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Feast

Aug 16, 2011 at 6:00 PM



Meeting Location Bonsai Boojum Room

Aug 08, 2011

The Rotary Club of Tucson will be meeting this week, August 10, in the Bonsai Boojum Room of the Doubletree Hotel.



Dr. Lee Ryan - Aging and the Brain

Aug 08, 2011

Dr. Lee Ryan completed her undergraduate work at University of Toronto, received a Ph.D. in Cognitive and Clinical Psychology at the University of British Columbia in 1992, and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of California at San Diego. She is the Director of the Cognition and Neuroimaging Laboratories at the

University of Arizona, making magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) technology available to cognitive researchers on campus.

As an associate professor in the Cognition and Neural Systems program and the Clinical Neuropsychology program at the University of Arizona's Department of Psychology, Dr. Ryan teaches undergraduate classes in human memory and graduate level courses such as Human Brain Behavior Relationships, Cognitive Neuroscience, and Principles of Neuroanatomy. As a clinical psychologist, Dr. Ryan works with individuals and families who are coping with chronic and progressive diseases that affect cognitive functioning, including multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and Alzheimer's disease.



Mystery Editor August 3

Aug 08, 2011

On another wonderful Tucson Wednesday we opened with firefighter poem, in honor of our guest speaker. PAULINE HECHLER, Tucson Community Food Bank, recited the poem about knowing loss before knowing kindness. The one and only SONNY SOLOT was so excited about singing that we almost skipped the pledge! Luckily he gathered himself, led us in a proper pledge and we sang "America the Beautiful" together. We all made it through lunch and had a great laugh as the "Rowdy Table" was very excited about our guests introduced by BOBBY LARSON.

We celebrated birthdays and heard about the amazing contributions of DON SHROPSHIRE, our Man About Town! Love his bow ties! He spoke of his deep admiration for his fellow members and of his "mid-week therapy" at our weekly gatherings. I agree wholeheartedly! He made two more Paul Harris donations for family members.

Important announcements regarding Car Show -SELL THOSE TICKETS! Home Hospitality-PLEASE OPEN YOUR HOME! Wine Dinner at Feast-COME JOIN US! Operation Homefront-PLEASE DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES! A shout out was given for new member JENNIFER HOFFMAN and congratulations to CHARLOTTE

GUESTS for Home Hospitality Week! Aug 27 - Sep 4

Various HOSTS' Venues
Aug 27, 2011 - Sep 04, 2011

Hike September 24

Sep 24, 2011

Tucson Classics Car Show

the lawn of St. Gregory's Preparatory School
Oct 22, 2011

District 5500 Conference

Doubletree Hotel
Oct 28, 2011 - Oct 30, 2011

El Tour De Tucson - Mike Harris Memorial Ride

Nov 19, 2011

San Carlos trip

San Carlos
Dec 02, 2011 - Dec 05, 2011

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HARRIS'S mother celebrating 101 years of life.

Madam President, JONI CONDIT, gave her remarks ahead of schedule. She strongly encouraged attendance at District 5500 Membership Workshop and to remember our matching funds for Paul Harris in of support El Tour de Tucson, which GARY HIRSH was very excited about! We received a thoughtful thank you note from local Boy Scouts, 7000 strong in Southern Arizona.

NINA TRASOFF, who loves firefighters, introduced Mike McKendrick of the Greater Tucson Fire Foundation. The thrust of his presentation was Honor the Past, Embrace the Present, Engage the Future. They are the group that takes care of the group that takes care of us, so it is very important to help support them in any way we can. Mike encouraged us to visit their offices to see the 1923 fire truck restoration. He also spoke about the special needs of firefighters for mental health care and equipment. Overall, a great reminder to be thankful for those who put themselves in danger to help us.

Our President, JONI, had to fine herself twice, accompanied by groans in the audience, but she was a good sport! And she closed out the meeting with another wonderful toast, "Do the right thing when it's not the easy thing."

**Welcome New Member**

Aug 08, 2011

Please welcome the following member into the Rotary Club of Tucson. He will be formally introduced to the club by his sponsor at a meeting in the near future.

New Member: Tony Penn

Classification: Community & Social Services: United Way

Sponsor: Pat Raskob

**Rotary Club of Tucson Scholarships**

Aug 08, 2011

Our club committed to providing financial support for Tucson high school students (actually for Tucson High School students since that was the only high school in Tucson at the time) entering the University of Arizona almost 70 years ago and we have been doing so ever since. Well over 1000 students have received financial support from our Club over the years. By the mid 80's we were awarding scholarships to 10 high schools but Scholarship Chair Jon Wang expanded our reach to 23 schools that included every public high school, 2 private schools, and Arizona School for Deaf and Blind. We did so for approximately 20 years. Each student was presented a Rotary Scholarship Certificate at their respective graduation or awards ceremony, and a Rotary Club member attended that ceremony to personally present to the student on behalf of Rotary Club of Tucson. Within the last decade as University tuition has risen we shifted the focus to fewer students and larger scholarships, focused on students with financial need, and we also offered scholarships to Pima Community College. At the same time, we decided to develop stronger relationships with the students by encouraging them to attend some of our meetings and/or events each year to gain a better understanding of Rotary, and by offering them additional scholarships for a total of 4 years if they meet certain criteria: attend 4 or more Rotary meetings/events each year, maintain a 2.5 GPA minimum, obtain recommendation from their school counselor, submit an application along with a brief narrative on a selected topic, and obtain approval of the Scholarship Committee. Over the years our Club has donated on the order of \$1,000,000 in tuition assistance for young people seeking higher education. Last year we donated \$24,800 to 12 UA students and 1 Pima student. This year we plan to support the same mix of students at the very same level. When our scholars attend our meetings and events, please introduce yourself, make them feel welcome, tell them about Rotary, and encourage them in their academic pursuits. Many of these kids are future Rotarians. Thanks to all of our members who have contributed time and money over the many decades to make this program a long standing tradition of supporting our community through higher education.

Roger Harwell

Scholarship Committee Chair



Only Ten Weeks Until The Tucson Classics Car Show!

Aug 08, 2011

If you haven't sent out your letters to friends, family, and business associates urging them to purchase their Tucson Classics Car Show Tickets, you only have ten weeks left to sell your tickets and help your team cross the finish line with the most tickets sold! Sending them a letter explaining the purpose of the Car Show, how much fun it is for all, and directing them to buy on our website is the easiest way to get your tickets sold. Check with Past President Bob Shaff if you have any questions about using the website or ask your captain or co-captain for help. Remember to turn in all ticket stubs sold along with the associates monies to your team captain and co-captain this coming Wednesday. Remember, our goal is to exceed last year's sales by 25% so that we can use other people's money to do great things in our community and to continue to support Reading Seed!



Team Marauders Has a Special Mission!

Aug 08, 2011

We have some very busy Car Show Captains these days. If you're wondering what some of them are up to, just read on to find out about the "Milk Run" of Team Marauders led by Captain (yes, he was demoted) Kent Laughbaum!

Dear Marauders,

Yes, that's us . . . the Marauders. 12 motivated RCOT car show ticket sellers.

And we are going to tear the place-up! Just like our namesake, the fearsome B-26 Marauder of WW2 fame.

Here are your wingmen: Richard Bratt, Paul Cinalli, Nina Daldrup, Katie Dusenberry, Ted Forsberg, Phil Gutt (your talented co-leader), Sid Hirsh, Kent Laughbaum (your humble leader), Jim Mather, Joe Nevin, Bruce Read, Mike Schmidt.

Phil and I selected you personally for this important mission . . . to sell as many tickets as possible in preparation for C-Day (Carshow Day) on 22 October 2011.

For this first mission briefing I'm going to keep it simple. WW2 bomber crews would call this a "Milk Run."

1. Each wingman has received 50 tickets.
2. When you sell a ticket keep the stub for turn-in. Ensure that the ticket stub has the buyer's contact details for the Corvette raffle.
3. Place the ticket stubs and cash or checks into an envelope. Ensure your name is on the outside of the envelope.
4. Find me or Phil Gutt at the Wednesday meeting and we will take the envelope.

Like I said, it's a Milk Run!

Marauders, we have a last minute piece of pre-mission intelligence. One of our fellow wingmen, Joe Nevin, has already returned from a reconnaissance flight to report that the sky is clear, and that he successfully delivered his entire bomb bay of tickets on target. I've submitted Joe to HQ for a medal to recognize his gallantry.

OK, time to catch the jeep to our aircraft. Godspeed!

Kent Laughbaum
Rotary Club of Tucson



The President's Corner

Aug 08, 2011

Some years ago seasoned Rotary Club of Tucson members took a look at why some relatively new members were dropping out of our club after just a short period of time. After interviewing some past members, they learned that while our club made a big deal out of new members when they were introduced, afterwards, they were left on their own to figure out where to fit in and how to get involved in a meaningful way. This led to the creation of the Mentoring Program where a new member was assigned someone who had been in the club awhile who would have a good rapport with the new member and would help to guide that member for at least the first year in Rotary. This



effort supplemented our STAR program and has resulted in new members having a much better understanding of what Rotary is and what various opportunities are available for new members in our club. The mentor serves as the first formal Club contact after someone becomes a new member. The mentor helps to "show the ropes" to a new member and to share their knowledge and experience. It has a great benefit to the mentor because often this leads to special and lasting friendships. We are working hard this year to recruit new members and to retain the wonderful new members we've gained over the past year. Mentors are essential to retaining these members and we look to all of you, our current members, to volunteer to help serve as a mentor to a new member. Sometimes the person who sponsors a member to our club will also volunteer to serve as the mentor, but in some cases, another member who has much in common with the new member may be a better choice. Please let either Kevin Wong or Nina Daldrup know if you are willing to serve as a mentor as they are busy trying to match up new members and mentors!



August 10 Menu

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Meat and Extra Cheesy Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Doubletree Chocolate Chip Cookies Served Family Style Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

Vegetarian option if reserved in advance: Vegetable Wrap or Fresh Fruit with Yogurt and Cottage Cheese

Membership and Attendance - August 3, 2011

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Membership

Active Members	184
Active Members AE	49
Total Active Members	236
Honorary	18

Scholarship Cups

Cash Contributions	\$	27.00
Quarterly with Dues	\$	230.00
Total Scholarship Cups	\$	257.00

Attendance August 3, 2011 Meeting

Active Members	97
Active Members AE	12
Honorary Members	0

Raffle	\$	None
Auction	\$	None

Total Members Present	109
Guests	3

Guests of the Club	2
Visiting Rotarians	1
Total Meeting Attendance	115