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[Fred DuVal, Arizona Board of Regents - Transforming the Arizona University System into an Integrated Enterprise](#)

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 12, 2011

Regent Fred DuVal currently serves as Chair of the Board of the Arizona Board of Regents. Additionally, he serves on the Board of the University of Arizona Medical Center-University Campus in Tucson.

DuVal served on the senior staff of Arizona Governor Bruce Babbitt from 1976 to 1988. In 1993, President Clinton appointed DuVal to the position of Deputy Chief of Protocol and in 1996 as Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs in the White House where he was a lead player in welfare, health care and education reform.

Upon returning to Arizona, DuVal served for five years on the Arizona Commerce and Economic Development Commission and led Arizona's 10-year economic planning process. He also has written extensively. In 2004, he authored the book "Calling Arizona Home" and has published over two-dozen opinion pieces on foreign affairs, economic development and education.



[Your Gift of Food this Week is Appreciated!](#)

Posted on Dec 12, 2011

Pauline Hechler will be collecting food and donations for the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona this week at Rotary. Consider bringing an food item or a cash / check donation to help provide food for those in need. Priority items:

Canned Meats
Canned Vegetables
Canned Soups
Cereal
Peanut Butter
Canned Fruit
Canned Tomato Products
Meal Mixes, such as Hamburger Helper or Rice-A-Roni
Condiments



[Mystery Editor December 7](#)

Posted by Ed Mystery on Dec 12, 2011

President JONI CONDIT opened the meeting and introduced JIM RONSTADT for the invocation. The pledge and song were led by SONNY SOLOT, who reminded all to remember that 70 years ago this day Pearl Harbor was attacked and many were lost. He was accompanied by GARY HIRSCH on the piano. JESSE THORPE introduced guests and visiting Rotarians.

Feb 08, 2012
[Judy Rich](#)
TMC

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Upcoming Events

Red Cross Blood Drive
Doubletree Hotel
Dec 14, 2011

Holiday Mixer
Windmill Suites Inn
Dec 21, 2011 at 5:00 PM

GRAND CANYON Hike
Dec 30, 2011 at 9:00 AM - Jan
01, 2012 at 9:00 AM

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Birthday honorees were JIM DAVENPORT, who thanked his sponsor DICK HAMILL and was happy to be around at 74, and ALAN SCHROPE who first recognized the San Carlos participants and thanked his Sponsor JEFF RONSTADT and mentor WOODY BURR.

Past President JON WANG described the difference between Rotary Club of Tucson Foundation (RCTF) and The Rotary Foundation (TRF). TRF deals with Rotary projects internationally and the RCTF provides for local projects. When giving to TRF donations should be made on line if possible and to track donations to RCTF for tax purposes one should write a check. KATHY KITAGAWA gave the financials for RCTF and reported the fund has more than \$1 million. The interest earned is used to support scholarships, Reading Seed, and various other community charities.

PAT LENNAN reported that the bell ringing is filled for Dec 10th however, substitutes are still needed. VIRGINIA LEAVITT encouraged members to sign up for the Holiday Mixer on December 21 and CHARLES MEAKER gave reminders about the Blood Drive on December 14.

Sergeant-at-Arms MATT BLAIR suggested folks that were chattering during reports pay \$1 and managed to collect a few. The obviously experienced auctioneer corralled President JONI CONDIT into purchasing U of A vs Clemson basketball tickets and the Rowdy Table robustly introduced a first timer at the table, Executive Director, MARY LAUGHBAUM.

CINDY GODWIN, Godwin Marketing Consulting, introduced our speaker, Ed Beshore, Director, Catalina Sky Survey. Ed talked about Near Earth Objects and their relevance to our earth. The Catalina Sky Survey consists of three huge telescopes, two in the US and one in Australia, that allow surveyors to watch the sky closely for asteroids or Near Earth Objects (NEO) that might hit the earth. One can view the telescope at Mt Lemmon Summit. There are over 600,000 NEOs and 70% of them are discovered by Catalina. No other country is pro actively looking at the sky. NASA spends \$4 mil per year to fund this project. One asteroid was found on Oct 6, 2008 300,000 miles from earth. The researcher identified its location, flight path, and speed to hit earth within 2 seconds of actual impact! Fortunately, the NEO was not big enough to do much damage. There are current studies to possibly change the trajectory of an NEO that approaches the earth. Most NEOs are not solid and Ed informed us that we have nothing to worry about any time soon.



The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona - TRVFA

Posted by Jan Green on Dec 12, 2011



Thank you to all Rotarians who have responded to the recent annual mailing from The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona entitled YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. Through the Arizona State Tax Credit Program for The Working Poor, Rotary can provide financial assistance to individuals endeavoring to acquire, develop, or improve specific job skills and needs. It awards scholarships to students and graduates of vocational and trade schools and community colleges. Over the past four years, nineteen (19) individuals have been sponsored by the Rotary Club of Tucson and funded over \$36,000. Our Club does MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Please consider your year end contribution to TRVFA. You may go to www.trvfa.org for further information or to make your contribution online.

I am always available for questions you may have regarding TRVFA.
Thank you,



Jan Green



How Well Do You Know Your Fellow Rotarians?

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 12, 2011

Burt Strug: In some parts of the world, Burt Strug is best known as the Olympic gold medalist, Kerri Strug's dad. He even made People magazine in April 2010 when Kerri got married. But to many of us in southern Arizona, Burt is recognized as one of the best cardio-thoracic surgeons our community has ever had. He followed in the footsteps of his dad, Lawrence H. Strug M.D., who was a professor of cardiac surgery at LSU Medical School and surgeon at Charity Hospital in New Orleans. Burt attended school in New Orleans until he graduated from high school, when he left to attend Brandeis University in Massachusetts. He then returned to New Orleans to attend Louisiana State University Medical School.

After graduating from medical school, Burt worked for a year at Charity Hospital as a surgical intern. He then moved Houston where he did a four year residency in general surgery at Baylor College of Medicine after which he completed an additional two years at Baylor specializing in Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery. This apparently wasn't challenging enough so Burt also joined the US Air Force Reserve while doing his residency, participating in the Berry Plan in Thoracic Surgery for eight years.

He moved to Tucson in 1977 to join a thoracic surgical group. In 1991, Burt joined the Associates in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery PC. Since then he provided considerable leadership in his field, helping to develop cardiac services at Northwest Hospital, developing a case manager program at St. Joseph's Hospital, participating on the long-range planning committee for Carondelet cardiac services, co-developing the cardiac surgery case manager program at Tucson Medical Center, and serving as a consultant for HCA-Columbia in cardiac surgery. He served as a cardiovascular consultant to HSAG (the quality assurance arm of Medicare) on the statewide CABG (coronary artery bypass graft) procedure. Burt is board certified in thoracic surgery and general surgery and is a Fellow in the American College of Cardiology, Surgeons, and Chest Surgeons. He has served in numerous leadership roles in our community and has numerous accolades. He has retired from surgery but remains very active.

Burt is married to Melanie and they have three children: Lisa, Kevin, and Kerri and four grandchildren (8,7,5, and 2) with another on the way. With such a busy life and career, Burt still found time to join the Rotary Club of Tucson in 1998, sponsored by Rich Flynn. Knowing as much as he does about heart health, Burt works out faithfully and is a regular tennis player. So if you ever wondered where Kerri learned about focus and discipline, you can just look to her parents who were great examples for Kerri and her siblings!



RCoT Rings Bells To Fill Red Kettles!

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 12, 2011

*Saturday was a good day not just for the U of A Basketball team, but also for Rotarian Bell Ringers all over Tucson. Lee and Judy Aitken were busy checking on those of us ringing on the east and north sides and Pat and Darleen Lennan were busy checking on those on the south and west sides of Tucson. There was a **total of 114 members and their family members who rang bells in pairs for two hour shifts at 14 locations.** It was a good opportunity to meet and greet people, wearing our Rotary aprons and giving out candy canes. The two hours went by quickly and it was a great opportunity to have a good visit with another Rotarian or your spouse or child! Many thanks to Pat and Lee for organizing this year's bell ringing! **We expect***



to have a total collected and identify the location that raised the most donations by our first meeting in January so stay tuned!



The President's Corner

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 12, 2011

This Wednesday's meeting, December 14th, will be the last regular meeting of 2011. We do have a Holiday Mixer on the following week, December 21st, but it will be a party with no announcements or speaker. We will be dark on December 28th (i.e. no meeting between Christmas and New Year's). Because of this, I hope you will be tolerant of a very busy meeting this week because we have a lot of items on the agenda! We will mix up the order of our normal schedule because our speaker, Fred Duval, needs to be on the road to Phoenix early. But don't rabbit because there will be some good things after that you'll want to hear!

Patrick Zumbusch and Joe Pennington are hoping to share the final numbers from our October Car Show Event at this week's meeting. We will also have several Paul Harris awards and a new member will be introduced. It is the Red Cross blood drive day this Wednesday and encourage all that are able, to donate blood. We have another special announcement in stock for you, but you'll have to show up to find out what it is! I look forward to seeing all of you Wednesday!



December 14 Menu

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 12, 2011

*Rosemary Garlic Pork Loin Slow Roasted, with Mashed Potatoes and Raisin-Cinnamon Demi Vegetables
Warm Rolls and Butter*

*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 - December 7, 2011

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 12, 2011

Membership

Active Members
Active Members AE
Total Active Members
Honorary

177	Scholarship Cups	
47	Cash Contributions	\$ 58.00
	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 230.00
224	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 305.00
17		

Attendance November 30, 2011 Meeting

Active Members
Active Members AE
Honorary Members

	Raffle	\$ None
	Auction	\$ 50.00

120
14
0

Total Members Present

Guests
Guests of the Club
Visiting Rotarians

134
4
1
1

Total Meeting Attendance

140

