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## Upcoming Events



### No Meeting This Wednesday - Replace with Home Hospitality Week!

Posted on Aug 29, 2011

There will not be a meeting at the Doubletree Hotel this Wednesday, August 31. If you are a member, attend Home Hospitality as your replacement meeting or accomplish a make-up online or at another Rotary club meeting!



### Mystery Editor August 24

Posted by Ed Mystery on Aug 29, 2011

PRESIDENT JONI called the meeting to order at noon. PAULINE HECHLER gave the invocation. CRISSY PERHAM led us in the Pledge and America.

A better than average Doubletree Rotary luncheon salad was enjoyed by most. JESSE THORPE introduced our guests that included the parents of District Governor MICHAEL DRAKE.

Past President HUGH THOMPSON celebrated his birthday and related an interesting article he had read.

Elizabeth Campbell and CLIFF BOWMAN gave an excellent quarterly Reading Seed report. They emphasized the impact reading problems have on delinquency and school drop outs. RCOT has contributed over \$500,000.00 to Reading Seed. BOB SHAFF presented 500 tickets purchased by our members for Reading Seed Mentors. Another 500 were purchased for D-M.

President JONI urged us to recruit past members, entice them with the waiving of the \$300.00 fee. We've lost 12% of our membership in four years. She reminded us of the opportunity to obtain matching funds for Paul Harris contributions. We are hosting the District Conference Oct 27-30 that she encouraged us to attend. She informed us of her \$2,000.00 donation from her discretionary fund to the dictionary project. JONI bragged that she sold 20 car show tickets to Michael Drake.

Past President, Asst. District Governor CHARLOTTE HARRIS matched JONI also selling him twenty. She introduced DISTRICT GOVERNOR MICHAEL DRAKE. He praised past president RAY TERLIZZI who re-introduced him to Rotary and BOB ERNSTEIN'S 14 years as District Ambassadorial Scholarship Chair. He cited our club's past District Governors: EARL UPHAM, NELSON DAVIS, BILLY JOE VARNEY, and Phil Silvers. He praised the many contributions our club has made; encouraged us to be involved in the world of Rotary beyond our club. He provided an update on the battle to eradicate polio, and spoke proudly of his worldly Rotary experiences in Russia, Japan and India.

**Home Hospitality Filling Up Fast....Aug 27 - Sep 4**  
Various HOSTS' Venues  
Aug 27, 2011 - Sep 04, 2011

**STAR Training**  
Rincon Market  
Sep 15, 2011 at 5:30 PM

**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

**STAR Training**  
Rincon Market  
Nov 17, 2011 at 5:30 PM

**El Tour De Tucson - Mike Harris Memorial Ride**  
Nov 19, 2011

**San Carlos project**  
San Carlos, Mexico  
Dec 02, 2011 at 7:00 AM - Dec 05, 2011 at 6:00 PM

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing**  
Dec 10, 2011

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### Giving Every 3rd Grader in District 5500 A Dictionary!

Posted by Joni Condit on Aug 29, 2011

Last week our Club donated **\$2,000 towards a special district-wide project** for which Governor Michael Drake is highly enthusiastic. This will purchase (at \$1.75 apiece) 1,142 dictionaries for third graders across District 5500. Each student receives their very own book to keep. While the title of the book is "A Student's Dictionary," the breadth of information contained in it is much broader than the name implies. In addition to being a dictionary appropriate for any third grader, the book also includes in-depth biographies on our Presidents, valuable civic documents, and much, much more.

Each year, your Club President has a small but very useful discretionary fund out of our Club Foundation that he or she can determine how best to use to support something unplanned that complements our charitable mission and the goals of Rotary. I felt that this would be a good use of some of those dollars. Our Club has heavily invested in helping to improve the literacy of children throughout Pima County for nearly a decade through the support of Reading Seed. This project furthers the goals to make sure that the young students in our community develop solid fundamentals of reading. The young children of today will become the leaders in the future and it is critical to all of us that they have a strong foundation in reading.

This is a very cost effective program which coincides with the spirit and purpose of Rotary. **If you are interested in helping to distribute these dictionaries to the schools once they are ordered, please contact me so that we can help to arrange this!**



### September Birthdays

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Aug 29, 2011

Happy Birthday to Members:

Hal Adamson, John Adkins, Howard Birch, Jack Braddock, Steve Christy, Carolyn Emerine, Bob Earnstein, Guy Ferro, Will Gilkinson, Roger Harwell, Ted Kiracofe, Ralph Lautmann, David Pashkow, Ralph Phillips, Bob Shaff, Ray Weick, and John Wilson.

Call or email Mary Laughbaum to schedule the date you would like to celebrate at a Rotary meeting in September. Available Wednesday meetings are September 7, 14, 21, and 28.



### Ticket Topics

Posted by Bob Shaff on Aug 29, 2011

Congratulations to us all....through August 17th we have sold 4,000 Car Show tickets...20% of our goal of 20,000 tickets. Great progress. Better than last year at this time. Still, a steep hill to climb with 6 weeks of prime selling time to go.

Here are the BEST 5 ways to sell tickets:

- Send an email to your friends asking them to buy tickets
- Ask everyone you know to buy 2 tickets
- Sell tickets ONLINE. Purchasers now have the option to have us MAIL their tickets to them. Simple!! Easy!!
- Ask businesses you know to buy tickets for their employees and customers
- Team up with a few other RCOT members to sell tickets at the many upcoming Tucson events: The Greek Festival, Oktoberfest, the Oro Valley Car Show, and the Little Anthony's Car Shows.

Congratulations to Angela Baurley's team "Full Throttle" and Roger Harwell's team "Rogers' Rodders" for leading the way in team sales.

Congratulations to our perennial classic Car Show ticket seller, Jim Sumwalt, for leading individual sales with 410 tickets sold through August 17th.

The last laps of a car race are when "winners" come through. You have proven year after year that RCOT members are all "winners". Let's make the 2011 Tucson Classics Car Show the best ever by selling 20,000 tickets before the Day of the Show!!

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### LOA Members - You are Missed!

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Aug 29, 2011

Members currently on Leave of Absence from Rotary Club of Tucson:

Danny Scordato, Jim Wood, Chris Mooney, Shelby Hawkins, Robin Stoddard, and Pete Hersherberger.



### New Exchange Student Arriving!

Posted by Joni Condit on Aug 29, 2011

Our Club is very excited to announce the arrival of our newest exchange student that we are sponsoring. His name is Martin Maron and he is from Berlingen, Switzerland. He is 16 years old and quite the musician. He will be attending Tucson High School and initially will live with our member Vic Jacobs and her son, Jake. We will be searching for a additional host family to begin hopefully at the beginning of March to June 2012. At Home Hospitality this week, my husband and I sat at dinner with member Jonathan Martin, headmaster at St. Gregory's, and his wife Carman. They shared their wonderful experiences over the years hosting children from other countries and in particular, the close relationships they developed with hosting two high school girls when they lived in Oakland, California. They said that while their two boys were quite young, these girls became their "daughters" and were an important part of their family. So, if you have never taken the step of considering whether to be a host family, talk with our members who have done so in the past. Some of those include Larry Peth, Drew Vactor, and David Diamond to name just a few. You and your family will develop lifelong friends in another country.



### "A Taste Of Jazz"

Posted by Joni Condit on Aug 29, 2011

At our monthly Area Presidents' breakfast meeting each Club President talks about their upcoming projects and any special challenges their club may be encountering. In the event that our Club doesn't provide you with enough fellowship and fun, you can also participate in a special evening called "A Taste of Jazz" which is being hosted by the Foothills Rotary Club. This event will include a fun evening of jazz, drinks, and hors d'oeuvres to raise funds for the Hearsh Foundation, Youth on Their Own, and the Rotary Dictionary Project. The event is on Friday, September 16th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Tucson Convention Center. To sign up, just click on the link (or copy and paste into your browser) the following: <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/2011808373>



### The President's Corner

Posted by Joni Condit on Aug 29, 2011

About half of our Club members this week are enjoying the special benefits of Home Hospitality where nine of our members volunteered to host a meal at their home or restaurant. Our Club reimburses the host \$15 per member and guest. It is no cost to the member to attend because it is in lieu of our regular lunch meeting at the Doubletree, but guests (usually a spouse or significant other) are charged to the member bringing the guest on their quarterly bill. One of the great things about Home Hospitality is that there is more time to get to know members and their significant others better in a relaxed environment. You find out that while we are similar in our commitment to help our community and beyond, our group is comprised of individuals who have very different backgrounds, work history, interests, and talents. So, if you were unable to attend one this week or decided it wasn't for you, please reconsider the next time as it is great fun! We usually have two Home Hospitality events per year and they tend to coincide with dates that the Doubletree is not able to host our Club. The next one is planned for the week of the Gem Show.

On another note, I apologize for not being able to lead our next scheduled meeting on September 7th. I will be traveling to Durango, Colorado so that I can be present for my youngest sister's double mastectomy. She learned two weeks ago that she has invasive breast cancer and because of where it is, her oncologist and surgeon have determined that this is the necessary course of action. I share this personal news because as our family has reeled with her health issues, it has become evident that this is a disease that has touched nearly



every family. While there are many more options and treatments today for breast cancer and significant improvement in survival rates, this is still a disease that kills many woman and some men annually. It emphasizes the need for women to be diligent in getting regular mammograms and doing monthly self exams. I am very hopeful there will be a positive outcome for my sister and I very much appreciate that your President-Elect, Jim Lubinski, will be running the meeting on the 7th. I am certain that he will do a superb job. See you on September 14th!



### Resignations

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Aug 29, 2011

Michelle Hutchinson  
Bill Lindamood



### Membership and Attendance - August 24, 2011

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Aug 29, 2011



#### Membership

Active Members	186
Active Members AE	49
<b>Total Active Members</b>	<b>235</b>
Honorary	17

#### Scholarship Cups

Cash Contributions	\$	142.47
Quarterly with Dues	\$	230.00
<b>Total Scholarship Cups</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>372.47</b>

#### Attendance August 24, 2011 Meeting

Active Members	114
Active Members AE	14
Honorary Members	0

Raffle	\$	None
Auction	\$	None

#### Total Members Present

**128**

Guests	9
Guests of the Club	3
Visiting Rotarians	1
<b>Total Meeting Attendance</b>	<b>141</b>

