



Michael Parks

Member of the Global Gaming Group



Michael Parks is a member of the Global Gaming Group, a strategic business unit within CBRE that focuses on providing advisory services to companies in the gaming industry worldwide. Mr. Parks has been involved in numerous gaming asset sales across the United States including the Sahara Hotel Casino, Las Vegas Hilton, Flamingo Laughlin and the Trump Plaza in Atlantic City. Michael has also been actively involved in representing both gaming and non-gaming companies in the acquisition and disposition of land parcels located in the Las Vegas resort corridor.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Mr. Parks' advisory activities include the following high-profile assignments/transactions:

- On behalf of MGM Resorts Intl., the disposition of the Circus Circus Hotel Casino, for \$825 million.
- On behalf of Northern Trust and Gordon Gaming, the sale of the Sahara Hotel & Casino for \$345 million.
- On behalf of Northern Trust and Gordon Gaming, the disposition of +25.84 acres on the SWC Las Vegas Blvd and a Sahara to MGM Mirage for \$444 million.
- On behalf of Caesars Entertainment, the sale of the Las Vegas Hilton to Colony / Resorts International for \$292 million.
- On behalf of Caesars Entertainment, the sale of Rio All Suites Hotel Casino for \$515 million.

EDUCATION

Mr. Parks earned a B.S. Hotel Administration, University of Nevada Las Vegas.



Achievement and honor are everyday words used around the globe. We, as Rotarians strive to be our best in our respective communities and offer ourselves as real value in those communities, worldwide.

In the Hollywood Golden Age, the brilliance of Vivien Leigh was a celebrated British actress renowned for her captivating performances and elegant demeanor. Her career was marked by several iconic roles, most notably Scarlett O'Hara in *Gone With the Wind* and Blanche DuBois in *A Streetcar Named Desire*.

Leigh's portrayal of Scarlett O'Hara, the fiery Southern belle, catapulted her to international stardom. Her performance earned her an Academy Award for Best Actress. A famous line in this movie is still world renowned, "frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn".

After a stretched period of health challenges and mental rehabilitation she came back with a vengeance. Leigh delivered a powerful performance as Blanche DuBois, a mentally fragile woman clinging to her past. Her performance earned her a second Academy Award for Best Actress. These achievements were accomplished during Wartime.

Some of her most recognized charitable efforts are in the Vivian Leigh Forde Endowment at Arizona State University.

Let's Build Something Together!

October 3, 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.

What We Have Accomplished.

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:

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Sidra Kain Led Us in Song.



Mike Cudimat Shared His Rotary Moment.



Head Table; Riley Driggs, President Kirk and Speaker Minjia Yan.



Suzette Wheeler Welcomed a Guest from Richmond, CA.



Club Updates Were Given By: Tina Bishop, Jim Hunt, Karen Whisenhunt, Gwen Hall and Rod Tucker.



Suzette Wheeler and Larry Cohen.



Rotarians and Guests Enjoying the Beautiful Weather.



Melanie Muldowney and David Jones.



What a Beautiful Place to Hike!



Fellowship and Fun on the Morning Hike.

SCRIBE – SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

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

Invocation: Rodney Tucker • **Song Leader:** Sidra Kain • **Sergeant at Arms:** Suzette Wheeler

Set Up: Bob Werner and Demetris Kouris • **Warm Welcomers:** Andrew Thurlow, Mijung Lombardi and Antoinette Monroe

Raffle Sales: Bob Peiser and Liz Rothwell • **Marketing & Presentations:** David Jones and Stu Lipoff

Closing Team: Robert Mars and Michael Williams • **Recording/Scribe:** Larry Goldstein • **Photographer:** Sarah Thornton

President's Table: Minjia Yan, Sarah Thornton, Riley Driggs

Rotary Moment

Mike Cudimat shared his Rotary Exchange experience as a 15 year old traveling to Michigan. Mike continues to be involved in Rotary Exchange as a Rotarian working with Latin American students.

Guests

Visiting Rotarians Tiffany Harris Richmond CA., Judith Pinkerton Coeur d'Alene ID, Deb Granda Myrtle Beach SC

Members Bert Reiner introduced Mark Yosellof, Nareg Aghjayan introduced Chris Diz

Club President Kirk Alexander introduced Anissa Willyard

Announcements

Rodney Tucker – Alpine Picnic debrief, Canned Food Drive for Three Squared and the next 25 Club at HUDL on October 3rd
Gwen Hall – Halloween Candy for the kids

Karen Whisenhunt – SOAR Debrief and Putting Tournament moved to 9/30/2025 at 5:30

Tina Bishop – One Drop Walk on 11/9, Wetzel Awards on 10/24 and Honor Flight reception on 10/20

Rosalee Hedrick – VIP Tour at Water Treatment on 10/29 at 2:00

Kirk Alexander – Highway Cleanup on 10/19 at 9:00AM

Jim Hunt – Cigar Social 10/26/2024

Raffle Winners: Suzette Wheeler reduced the deck • Steve Kwon won Lawry's bucks

Speaker Minjia Yan, Director of Millenium Commercial Properties

Minjia Yan shared the development of Chinatown in Las Vegas, beginning with Chinatown Plaza in 1995. Since the first commercial development, Las Vegas Chinatown officially extends along Spring Mountain from Las Vegas Boulevard to Rainbow Boulevard. Ms. Yan also discussed the challenge of maintaining Chinatown communities in several cities including Philadelphia.

25 CLUB OFFICERS

President:

Rodney Tucker

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Liz Rothwell

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October 3 – 25 Club Meeting at HUDL Brewing Company

October 8 – Breakfast with Books

October 11 – Influence of Irwin Molasky on Vegas Real Estate

October 12 – Highway Cleanup 9:00 am

October 16-17 – Giant Student Farmers Market - Halloween Candy Drive

October 17 – Rear Admiral Joaquin J. Martinez de Pinillo, U.S. Navy

October 20 – Honor Flight Welcome Home

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

October 24 – Las Vegas Economic Update, John Restreppo, RCG Economics

October 26 – Cigar Social and Halloween Party

October 29 – LVWWD Water Treatment Facility Tour

October 31 – Las Vegas Museum of Art, Heather Harmon, Las Vegas Museum of Art

November 7 – In Honor of Our Veterans, Mike Dunegan, U.S. Army

November 9 – One Drop Walk for Water 2024 @ Springs Preserve 7:00 am

Current Raffle Amount \$2013.00

PAST PRESIDENTS

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October Rotarian Birthdays

<i>Ricardo Barrera Jr.</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>David Mullin</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Markus Bohi</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Shawn Noorda</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Brock Fraser</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>Tonya Wagle</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>Robert Mars</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>27</i>			

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