per month.

Steve asks Parry to introduce him to Hughes' LV real estate guy, Herb Knoll. Steve offers Herb \$1 million for the property. Herb says, 'Hughes doesn't sell anything'. But Steve knows that Hughes is leasing a parking lot next to the Landmark Hotel for \$10,000 a month from former Lt. Governor, Cliff Jones and Hughes has an option to buy the lot for \$1 million. Steve tells Herb, 'You can take the million and buy the Landmark lot and save the \$120,000 a year'... No dice.

Steve goes to Parry Thomas, explains the deal and asks for the \$1 million loan. Steve doesn't know that Cliff Jones owes the bank big money, and the bank holds the Landmark parking lot as collateral. Parry loves the deal and calls Bill Gay, Hughes' current consigliere. Parry tells Bill, 'Its time for Howard to sell the Caesar's lot and buy the Landmark lot. I'm financing the guy who will cut the deal'. Bill Gay faxes the deal to Hughes, now residing in Florida, and Hughes says, 'Do It'.

Steve has the parcel and starts designing a Barbary Coast type casino, right next to Caesars. Cliff Perlman, head of Caesars, isn't happy. Caesars buys the property from Steve for \$2.25 million. Steve uses the profits, and another loan from Parry, to buy a large stake in the Golden Nugget. At age 31 Steve Wynn becomes the CEO of the Golden Nugget and the rest is history.

-TOM THOMAS



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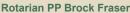
200 Wheelchair Delivered to Those in Need by LV Club Rotarians! (And Counting) The LVRC Wheelchair distribution program began during the

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* Deceased



THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



PP Michael Gordon received Scouting Award from Todd Walter



Stu Lipoff delivers the Invocation



Speaker David Shepherd accepts Sole Power Award



Bhavan Singh with his dad, visiting Rotarian Jatinder Singh



PP Karen Whisenhunt with her guest and husband Tom



PP Ginger Anderson updated Santa Clothes events

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THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



Arleen Sirois with her husband and guest Mike Gagnon



Erik Kruger inducted by Niki Bates



Carly Sheridan and Aja Nicholson, accept grant for CirKISH Foundation from Toni Kern



Guest David Givens won \$10



Head table with Rotarian and guests



Susan Ziobro wins \$50 in Lawry Bucks

Suppo The Officers for the 25 Club President - Barbara Castro VP - David Jones • Secretary - Antoinette Monroe The 25 Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday each month at 6:00 P.M. at TBD



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SCRIBE – AUGUST 18, 2022

President Caty Crockett called the meeting to order.

President Caty asked for a moment of silence for recently departed Club Member: **Bob Coffin.**

Stu Lipoff gave the invocation and **Jerry Engel** volunteered as our song leader; however, **President Caty** led the club in "Let There Be Peace on Earth."

President Caty led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance; and then gave thanks to members who help with meeting roles: Set up - **Don Holland** and **Bob Werner**; Sgt. At Arms - **John Palley**; Raffle tickets - **Jaime Goldsmith**; AV – **Stu Lipoff**; Greeters – **Andrew Thurlow** and **Rosalie Gonzales**; Scribe - David Jones; Photographer-**Past President Jim Tucker**; Tear Down - **John Palley** and **Steve Latta**.

Flag Presentation/Exchange: Michael Williams returned from his "Mission of Mercy" with two (2) Rotary Club Flags from Armenia.

Guests: (0) International Rotarians, (2) Visiting Rotarian: - Dallas Lee Brower and Jatinder Singh; Guest of Rotarians

Dave Shepherd (speaker), Tom Whisenhunt (Karen's husband), David Givens, Michael Gagnon, Carly Sheridan, Aja Nicholson, Vital Germaine, Kyra Kinzler, Kim Miyonie, and Nick Bell.

The Pot: The drawing is \$6,574. Drawing for the joker was guest, David Givens, who walked away with \$10, and the Lawry's Bucks went to Susan Ziobro. Another lucky winner was Jaime Goldsmith who won two (2) tickets to the Soccer Match.

Announcements:

On Zoom, **Rose Falocco** recounted the wonderful "New Member Orientation" held at Toni Kern's home.

David Jones reported on the 25 Club Alpine Picnic and hike, last Saturday at Tom Thomas' home on Mount Charleston.

Jamie Goldsmith announced the upcoming SOAR breakfast at City Hall on September 12m to Honor Police, Fire, and the Military.

Past President Karen Whisenhunt announced the Gold Putting Contest, Thursday, October 06, 2022 at Angel Park. Hole Sponsorships are sill open.

Stu Lipoff announced the need for volunteers at the Children's Discovery Museum for an Astronomy event, on Saturday, October 22, 2022.

Ginger Anderson announced plans for the upcoming Santa Clothes event. Donation will be matched by the Ralph Engelstat Foundation if received before September 27, 2022.

Presentation: Toni Kern presented a check for \$1,642.00 to **Carly Sheridan**, Director of Social CirKISH and Aja Nicholson of the CirKISH Foundation to help at risk youth.

New Member Induction – Niki Bates inducted Eric Kruger (sponsored by Kirk Alexander) as our Club's newest member.

Arleen Sirois introduced our Guest Speaker, David Shepherd. Mr. Shepherd, CEO of the Readiness Resource Group, spoke about "Active & Mass Shooting in America."

President Caty Crockett 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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"OUR ROTARY HISTORY" DATELINE MARCH 17, 1923 HEAD ON COLLISION CAR CRASH

We learned from Dr. Michael Green that the first newspaper mention of our Las Vegas Rotary Club was in the weeks following its Feb 23, 1923, chartering. The newspaper headline read "LAS VEGAS ROTARIANS NOW IN RUNNING ORDER."

However, the adjacent headline in the "Las Vegas Age" newspaper (March 17, 1923) detailed a more tragic tale: the serious car accident involving the wife and young son of one of our own charter members: Dr. William S. Park, Charter Member & Club Vice President. Dr. Park (age 44) was the only dentist in Las Vegas at the time. Mary Belle Park (age 43), her 7-year-old son, John William Park, and another young friend, Brent Abbott, were in a head-on collision about 1 P.M. on Thursday afternoon, as they were driving in to school. A Las Vegas City gravel truck "cut- thecorner" at Stewart & 5th Street (today known as Las Vegas Blvd in front of where the current Zappo's Headquarters is now located).

The City gravel truck was driven by a Mr. Roy Miller. Now, quoting from the newspaper: "There was no chance for Mrs. Park to avoid the truck and the two came together with such force that Brent Abbott was thrown through the windshield, receiving one severe cut, which narrowly missed destroying his right eye, and other cuts of lesser importance. John William Park received several cuts and bruises, the most severe being a cut in the neck which very narrowly missed the jugular vein. Mrs. Park was severely bruised and unconscious for some time after the accident. Her injuries, fortunately, proved not very serious. All the victims of the accident will soon be fully recovered. The driver of the truck admitted being at fault in cutting the corner, and it understood that the city will pay the expense of repairing Mrs. Park's car, which was badly demolished." The newspaper article made no mention of the gravel truck driver's injuries, if there were any.

And now, you know a little more of "Our Rotary History." David Jones.



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CALENDAR

ROTARY	EVENTS ARE LISTED IN RED / GUEST SPI	EAKERS & PROGRAMS IN BLACK
08/25	Kelvin Watson - Las Vegas Library	
09/01	Phil Klevorick	
	- Clark County Econ Dev	0
09/08	John L. Smith - Author, Journalist	
09/12	Soar Awards	
09/15	Candy Schneider	Rotary Event Virtual Clipboard
	- The Smith Center	I SII
09/22	District Governor visit	
	- Club Assembly	12-23-622
09/22	Santa Clothes Fundraiser	110404
	-TBD	ELC:00
09/29	Dr. Marc Khan	Use your smartphone's QR APP to signup Right Now or Later - Anytime
	- UNLV Medical School Programs	►Use your phone's QR code App
10/06	Berlyn Miller - Las Vegas Events	 Don't have an APP? Free Android download at http://fifthwheel.lvrotary.us/qr4android.apk
10/06	Tiberti Classic Putting Tournament	Signups also on your home computer at
10/13	Bob Jones -Aviation Nation	http://fifthwheel.lvrotary.us
10/22	Children's Discovery	
	Museum Event	
12/08	Santa Clothes	

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