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DECEMBER 17, 2014

Phoenix Arcadia Sunrise Rotary Club

Speaker Calendar:

- *December 17: Debra Felix, City of Phoenix Recycles*
- *December 24: Dark for Christmas*
- *December 31: Dark for New Year's Day*

DECEMBER IS ROTARY FAMILY MONTH

December marks what is officially designated as Family Month in the Rotary calendar.

As we approach this Season, we are more conscious of a focus on family and family reunions. Most people celebrate on some level, commerce slows down and many families take their annual holidays. So, December is indeed a time to reflect on family values and how Rotary shapes those values.

In Rotary we see our life priorities as family, work and then Rotary. But ideally we should not isolate Rotary from our family

life.

Past RI President John Kenney said it well. "The idea of the family of Rotary is a simple one, and one that we celebrate every December during Family Month. Every Rotarian is part of the Rotary family--but our family is much larger than just our 1.2 million members. The family of Rotary includes every one of the men, women, and children who are involved in our work: the spouses and children of our members, our Rotary Foundation program participants and alumni, and all of those who are part of our programs, in

the tens of thousands of Rotary communities around the world."

During this special time of year, we all need to keep our families in mind and celebrate by including them in our Rotary activities. Let's include our children, spouses, and partners in our Holiday celebrations. When we have our special events for this holiday, invite those special persons to participate. Ask them to join in on the festivities whether it be singing, collecting items for the needy or simply attending that special holiday event that occurs this time of year.



JOKE O' DA WEEK

Sister Mary, who worked for a home health agency, was out making her rounds visiting home-bound patients when she ran out of gas. As luck would have it, a gas station was just a block away.

She walked to the station to borrow a gas can and buy some gas. The attendant told her that the

only gas can he owned had been lent out, but she could wait until it was returned.

Since the nun was on the way to see a patient, she decided not to wait and walked back to her car.

She looked for something in her car that she could fill with gas and spotted the bedpan she

was taking to the patient. Always resourceful, she carried the bedpan to the station, filled it with gas and carried the full bedpan back to her car.

As she was pouring the gas into her tank, two men watched from across the street. One of them turned to the other and said, "If it starts, I'm turning Catholic."





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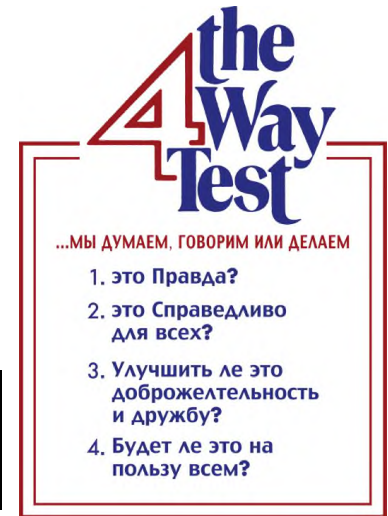
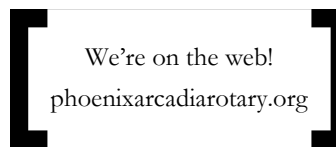
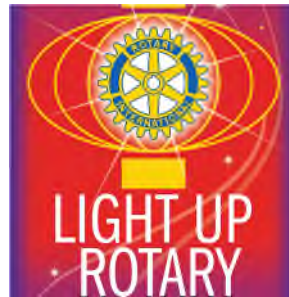
Our Children, Our Future.

Meets Wednesday mornings at 6:45 AM
Vincent on Camelback
3930 E Camelback Rd,
Phoenix, AZ 85018

President, Dan Laux
President-Elect, Jim Wilson,
Treasurer, David Demaine
Community Service, Judy Wilson
Vocation Service, Jim Wilson
Club Service, Betty Peterson
Membership, Mike Burke
International, Sujoy Spencer-Thorlakson
Past President, Mike Curlee
Newsletter, Jim Wilson

Founded in 1988, the **Phoenix Arcadia Rotary Club** has a strong tradition of serving the community, state, and the world. Our primary areas of service have been youth health and education, and international projects to improve the quality of life in less prosperous countries. Hands-on work, fellowship and fund-raising have been the hallmarks of Phoenix Arcadia Rotary for over 25 years. Besides the Rotary International slogan *"Service Above Self"*, our club's slogan is... *"Our Children, Our Future"*.

Our gatherings promote community service and fun with new friends as we enjoy this Rotary experience. Please, come see what it is all about. *You might find yourself enjoying a whole new experience. We can't wait to meet you!*



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 9: Noel Markman

December 17: Lee Raddatz

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2006; Bill DeMars

SCOREBOARD



Volunteer Hours	236
Vocational Scholarship	2
Service Projects	2
Paul Harris Fellows	76%
Social Events	1
RYLA Sponsorship	0

50 THINGS EVERY ROTARIAN SHOULD KNOW

Steve Garret, 5300 District Governor 1994-1995 presented "50 Things Every Rotarian Should Know About Rotary". We shall endeavor to present one a week during the next year.

#14—EXCHANGE OF CLUB BANNERS

One of the colorful traditions of many Rotary clubs is the exchange of small banners, flags or pennants. Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at "make up" meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events.

The Rotary International board recognized the growing popularity of the banner exchange back in 1959 and suggested that those clubs which participate in such exchanges give careful thought to the design of their banners in order that they be distinctive and expressive of the community and country of which the club is a part. It is recommended that banners include pictures, slogans or designs which portray the territorial area of the club.

The board was also mindful of the financial burden such exchange may impose upon some clubs, especially in popular areas where many visitors make up and request to exchange. In all instances, clubs are cautioned to exercise discretion and moderation in the exchange of banners in order that the financial obligations do not interfere with the basic service activities of the club.

Exchanging club banners is a very pleasant custom, especially when a creative and artistic banner tells an interesting story of community pride. The exchange of banners is a significant tradition of Rotary and serves as tangible symbol of our international fellowship.