Prescott Frontier Rotary Club

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Meets Wednesdays 11:30am at Touchmark, Prescott

Making A Difference for Prescott's Kids & Beyond! **November 11, 2026**

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November 4, 2026

Linda Mast led the Pledge of Allegiance & 4 Way Test. Ken Lain offered an invocation.

GUESTS: Today's guests were represented by B.J. Algood, Jane Dunham, fellow Rotarian, John Stewart, RC of Sun Up, former Rotarian, Chuck Revelle, RC of Prescott Frontier, Danielle Tomerlin & our presenter, Worcester Bong. **WELCOME!**

DRAWING: Kathy Nagy won the drawing for the $10.00 prize. Unfortunately, she drew the Three of Spades. As there will be no meeting on November 11th, the November 18th jackpot will be $170.00 with 45 cards in the deck. **RIGHT SUIT ...**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Donna Jacobs began the meeting by welcoming today's guests. She then introduced John Stewart from the Sun Up Club. He thanked our club for the support that we have provided for their past events. Following that tradition, John presented a check for $147.00 to purchase the remaining Grapes for Good (G4G) wine. Donna reported that this purchase brings the total to $1,027.00 to defray event costs. **THANKS SUN UP!**
- Donna continued by thanking the Service Slate team & the intrepid Frontiersman reporter. **GREAT JOB TEAM …** She continued by making a November Sunshine Committee report. Celebrating birthdays are Linda Crogan, Donna Jacobs, Michelle Lessard, Kathy Miller & Rex Townsend. A wedding anniversary is being celebrated by Kathy & Don Miller. Rotary anniversaries are Noel DeSousa ((31) George Higginson(38), Honorary Member, Tom Reilly (42) & Bard Schatzman (6). **CONGRATULATIONS!**
- Members were then reminded of the need for volunteers to help with the Veterans Day Parade float project. The next day to participate is this Saturday (11/17) at the Ponderosa Storage facility. For those that will participate in the parade the float is number five. Parade participants should arrive no later than 10 am. As parking is limited plan to arrive early. The float staging location is adjacent the Social Security building at 205 North Marina Street. **REMEMBER THE CLUB WILL NOT MEET ON VETERANS DAY.**
- Donna then made announcements of upcoming activities. There's still time for members to attend the district's Arizona Cardinals Game & Tailgate event on Sunday (11/29) at the State Farm Stadium in Glendale. Raffle opportunities are available to support Youth programs. If you can't attend, please consider sponsoring a Youth Exchange Student. Your $135.00 donation includes a game & raffle ticket. Then on Saturday (11/14), club members are invited to participate in the Rotary Connections training. Sessions I, II & III will be offered at the Glendale Community College. **BE THERE OR BE ...**
- Committee reports were then made by the respective chairs. On behalf of Linda Sweeney, Membership, Donna reported that Tiffany Rice was interviewed as a prospective member. The board will vote on her application during the next meeting on Tuesday (11/10). Rex Townsend, Rotary International (RI) Foundation, shared that November is RI Foundation month. He reminded members the club will continue to match contributions through next Wednesday (11/11). He emphasized the ease of using Rotary Direct to make foundation donations. Lisa Doherty, Public Image, welcomed Shari LeGate back from her recent hiatus. She shared that an invitation has been extended to the Daily Courier Editor as a future speaker. Donna continued by offering a Service Project update on behalf of Wendi Lancy. She acknowledged Diane Meek for the upcoming placement of flags on the veteran graves at the Rolling Hills Cemetery. Appreciation was extended to members that will participate in the Veterans Day parade. Upcoming service projects include Salvation Army Bell ringing, homeless meal preparation, Wreaths Across America & Mountain View Manor Christmas party. Linda Crogan, Youth Services, provided an update on the Prescott Basis Interact Club. The club is growing with eight current members. She shared that she will meet with the Embry Riddle Rotaract Club on Monday (11/9). Efforts are still underway to establish a Rotaract Club at the Yavapai College.

Speaker: Worcester Bong: Fort Whipple History

Worcester Bong is a volunteer with the Sharlot Hall Museum & President of the Prescott Valley Historical Society. He provided a comprehensive overview of the history of Fort Whipple. Fort Whipple is a former US Army post that was temporarily established in Del Rio Springs, north of Chino Valley & later relocated to Prescott. Originally, only tents & huts were in place, no permanent buildings were constructed at the Del Rio site. The post was named after Amiel Weeks Whipple, an American military officer & topographical engineer. In January, 1864, a Governors Party consisting of officials of the new territorial government of Arizona (AZ) arrived at Fort Whipple. Governor Goodwin used the fort as temporary headquarters while he visited the territory to determine a permanent location for the fort & territorial capital. In May,1864, the fort was relocated 21 miles south to a location adjacent Granite Creek in present-day Prescott. Fort Whipple served as a tactical base for regiments involved in the American Indian Wars between !864 & 1866. In 1870, the fort became the headquarters of the Military Department of AZ. In 1898, following the declaration of the war on Spain, Fort Whipple served as a point of muster for AZ volunteers called the AZ Cowboy Regiment. In 1902, the fort housed & treated troops returning from the Spanish-American & Phillipine-American Wars. In 1918, during World War I, the fort served as US Army General Hospital #20. The hospital treated soldiers with respiratory illnesses, primarily tuberculosis. In July, 1930, President Hoover established the Veterans Administration (VA). In July, 1959, the VA re-designated Fort Whipple as a general medical & surgical hospital, in part due to the decline of tuberculosis patient load & increase in medical & surgical load. In years to follow, significant expansion & construction occurred since the time the VA acquired the former Fort Whipple site. Notable buildings include the Community Living Center, Domiciliary, Outpatient Mental Health & Pharmacy/Laboratory buildings. In, 2024, renovations to the former officer quarters began to provide patient housing. To date, all apartments are occupied.

Sergeant at Arms: Due to time constraints, Linda Crogan deferred penalties & opted to focus on Happy Bucks. **BOY DID THE CHATTY KATHY'S LUCKED OUT THIS TIME ...**

CLUB SERVICE SLATE

	Nov 11th	Nov 18th	Nov 25th
Set Up/Down:	No Meeting	Linda Mast	No Meeting
Greeter:	No Meeting	Linda Sweeney	No Meeting
Check In:	No Meeting	Diane Meek	No Meeting
Sgt-at-Arms:	No Meeting	Kathy Nagy	No Meeting
Reporter:	Robert Wertz	Robert Wertz	Robert Wertz

Special thanks to Joe Brown & Touchmark for hosting our meetings!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 10: FRCF Board Meeting
Nov 11: PFRC Board Meeting
Nov 11: Veteran's Day Parade
Dec 2: Annual Club Meeting

UPCOMING PROGRAM

Nov 11th: No Meeting
Nov 18th: Kelly Cading: Regional Water Issues
Nov 25: No Meeting

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