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Minjia Yan is the Director of Millennium Commercial Properties, a Las Vegas based commercial real estate firm, and is responsible for underwriting and securing debt and equity for investment and development projects in Southern Nevada and other states. She is also an adjunct professor at University of Nevada-Las Vegas (UNLV) Lied Center for Real Estate, teaching real estate investment.

Minjia is passionate about placemaking and community development. She began her career in affordable housing and neighborhood revitalization in downtown Las Vegas, working with a local nonprofit to convert motels to transitional and permanent rental housing units for low income individuals and veterans with access to a food bank, medical and mental health services, and job training. She is currently leading the 3-mile long Spring Mountain Corridor/Chinatown Redevelopment Plan, the first comprehensive redevelopment master plan initiated by Clark County.

Minjia is a committee member on the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)'s Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan and City of Las Vegas La Madre Foothills Master Plan. She was honored by Business Insider as one of the "2020 Rising Stars of Real Estate" and by Commercial Property Executive magazine as one of the "Stars to Watch" in 2022.

She is a board member of The Mob Museum, UNLV Lee Business School Alumni Chapter, and Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Chamber of Commerce. She also serves on the Channel 13 community advisory board and Urban Land Institute Americas Women's Leadership Initiative executive committee.

She holds a master's degree in real estate with a concentration in finance and investment from New York University and a bachelor's degree in accounting from University of Nevada - Las Vegas.



Hedy Lamarr, often referred to as "the most beautiful woman in the world," was not just a renowned actress; she was also a brilliant inventor. Lamarr escaped an oppressive marriage and her home country to pursue acting in Hollywood. Her stunning beauty and captivating performances quickly made her a Hollywood icon, starring in classic films like Ecstasy, Algiers, and Samson and Delilah.

Lamarr's frequency-hopping method (FHSS) is a key component of Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA), a technology that is used in cellular networks. Her work was largely unrecognized during her lifetime, but she was posthumously inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame in 2014.

Lamarr's work laid the foundation for many modern wireless technologies, including GPS, Bluetooth, and Wi-Fi cell phones without SIM cards or those that operate on Apple and Android operating systems utilizing code-division multiple access.

Converging technologies CDMA and GSM are morphing into 5G.

What Lamarr gave to the world is fully realized everyday in all of the world. What would we do without the smartphone almost all of us carry and depend on everyday? The work and service we perform as Rotarians oftentimes go unrecognized but fully realized by those we serve.

Let's Build Something Together!

September 26, 2024

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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.

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*Jerry Engle Won
the Lawry's Bucks.*



*Kirk and Jimmelle Trijo
Rotary Moment Speaker.*



*Kirk and Jimmelle Trijo
That Didn't Win the Joker.*



*Kirk and Speakers Mujahid
Ramadan and W West Allen
at the Head Table.*



*Kirk, Susan and Speakers Mujahid
Ramadan and W West Allen
at the Head Table.*



*Shawn and Family Introducing
New Grandson Graham.*



*Suzette Wheeler Gave
the Invocation.*



*Tom Thomas Introduced
the Guest Speakers.*



Tonya Wagle Sang.

SCRIBE – SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

President Kirk called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM:

Invocation: Suzette Wheeler • **Song Leader:** Tonya Wagle led us in the national anthem

Sergeant-at-Arms: Pete Samuolis led us in The Pledge of Allegiance • **Set Up:** Bob Warner and Bob Mars

Warm Welcomers: Antoinette Monroe and Bob Mars • **Raffle Sales:** Bob Peiser

Video and FB Streaming: Stu Lipoff, David Jones and Rodney Tucker

Closing Team: Debi Howard and Michael Williams • **Scribe:** Aaron Campillo • **Photographer:** Debi Howard

President's Table: W. West Allen and, Mujahid Ramadan, and Susan Ziobro.

Rotary Moment: Jimmelle Trijo shared her Rotary Moment at Super Build, a District 5300 wide program building houses for deserving families in Tecate, Mexico.

Guests of Rotarians: Mike Ballard introduced Hank Huang, David Thorson introduced Jim, Linda Peterson introduced a retired Air Forced friend, Tarby Bryant introduced Robert Ore, and Shawn Noorda was proud to introduce her new grandbaby!, daughter, and hubby.

Announcements:

Debi Harris reminded all the Alpine Picnic and Hike is this Saturday and announced the next 25 Club meeting is Oct 3 at HUDL Brewing Company.

Gwen Hall talked about the Halloween Candy drive to support our schools.

Jim Kohl talked about Santa Clothes and volunteers needed to support the 355 expected students this year.

Karen Whisenhunt announced the SOAR Awards this Monday, Sept 23rd at 8:00AM, and reiterated the date change of the Golf Putting Tournament for Sept 30th.

Janice Lenke talked about One Drop Walk for Water at Springs Preserve on Nov 9.

Toni Kern talked about the upcoming Green Our Planet Farmers Market on Oct 16.

Tina Bishop invited all to the Honor Flight "Welcome Home" for Ted McAdam on Oct 20.

Rosalee Hedrick shared details of the Water Facility Treatment tour at LVVWD on Oct 29.

President Kirk updated us on the Youth Exchange trip to Huntington Beach, reminded there's no gas station on Mount Charleston for the Alpine Picnic, the Highway Cleanup in a few weeks, and introduced the President's Table.

Raffle: Jimmelle Trijo pulled for the Joker. **Jerry Engle** won Lawry's bucks.

Guest Speaker: Tom Thomas introduced our guest speakers W. West Allen and Mujahid Ramadan who discussed The Constitution, Freedom of Religion, and diversity.

President Kirk adjourned the meeting at 1:30 PM

25 CLUB OFFICERS

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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 \$1907.00

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John A. Smith	1994-95	David Thorson	2016-17
Caty Crockett	1995-96	Dr. Michael Gordon	2017-18
Clifford R. Beadle	1996-97	James Kohl	2018-19
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Dr. James M. Jones*	1998-99	Richard Jost	2020-21
Tom A. Thomas	1999-00	Mike Ballard	2021-22
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September Rotarian Birthdays

<i>Jerry Brown</i>	<i>September 29</i>	<i>Demitris Kouris</i>	<i>September 11</i>
<i>Catherine Crockett</i>	<i>September 12</i>	<i>Kimberly McMahon (Brodeur)</i>	<i>September 3</i>
<i>Jeffrey Geihs</i>	<i>September 28</i>	<i>Janet Seul-Ki Ravin</i>	<i>September 9</i>
<i>Debra Howard</i>	<i>September 22</i>	<i>Jerry Sennes</i>	<i>September 12</i>
<i>Richard Jost</i>	<i>September 25</i>	<i>Rampur Viswanath</i>	<i>September 16</i>
<i>Sidra Kain</i>	<i>September 19</i>	<i>Warren Todd Walter</i>	<i>September 19</i>

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