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John Restrepo is the principal of RCG Economics in Las Vegas, Nevada, where he directs the firm's economic and financial consulting activities. For more than 34 years, John has analyzed regional economic and real estate trends in a number of Southwest U.S. markets, including Nevada, Arizona and So. California.

John's 46 years of urban economics experience has given him a broad range of skills and technical expertise in assessing the effects of local, regional, and national economic trends on urban real estate markets. His clients include some of the most prominent private and public organizations concerned with regional, economics, urban development and growth.

Prior to forming RCG Economics, John was the Managing Director of the Financial Advisory Services practice for Coopers & Lybrand, now part of PWC. He focused on economic and real estate market analysis and forecasting for commercial, residential and mixed-use project sand large-scale master planned developments. He has a masters in Economics and Latin-American Studies form LSU.



"The 'Golden Age' offered a number of great performers in cinema. Audrey Hepburn is renowned not only for her iconic roles in classic films like "Roman Holiday," "Breakfast at Tiffany's," and "Sabrina," but also for her significant contributions to humanitarian work. Hepburn's elegant on-screen presence, coupled with her exceptional acting skills, made her one of the most beloved actresses of her era. Her roles often portrayed strong, independent women who faced challenges with grace and resilience. She remains a timeless icon.

Hepburn visited countries affected by conflict, famine, and disease to assess the needs of children and advocate for their well-being. Her efforts were instrumental in raising millions of dollars for UNICEF's programs. In 1989, she was appointed a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador. In this role, she traveled to some of the world's most impoverished regions, advocating for children's rights and raising awareness about issues such as malnutrition, disease, and lack of education. Her humanitarian work has inspired countless individuals to make a difference in the lives of others.

With Compassion, and resilience to face the challenges of everyday life, Rotarians are making a difference. Actually it fits nicely into our mission, "teaching youth to succeed through literacy, education and life skills development."

Let's Build Something Together!

October 24, 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?

SEPTEMBER

- **Community Grant issued to Opportunity Village for 2,000.00 for their Pre-ETS Program.**

OCTOBER

- **Community Grant issued to Nevada Sunshine Organization for \$5,000.00 to help fund summer camp for kids living with Autism.**
- **Community Grant issued to CORE for \$2,500.00 for their STEM Education Kits for youth scholars.**

THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB'S MISSION:

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

THE LAS VEGAS ROTARY CLUB

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Brian Riley shares a Rotary Moment



Kirk Alexander and Niki Bates congratulate Paul Harris advancements Anil Melnick +5, Carey Grohs +1, Bob Potter +6 and Gary Vause +8



President Kirk and PP Caty Crockett



President Elect Janice Lencke and her guest, Cheryl Silvers



Rear Admiral Joaquim Martinez



Las Vegas Rotary Club volunteers Michael Williams, Susan Ziobro, Rita Burton, Larry Cohn, Pete Samuolis, Pam Samuolis, Aaron Campbell, PP Toni Kern, Tina Bishop, and Robert Maas, as well as representatives from the Vegas Verde Club and Las Vegas After Hours Club helped at the Green Our Planet Student Farmer's Market



Honor Flight Mission 22 returned with our own Ted McAdam



The Honor Guard and hundreds of well-wishers came to welcome home our military heroes



Rotarians Tina Bishop, PP Toni Kern, PP Karen Whisenant and Susan Ziobro helped welcome home former club member Ted McAdam and Honor Flight Mission 22



Susan Ziobro, PP Toni Kern and Tina Bishop welcomed home our heroes

SCRIBE – OCTOBER 17, 2024

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

Invocation: Jim Kohl • Song Leader: Michael Williams • Sergeant at Arms: Bill Stieren

Set Up: Bob Werner and Kathleen Mahon • Warm Welcomers: Lin Ng, Larry Cohn, Liz Rothwell

Raffle Sales: Bob Peiser and Nikki Junium • Marketing & Presentations: David Jones, Stu Lipoff, Rodney Tucker

Closing Team: Tucker Sappington and Michael Williams • Recording/Scribe: Larry Goldstein

Photographer: Sarah Thornton • President's Table: Melanie Muldowney, Alan Molasky, Reinier Santana

Rotary Moment: Bob Werner shared early memories from Santa Clothes and RYLA.

He recounted the lessons and experience high school students gain from RYLA.

Guests: International none

Visiting Rotarians: Marily Cruz from Washington DC and Morgan Seabloom from Galesburg Illinois

Members: Randy Donald introduced Jason Ames, Greg Maguire introduced Destiny Bradford, Tina Bishop introduced her sister DeVona Larson from Houston Tx, Larry Cohn introduced Alarie

BattleClub: - none

Announcements

Liz Rothwell - Holiday party will be on 12/5 / Next 25 Club meeting will be November 7th

Kathy Mahon - Halloween Candy for the kids

Toni Kern - Honor Flight reception is 10/20, One Drop Walk is 11/9, Green Our Planet is 10/16

David Squire - Highway Cleanup on 10/19 at 9:00AM • Bob Peiser - Wetzel Awards on 10/24

Rosalee Hedrick - VIP Tour at Water Treatment on 10/29 at 2:00 • Jim Hunt - Cigar Social 10/26/2024 at 6:00

Jim Kohl - Santa Clothes is on 12/5, shoppers are needed • Janice Lencke - Orchestra performance at the Smith Center November 10th

Tina Bishop - October 24th is World Polio Day (wear rotary shirt for photo),

Presentations

Melanie Muldowney / Mike Ballard new member presentation - Henry Huang

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Janice Lencke presented a \$5,000 grant to Sunshine Nevada Camps, an organization focused on autistic children <https://www.sunshinenevada.org/>

Raffle Winners: Jim Kohl reduced the deck Pete Samuolis won the Lawry's Bucks

Speaker Alan Molasky: Chairman of Ovation Development Corporation - Alan Molasky began his presentation with a donation to Sunshine Nevada Camps, an organization just awarded a grant by the club. Alan spoke about his career as a real estate developer in Las Vegas, primarily focused on multi family apartments. He spoke with passion about the need for affordable housing and highlighted various government incentives to increase the supply in the Las Vegas valley.

25 CLUB OFFICERS

President:

Rodney Tucker

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Debi Howard

Secretary:

Liz Rothwell

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CALENDAR

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Gary Vause

Trustees:

Kirk Alexander

Mike Ballard

Janice Lencke

David Thorson

October 24 – Volunteer Opportunity at Boys & Girls Club

October 24 – Wetzel Awards at Nellis Air Force Base

October 26 – Cigar Social and Halloween Party at Tom Krob's House

October 29 – LVVWD Water Treatment Facility Tour

October 31 – Las Vegas Museum of Art, Heather Harmon

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

November 7 – New Member Orientation/25 Club Monthly Meeting

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

November 9 – Santa Clothes Backpack Stuffing at Boy Scout Area Council

November 13 – Volunteer Opportunity at Clark High School

December 5 – Santa Clothes & Holiday Party

Current Raffle Amount \$2563.00

PAST PRESIDENTS

Michael Hoover	1980-81	James R. Tucker	2002-03
Donald L. Aikin*	1981-82	Kathy Dalvey*	2003-04
Joseph J. Buckley*	1982-83	Steve Casey	2004-05
Irwin Kishner*	1983-84	Ned Phillips	2005-06
James Cashman III*	1984-85	Brock Fraser	2006-07
Mike Meyer	1985-86	Randy Campanale	2007-08
Doug L. Peterson*	1986-87	Russ Swain	2008-09
M.J. Wiens, Jr.	1987-88	Karen Whisenhunt	2009-10
Keith W. Bassett*	1988-89	Tom Axtell	2010-11
Kenneth E. Miller*	1989-90	Sharon McNair	2011-12
James M. Gamett	1990-91	Randy Donald	2012-13
Robert L. Moore	1991-92	Ginger Anderson	2013-14
Robert L. Forbuss*	1992-93	Steve Linder	2014-15
Gary A. Martin	1993-94	Mary Ann Avnet	2015-16
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
Ralph J. Rohay	1997-98	Jacqueline Thornhill	2019-20
Dr. James M. Jones*	1998-99	Richard Jost	2020-21
Tom A. Thomas	1999-00	Mike Ballard	2021-22
Tom J. Krob	2000-01	Caty Crockett	2022-23
James E. Hunt	2001-02	Toni Kern	2023-24

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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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