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Law Partner, Howard & Howard

W. West Allen served as the 93rd National President of the Federal Bar Association, one of the largest national bar associations in the country comprised of federal judges and lawyers seeking to strengthen the nation's federal legal system and the administration of justice. Mr. Allen is an intellectual property litigator and counselor in Las Vegas who represents a wide variety of international clients in federal courts. He served as chair of the FBA's Government Relations Committee and as a member of the FBA's board of directors. Mr. Allen formerly worked as a federal law clerk for the U.S. District Court District of Nevada and graduated from Brigham Young University and the University of Illinois Chicago School of Law. Mr. Allen is currently partner at the national law firm of Howard & Howard with offices in Las Vegas.

Mr. Allen has served on and chaired various U.S. Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection and Reappointment Committees, Federal Local Rules Committees, and in 2019 was appointed by Nevada's two United States Senators to serve on the state's newly created Federal Judicial Commission. Mr. Allen has testified before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and the Courts regarding the effects of sequestration and other Congressional inaction on our federal courts. In Nevada, he volunteers for the Children's Attorneys Project (CAP) to represent children within the state's DFS system. As a longtime teacher of civics and the law, Mr. Allen's series of articles on the fundamental principles of the U.S. Constitution are published by the Federal Bar Association.

Mujahid Ramadan

Founder and CEO of M.R. Consulting



Mujahid Ramadan is the founder and CEO of M.R. Consulting, a diversity training and consulting firm. At MR Consulting, Mujahid leads a team of six professionals and administrative members that creates and delivers diversity and management training for corporations and public agencies.

Prior to starting his consulting firm, Ramadan served as CEO of Nevada Partners Organization, Inc. where he managed the construction of a 20,000 job training facility and then managed a staff fo 25. He developed and implemented the welfare-to-work initiative programs, designed and facilitated the Metro Police Department's Academy Diversity program and participated in the design and implementation of MGM MIRAGE Diversity and Hiring Promotion Outreach in Southern Nevada and in Detroit Michigan.

Prior to Nevada Partners, Ramadan was appointed Nevada State Drug Policy Director, aka State Drug Czar, by Governor Bill Miller. There he administered governor's drug policy commission and its funding of a \$13 million dollar yearly budget for law enforcement, education and treatment. Ramadan served as an advisor to the President's Faith Community Initiative, a board member of the Inter-Faith Council for Workers Justice, a participant in the National Leadership Summit on Race Relations and America's Public Education System, and a trainer for the Justice Department Violent Crimes Program.



The ultimate in the freedom of speech, Comedy! This New Hollywood great, Lucille Ball, often referred to as "Queen of Comedy," left an indelible mark on the entertainment industry. Her breakthrough came in 1951 with I Love Lucy, an iconic sitcom that revolutionized television and paved the way for future female comedians. The show was a massive success, breaking numerous records and becoming one of the most-watched programs in television history.

Desilu Productions produced I Love Lucy and later went on to create other popular shows like The Dick Van Dyke Show and Star Trek. Lucille Ball became the first woman to head a major television studio. Beyond her comedic genius, Ball was also a dedicated philanthropist.

Lucy's philanthropic endeavors included the March of Dimes, Juvenile Diabetes Research

Foundation, Shriners Hospital for Children and the United Nations Children's Fund. Lucille Ball's legacy recognizes her philanthropic work and dedication to improving the lives of others that continues to inspire people around the world. Her famous quote, "I'd rather regret things I'ye done, than regret the things I haven't done."

Let's Build Something Together,

September 19, 2024

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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DID YOU KNOW? JUNE

- Community Grant issued to Nevada Blind Children's Foundation \$5,000 for See the Possibilities, a library refresh.
- Community Grant issued to Junior Achievement \$4,600 for Financial Literacy / Workforce Readiness.

JULY

- Community Grant issued to Las Vegas Natural History Museum \$1,000 for Enhancing So. Nevada students' STEM Education Outreach Program.
- Community Grant for \$2,000 Issued to Opportunity Village for Their Pre ETS Program.
- Community Grant for \$2,500 to the CORE organization for their educational building kits.

THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB'S MISSION:

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

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THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB



Larry Goldstein Shares His Rotary Moment.



Welcoming a Visiting Rotarian with a Club Banner for Monaco.



Welcoming Visiting Rotarian Laura for Rancho Cordova,



Bob Werner Draws for the Joker and Walks Away with \$10.



Lisa Motley Wins the Lawry's Bucks.



Toni Kern at the Emerging Rotary Leaders Conference.



Head Table with President Kirk, Speaker Jon Ralston, Megan Riley from the Nevada Independent and Larry Goldstein.

SCRIBE - SEPTEMBER 12, 2024

Meeting called to order by Kirk Alexander at 12:15 PM

Invocation: Jerry Engel • Song Leader: Jerry Engel • Seargent at Arms: Deb Howard

Set Up: Bob Werner and Larry Cohn • Warm Welcomers: John Seibel, Nikki Junium and Liz Rothwell

Raffle Sales: Bob Peiser and Bill Steiren • Guest Table: Lin Ng

Marketing & Presentations: Stu Lipoff, David Jones • Closing Team: Michael Williams and Nikki Junium

Recording/Scribe: Rodney Tucker • Photographer: Liz Rothwell

President's Table: Jon Ralston, his guest: Megan Riley

Rotary Moment

Larry Goldstein recounted his introduction and first tour of Opportunity Village. How moved his was by the love and goodwill of everyone there; the clients, staff and volunteers.

Guests

International: None • Visiting Rotarians: Our esteemed Principal from Beckley Elementary and her guests.

Guests of Rotarians:

Paul Maffey brought is friend Dave • Brian Riley brought one of our member's sister, Meha

Announcements

Rodney Tucker announced the Alpine Picnic will be September 21st

Rodney Tucker announced the October 3rd 25 Club Meeting at Huddles Brewery with the expert assistance of Deb Howard and Liz Rothwell

Liz Rothwell announced Clark H.S. Interact's program of collecting Men's & Women's belts for their Student Closet.

Deb Howard announced something else, but none of us can remember what it was.

Karen Whisenhut reminded members there is room for golfers and attendees at the Golf Putting Tournament in September 23rd at 17:30 and the upcoming SOAR meeting on the same date at 08:00

Presentations

Raffle Winners: Bob Werner drew the 2 of Hearts to uproarious applause and **Lisa Motely** won the ubiquitous Lawry's Bucks: redeemable for equivalent points on many small regional airlines in countries seldom frequented by tourists.

Speaker, Jon Ralston of the political publication, Nevada Independent.

Mr. Ralston, a tenacious pursuer of the oft elusive truth in politics (yes, that is arguably an oxymoronic declaration) once again brought us a high-spirited open Q&A session about national & local politics, its requisite politicians, their inherent hypocrisy and the fact they continue to propagate. Jon's Q&A sessions are arguably more entertaining and enlightening than witnessing a session of Parliament debating the merits of Brexit.

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CALENDAR

September 19 – First Amendment & Religious Freedom, West Allen & Mujahid Ramadan, LV Interfaith Council

September 21 – Alpine Picnic

September 23 – SOAR, Safety Officers Award Recognition, 8:00 am City Hall

September 26 – Reimagining Chinatown, Minjia Yan

September 30 – Rotary Putting Tournament

October 11 – Influence of Irwin Molasky on Vegas Real Estate

October 16 – Green Our Planet Giant Fall Student Farmers Market

October 17 – 3:00 pm. - Wetzel Award Program at Nellis

November 9 – 3:00 pm. - Walk for Water 2024 @ Springs Preserve 7:00 am

Current Raffle Amount \$1795.00

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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?



<u>September Rotarian Birthdays</u>								
Jerry Brown	September	29	Demitris Kouris	September	11			
Catherine Crockett	September	12	Kimberly McMahon (Brodeur)	September	3			
Jeffrey Geihs	September	28	Janet Seul-Ki Ravin	September	9			
Debra Howard	September	22	Jerry Sennes	September	12			
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