

Rotary Club of Scottsdale

Service Above Self

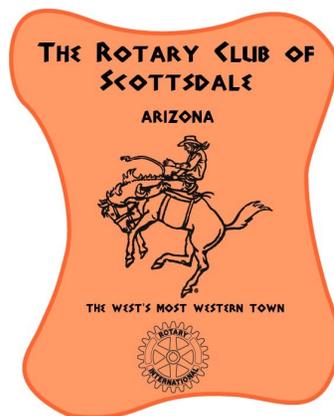
Award Dinner

Monday - April 27, 2015

with Joe Garagiola, Jr



SERVICE Above Self



As 2015 Service Above Self Committee Chair, I want to congratulate Service Above Self Awardees: Jason Washo, Max Rumbaugh, Rachel Sacco, Jeanette Griswold and Crest Insurance, Inc and Jim and Donna Piscopo. And, express thank you to Patti Miller, Wendy Wentz, Alex Cimochoowski, John Thornton, Kari Baker, Jason Brock, Honorable Mayor Lane, all the Rotary Club of Scottsdale Board of Director members and the McCormick staff for his/her assistance in planning this evening's program and event.

*Dr. Honora A. Norton
Rotary Club of Scottsdale Board Member*



5:30pm Cocktails

6:00pm Dinner

6:30pm Service Award Presentations

By Honorable Mayor Lane

7:00pm Keynote Speaker

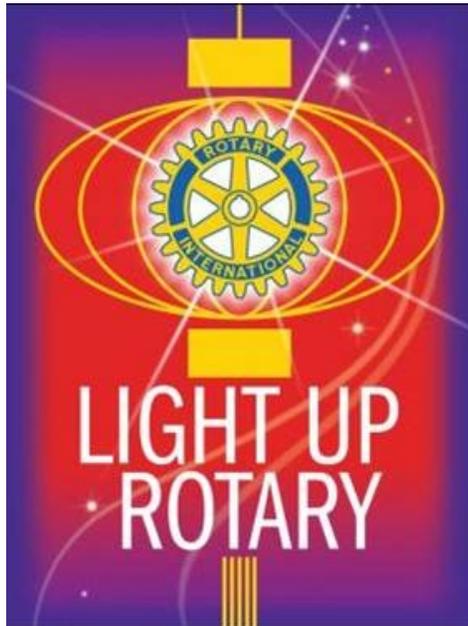
Joe Garagiola, Jr.

Joe Garagiola, Jr. is the senior vice president of standards and on-field operations for Major League Baseball. In that capacity, Joe is involved in a variety of matters including on-field discipline, pace of game, uniforms, ground rules, stadium signage and other stadium-related issues. He was previously senior vice president of baseball operations, and before that the general manager of the Arizona Diamondbacks. He is an alumnus of the University of Notre Dame and Georgetown University Law Center.

He is the son of Joe Garagiola, Sr., who played catcher for the St. Louis Cardinals and Pittsburgh Pirates in the late 1940s. Joe's mother, Audrie, was the organist for the St. Louis Cardinals while Joe Sr. was working in the broadcast booth.

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We are neighbors, community leaders, and global citizens uniting for the common good. With you, we can get good things done.

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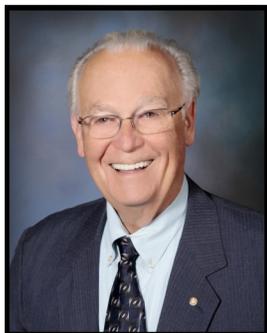
Jim and Donna Piscopo
Community Volunteers—2015 Service Above Self Award Presented by the Rotary Club of Scottsdale to recognize outstanding community service, volunteerism and support of Rotary's call to "Service Above Self." Nominated by John Thornton

Jim Piscopo, Founder, Executive Director, Bridging AZ- Jim began his career in 1977 with the US Air Force and was stationed at Williams Air Force Base, now Gateway Airport. On vacation visiting family in Michigan, Jim met his future wife Donna and they have been married 32 years. Business experience includes owning a 6,000sf antique shop in Mesa, 29 years as a licensed Real Estate Agent, a licensed contractor, an appraisal business on 5th Avenue in Scottsdale, director of the Phoenix Fine Art and Jewelry Expo. Now, as a Social Entrepreneur Jim has been working on Bridging AZ's new project, training veterans to repair and build furniture.



Donna T. Piscopo, Founder, Program Director, Bridging AZ- Donna has been involved in many community volunteer opportunities, and was Bridging's 1st AmeriCorps volunteer. She is now Bridging's program director. Looking for ways to involve community, she recently gathered a group of professionals to makeover the common rooms of an historic property located in the Phoenix Roosevelt district. The ASID Arizona North Chapter and Phoenix College School of Interior Design collaborated with Bridging AZ on the renovation of Toby House, a residential treatment home of Southwest Behavioral Health, one of Bridging AZ's agency partners. This particular collaboration and the many others Donna has been involved in have convinced her that the betterment of community occurs when partnerships are formed.

In 2002, Jim & Donna completed EFM (Education for Ministry) a 4 year ecumenical theology course. In 2004, they changed career paths; downsized their Scottsdale home; and, founded and funded Bridging AZ Furniture Bank as a ministry of St Barnabas on the Desert. Bridging AZ quickly evolved into a federally recognized nonprofit. Through their social service agency partners, Bridging AZ has impacted the lives of over 60,000 Arizonans. Over 250,000 donated items valued over \$5 million have been distributed to families in need.



Max Rumbaugh

**Rotarian-2015 Service Above Self Award
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Rotary 5510/Club volunteerism and support of
Rotary's call to "Service Above Self."*
Nominated by Honorable Mayor Jim Lane**

Max is the Executive VP Emeritus of the Society of Automotive Engineers, Intl. He was raised in So. California and graduated from the US Military Academy in 1960. He served his country as Artillery and Ordnance officers after which he earned masters degrees in engineering and business from Purdue. He joined an Indiana engineering firm and rapidly became CFO. In 1972 he joined Schwitzer, maker of engine components as a chief engineer. In 1981 Max joined Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), where in 1985 he was elected to Exec VP and GM. He was responsible for keeping SAE in the international forefront of automotive engineering. Today's technologies assisted by SAE include hybrid vehicles, IT in ground vehicles and aircraft safety.

Throughout his career, his passion has been Rotary and serving youth. He joined Rotary in 1969 his first of four Rotary Clubs and served as president of a Rotary club in Pittsburgh. He is committed to expanding the horizons of young people especially to be more internationally aware: growing Scottsdale's Rotary Youth Exchange program, expanding the youth program of Scottsdale Sister Cities, establishing International Clubs at seven high schools, and escorting students on education/cultural trips to Mexico, Morocco, Switzerland and soon China. He established Scottsdale student pen pal exchanges with Mexico and China. Max has assisted over 2000 Scottsdale youth increase their international know how and awareness. Because of his personal vision to have today's Scottsdale students be future international leaders in government, industry and non-profit organizations, many local students are studying international affairs or have initiated international careers. He also served as VP and President of Scottsdale Sister Cities, playing a key role in re-invigorating it and establishing two new sister cities. He currently serves as President-Elect of Scottsdale Rotary.

Max has two grown children by his first, now deceased, wife. Both children and all grandchildren have participated in Rotary Youth Exchange. In 2009, Max and Annette, a longtime resident of Scottsdale, were married.

Per Mayor Lane, Max is a dedicated Scottsdale ambassador. Under his guidance, over 200 high school students have had an international experience through foreign exchanges and summits. He has opened diplomatic doors to China to parlay economic opportunities for Scottsdale. He has assisted with Scottsdale Leadership Community projects.



Rachel Sacco

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within City of Scottsdale and support of
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Nominated by Kari Baker**

Rachel Sacco is President and CEO of the Scottsdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. Rachel has exemplified the gold standard of leadership and service in Scottsdale for twenty-nine years, whose service has directly led to the growth of Scottsdale, its charities, businesses, residents and the enjoyment of visitors. Rachel has led the efforts to brand Scottsdale, Arizona as a global destination for business and tourism. Rachel's vision and leadership helps bring 7.5 million visitors to Scottsdale annually and these visitors contribute \$2.6 billion in economic impact, including \$1.1 billion in direct spending in Scottsdale.

In 2012, Sacco was named one of the 50 Most Influential Women by Arizona Business Magazine. In 2011, she was honored by Scottsdale Leadership with the Drinkwater Leadership Award in recognition of her leadership and community service to Scottsdale. In addition, Sacco was inducted into the Arizona State University College of Public Programs' Alumni Chapter Hall of Fame, recognized in Arizona Foothills as one of 2008's "Women Who Move the Valley," and named to the Arizona Governor's Tourism Hall of Fame in 2006. Sacco is a National Board Member for the U.S. Travel Association and sits on the Arizona Lodging & Tourism Association Board. She was named to the Arizona Culinary Hall of Fame as a 2005 Culinary Ambassador, and named the 2004 Executive of the Year by the Phoenix Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators.

Rachel Sacco is a member of the Rotary Club of Scottsdale, the Scottsdale Chapter of the National Charity League, a volunteer at the Foundation for the Blind, the Phoenix Animal Care Coalition and Scottsdale Healthcare. Sacco is a National Board Member for the U.S. Travel Association and sits on the Arizona Lodging and Tourism Board. Rachel is also a member of the National Advisory Board for the Hugh Downs School of Human Communication at Arizona State University.





Jeanette Griswold **Crest Insurance Group**

(Formerly: Scottscom Insurance Services. Inc)
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Nominated by Dr. Honora Norton

Scottscom Insurance Services, Inc. has assisted individuals and businesses throughout the US with securing appropriate insurance protection by analyzing their individual or business insurance needs. Jeanette joined Scottscom in 1987 and became President when, in 1990, she purchased the company. Recently, Scottscom merged with Crest Insurance Group, an organization that shares the values of integrity and community service.

Scottscom's staff members have always been encouraged to support their community. Each year Scottscom provides funds for employees to purchase gifts for the less fortunate in their community. Jeanette has made community service for herself and her staff a way of life by supporting many community organizations: Phoenix Symphony, Make-a-Wish, Boys & Girls Club of Scottsdale, Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce (Board and Committees), Adopt-A-Road Program, Special Olympics. She also served on and chaired the City of Scottsdale Airport Advisory Commission. Jeanette joined the Rotary Club of Scottsdale in 1990, and served as Club President in 1999, started the Club's "Computers for Kids Program," served on District 5510/Tri-District Committees, as well as, served as Assistant District Governor. Jeanette currently serves on the board of the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Arizona and as president of two owner's association boards.

In 2014, Scottscom's staff purchased gifts for a Vista del Camino family; supported the Miracle Network by purchasing holiday decorations for hospitalized youth in Arizona; and held a food drive for Scottsdale's food bank at Vista del Camino. Over 100 local children had the opportunity to become more proficient in computers because they received a refurbished computer through the Computers for Kids project. Jeanette and her non-Rotarian friends volunteered at two events to pack food for Phoenix 100 Rotary's Feed My Starving Children Program; she, along with numerous non-Rotarian friends, sorted food at St. Mary's Food Bank.



Jason Washo

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Nominated by Bob Jackson

Jason E. Washo is a CPA, PFS, CFP® and owner of Scottsdale's Washo Financial providing Wealth Management Services to families and professionals in 13 states. He holds a Certificate in Financial Planning from Boston University ; is a graduate of Arizona State University with a B.S. degree in Accountancy; and a licensed CPA in Arizona since 1997. He has been the Financial Expert for AZ News Channel 3's website My-SweetConnection.com and has frequently appeared on AZ News Channel 3, ABC 15 and KPNX 12 News. His articles/comments about investing, insurance, retirement and financial planning have been published in the AZ Republic Newspaper, CNNMoney.com and US News and World Report. He has taught continuing education through the Arizona Society of CPA's and for the Arizona Council on Economic Education.

Jason is married to Karen and they have 2 children, Megan and Lucas. Jason is a native to Arizona and enjoys the outdoors by hiking and getting in some occasional trout fishing. He is involved in many volunteer activities currently serving as President of AZ JumpStart Coalition which seeks to improve the personal financial literacy of our state's youth, serves as the President of his Home Owners Association and proudly serves on Rotary Club of Scottsdale Board of Directors.

Jason initiated the Club's City of Scottsdale Clock Project" and its detailed plan to involve members and solicit donations; he led the clock's design, approval, contractor coordination and installation activities. Recently a memorable dedication luncheon and ceremony culminated a constant and tirelessly led effort by Jason over the past three years. As part of this project, \$20,000 over project cost was raised to fund future Club Foundation scholarships.

