

# FOCUS ON FOUR PEAKS ROTARY JANUARY 2019

**JOIN US FOR  
BREAKFAST and  
CHANGE THE WORLD**

Club meetings are the second and fourth Thursday of each month,  
6:45 – 8 AM  
Fountain View Village

*Back by popular demand:  
The monthly (new and improved)  
**Four Peaks Quiz!***

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Fountain Hills, Arizona

Rotary District 5495

<http://fourpeaksrotary.org/>

January 2019

## ***Four Peaks Rotary Gears Up for Busy, Successful 2019***



**Caitlin Crommett, founder of Dreamcatchers, will headline the Club's January 10 meeting.**

*Caitlin, a 2015 graduate of Notre Dame University, will talk about her organization's mission and goals – working with terminally ill patients and helping their dreams and wishes come true.*

Off to a slow, sluggish start for 2019?

Not Four Peaks Rotary.

The Club is hitting the ground running in the New Year with two fast-approaching major fundraising events as well as a host of outstanding speakers and activities throughout the coming spring.

While picking up trash may not sound glamorous and exciting, it nevertheless is a cornerstone for the Club's fundraising efforts twice a year. All Club members are urged to keep open dates for **February 22-24** to volunteer for the **Fountain Hills Great Fair** trash duty. Club Head Sanitation Engineer Doug Lawyer will soon be sending sign-up information to all members.

The Club's marquee event of the year is also right around the corner. The annual **Four Peaks Rotary Golf Outing** is set for **March 18**, once again at the Ancala Country Club in Scottsdale. Golf committee Chair Jeff Poynter will be asking all Club members to volunteer and participate in gaining sponsorships for the event.

## *Featured Four Peaks Rotarian: Pat Tuttle*

# Why Did I Join Rotary?

*Each month a Four Peaks Rotary Club member answers the question: **Why Did I Join Rotary?** For January please welcome **Pat Tuttle**, who is celebrating her 30<sup>th</sup> year as a Rotarian and serves as the Club's Hospitality Chair.*



Prior to becoming a Rotarian, I was a spouse of a Rotarian and was known as a "Rotary Ann."

**(Editor's note: If you don't know what a 'Rotary Ann' is, do yourself a favor and Google the term. Thankfully, Rotary has come a long way since 1987)**

In October of 1988 I was pleased to be invited to join Rotary and become a Rotarian.

In the 25 years that my husband Roy had been a Rotarian, I was already aware of the projects and meaning of Rotary at the local level.

In 1967 we attended our first District Conference, followed by many more. It was on this level that Rotary took on an enlarged perspective and involvement for me.

Our small club hosted exchange students annually. I became involved with them for the club as well as the District. Soon the local school board asked me to be the counselor for all Exchange students from other programs. Our oldest daughter was an Exchange student to Mexico and it was the best experience for her. As a family we hosted eight Exchange students.

Roy was District Governor in 1990-91 and as he made his official club visits, it became apparent the clubs did not know "what to do with me". I was the first District Governor wife as a Rotarian. It was the tradition to entertain her so sometimes I was, or sat in on the board meetings, shopped, and always carried a good book.

We were fortunate to be able to attend eight Rotary International Conferences. It is exciting to experience the international flavor of Rotary.

As we made the move to Fountain Hills we wanted to stay involved with Rotary and it was exciting to be part of the forming of and charter member of the Four Peaks club. The focus of Four Peaks with youth and the community involvement make a positive statement.

I am proud to be a member and treasure my Rotary family.

## **'Fireside Chat' Meeting Tentatively Scheduled for Late January**

All new members of Four Peaks Rotary within the past year are strongly urged to attend the upcoming annual "Fireside Chat" meeting, date and location to be announced.

Traditionally held in January, the Fireside Chat helps to create a Club atmosphere that's comfortable and inviting to all recent inductees. Current Club officers will attend to explain procedures and protocol as well as to answer questions regarding Club history and current events.

Look for more information coming soon.



*Four Peaks Holiday Party at Firerock Country Club a Huge Success!*



*Over 50 members and guests filled the ballroom at Firerock Country Club on December 4 to celebrate the holiday season. Highlighted by scrumptious sit-down entrée service, a lively dance floor, and wandering carolers, the party*

*celebrated not just the joyous season but the culmination of a great year-end of activities for Four Peaks Rotary. Thank you to **Social Chair Nicola Bird** along with her team of **Robin Brand** and **Bob Jacobius** for their work in coordinating the event.*



## Joint Rotary Holiday Train Display Wraps-Up After One Month Run



Four Peaks Rotary and the Fountain Hills Rotary clubs joined together during the recent holiday season to sponsor Ken Burling's train display at the Community Center from December 2 to December 28.

Major kudos to Four Peaks volunteers **Clay Benkowski, John Colucci, Dave DeLucia, Lady Sue Hendershott, Bob Jacobius, Doug Lawyer, Bill Pape, Jeff Poynter, Jack Reynolds, Roger Riggert, Alex Ross, and Tim Taylor** for their work in serving as Rotary hosts.

While the show was successful from a logistical standpoint, crowd size did not measure up to expectations. The event is being evaluated to determine if Four Peaks Rotary will co-sponsor for next year.

## *Your Opinion Matters*

# **Four Peaks Rotary Members Asked to Participate in Online Survey to Evaluate Club's Achievement Level**

All Four Peaks Rotary members will soon receive an online survey from the Club asking for 100% participation.

The Club's Board of Directors is currently in the process of developing an assessment that will gauge the Club's effectiveness in a number of key areas, among them level of satisfaction with meeting content, speakers, social activities, public relations, fundraising

capability, new membership participation, meeting times and location, and a myriad list of other issues.

Survey answers will be totally anonymous with members encouraged to reply in honest, open terms. Results of the survey will be tabulated and discussed at a future Club meeting.

Target date of the survey sent to all members is by/before early February.



## ***Are You Ready for the Annual Four Peaks Rotary Super Bowl Party?***

Double check your calendar to make sure you've got **Sunday, February 3** marked for this year's annual **Four Peaks Super Bowl bash**.

Club party maestro Jeff Poynter along with partners Bill Beamish and Social Chair Nicola Bird are sure to have a buffet of great food and beverages available, along with the usual assortment of games to win all while watching the Big Game.

The action starts at 1:00 at the **Desert Canyon Country Club's DC Grill**. More information to follow as the date draws closer.

## **Annual Pilgrimage to Hermosillo, Mexico Set for January 18**

Four Peaks Rotary will once again lend a helping hand at Casa Esperanza in Hermosillo, Mexico.

The date is January 18 to 20 when Club members, family, and guests are invited to travel to Hermosillo to volunteer a weekend of work at the Casa Esperanza Orphanage.

Contact Pam Carlson at 602-677-4218 for all information.

Four Peaks Rotary will once again be on display at the **January 23** Fountain Hills **Activities and Volunteer Expo** at the Community Center from 2 – 4 pm.

The Club's display will feature benefits for new members and information on how to join the Club.

Contact Membership Chair **John Colucci** for more information.

## **JANUARY** Four Peaks **Happy Birthdays!**

*Note:  
All birthday and  
anniversary dates  
are taken from the  
Four Peaks Rotary  
website.*



**Richard Halsten**  
January 2



**Bob Jacobius**  
January 20



**Sandy Davis**  
January 22



**Chris Enos**  
January 31

## **JANUARY** Rotary **Anniversaries!**



**Tim Taylor**  
1980



**Jack Reynolds**  
1985



**Pat Tuttle**  
1988



**Gil Miller**  
1990



**Art Tolis**  
1993



**Dick Bauer**  
1996



**Rob Clausen**  
2005



**Bill Pape**  
2011



**John Gianotti**  
2014

## FOUR PEAKS ROTARY Club Officers and Directors



*Boards of Director Meetings are held the first Monday of each month and are open to all Club members*

### Officers

**President** Scott Schlossberg  
**President Elect** Jeff Poynter  
**Vice President** Scott Sommer  
**Secretary** Lady Sue Hendershott  
**Treasurer** Patrick Benkowski  
**Immediate Past President** Art Tolis

### Board of Directors

John Colucci  
 Buzz Ponce  
 Larry Webster

### Four Peaks Rotary Foundation

**President** Bill Beamish  
**Vice President** Sandy Davis  
**Secretary** Gil Miller  
**Treasurer** Tony Finocchio  
**Directors** Dave DeLucia, John Gianotti, Doug Lawyer  
**Giving Committee Chair** Roger Riggert  
**Foundation Committee Chair** Jack Reynolds

### Rotary District 5495 Assistant Governor

Jay Schlum

### Sergeant at Arms

Jerry Berna

### Membership Chair

John Colucci

### Social Chair

Nicola Bird

### Hospitality Chair

Pat Tuttle

### Service Committee Chair

Larry Webster

### Administration Committee Chair

Bill Pape

### Interim Web Site Administrator

John Colucci

### Public Relations Chair

Buzz Ponce

## JANUARY FOUR PEAKS ROTARY QUIZ!

Win a **FREE BREAKFAST** at the next Four Peaks Rotary Club meeting! Be the first to answer:

**What is (or what was) a Rotary Ann?**

Send answer to

[buzzponce@gmail.com](mailto:buzzponce@gmail.com)

**Disclaimer:** If you have been a winner in the last six months, you are not eligible to win in January. Sorry 'bout that!

