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 No Make-up Required

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[Gerald Goodman](#)
 Match Play

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[Tara Jackson & Brint Wilward](#)
 National Institute of Civil Discourse

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[Guadalupe Ramirez](#)
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[Dr. Gene Sander](#)
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Upcoming Events



Holiday Schedule

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 19, 2011

We will not meet for lunch on Wednesday, December 21. The Holiday Mixer is a replacement meeting that evening at the Windmill Suites Inn in St. Phillips' Plaza from 5-7pm catered by Danny Scordato's Vivace's. **If you cannot attend the Mixer be sure to make-up for that meeting. Wednesday, December 28 is Dark for Rotary.** There is no meeting, and no make-up for attendance is required. **Our next club meeting is January 4, at the DoubleTree Hotel in the sunset portion of the ballroom.** The program will be a presentation by Gerald Goodman with Accenture Match Play.

The Rotary Club of Tucson office will be closed December 23 and December 30 in observance of Christmas and New Year's. Hours will be limited December 26 through December 30. The TucsoTarian will not be published the week of December 26. Happy Chanukah, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Mary and Arla!



Your Newest President-Elect-Elect!

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 19, 2011

If you were at our most recent meeting, you were able to hear Jim Lubinski, your President-Elect for 2012-2013, share a long list of hints about who will be your President for 2013-2014! It is none other than Dave Gallaher!

Dave Gallaher was born in San Marino, California but moved to Phoenix at the tender age of four. Nine years later the family moved to Tucson, setting down roots on the Northwest side. Dave attended and eventually graduated from Canyon del Oro High School, Class of 1973. He then joined the five-year college plan, attending Northern Arizona University before transferring to the U of A where he graduated in 1978 with a degree in Geography and Regional Development.

Upon graduating, Dave lived briefly in the Land of Enchantment before returning to Tucson for three years working for Tucson Economic Development. The itch to move struck him again, this time taking him to Washington where he worked for the Port Authority and the Governor's office. The Tucson pull was too strong and he once again returned in 1984 where he began a career in commercial and industrial real estate.

Four years later, our PEE met his spouse while attending a Rotary Group Study Exchange send-off party for a mutual friend. As it turns out they had known each other since the eighth grade. It was love at second sight; Susan and Dave were married later that same year.

Dave is and has been very active in the community. A past president on Big Brothers and Big Sisters, a former Amphi Schools Foundation board president and Amphi Foundation Person of the year, past "Event" party chair for the Boys and Girls Club, a 15 year Centurion (he said he would be fined if this was not mentioned . . .) and a 21 year member of our club where he has been active in youth exchange and various works projects and helped start the Boy Scout troop our club has sponsored for many years. He is also a Paul Harris Fellow.

Dave founded his company, Tucson Industrial Realty in 1987 and is a Certified Commercial Investment Management professional, a certification that only 2% of those in this field hold. In his free time he enjoys fly fishing, bird hunting, cooking and fine wine. He is married to his lovely wife,

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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Susan, and they have two children, a 21 year old son who is a young but accomplished musician currently playing with Calexico and Sergio Mendoza. And their daughter, a former Rotary exchange student, is currently a sophomore at ASU.

Please join me in welcoming our President Elect-Elect and eventually our club's 93rd president, Dave Gallaher!



Mystery Editor December 14

Posted by Ed Mystery on Dec 19, 2011

The December 14, 2011 meeting of the Rotary Club of Tucson was opened by President JONI CONDIT, who introduced PAT ZUMBUSCH. Pat gave a thoughtful invocation with the theme on Education. The Pledge and Song, America the Beautiful, were led by GORDON SHAW. He was accompanied by GARY GETHMANN on the piano. KEVIN WONG introduced the guests and welcomed them to the meeting. Birthdays were recognized for CLARK DUNCAN, BOBBY LARSEN, CAM MOORE, JACK PARRIS, and GARY SCHEER. MARGARET HIGGINS introduced the guest speaker, Fred DuVal, Chair of the Arizona Board of Regents. He gave an update on the Arizona Higher Education Enterprise. After recounting a history of budget cuts over the last four years, Arizona's underperformance in the educational field, and a bleak financial forecast for future years in educational spending, Mr. DuVal stressed innovation as the key for dealing with the harsh realities of present day higher education. Cutting out barriers between research universities and community colleges, utilizing the internet for classrooms, and using same course numbering in all state universities, were suggestions offered for streamlining the higher educational system. Closing on a positive note, Mr. DuVal noted that Arizona higher education had received a five hundred million dollar grant to study algae as a fuel alternative to petroleum. CHARLOTTE HARRIS and BOB LOGAN gave a spirited and lively introduction of six PAUL HARRIS Fellows. JOE NEVIN gave a Paul Harris Fellow to honor fellow Rotarian, CLEM LESLIE. CLEM related that during a recent hospital confinement, the first visitor he had was HUGH THOMPSON. It was good to see CLEM and his smile back at Rotary. TED KIRACOFE, RICH FLYNN and ROGER HARWELL were also recognized. ROGER honored his two impressive and productive children, Sarah and Casey, by contributing Paul Harris Fellows in their names. IRENE DECKER presented SUSAN MOORE-VAULT with her well deserved Blue Badge. After introducing new member JERRY HARRIS, JOE PENNINGTON reviewed the astounding results of the 2011 Tucson Classics Car Show. Record ticket sales resulted in a net profit of over \$115,000. Reading Seed will be awarded \$50,000 and St. Gregory will receive \$5,000. JOE was effusive in his praise for all who contributed their efforts, physical and financial, to this most successful project. ROBERT O'BRIEN and JIM SUMWALT were recognized as leading ticket sellers for the Car Show. JIM LUBINSKI, President Elect, introduced DAVE GALLAHER as his successor as President. PAT LENNAN thanked everyone who participated in the December 10 Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Over a hundred Rotarians and family members participated. A final accounting will be announced in January. VIRGINIA LEAVITT, accompanied by cacophonous members of the Rowdy Table, reminded us of the Holiday Mixer on Wednesday, December 21, at 5:00 p.m. at the Windmill Suites in St. Phillips Plaza. President Joni closed the meeting by reminding us that there will be no noon meeting on December 21 or December 28. The next lunch meeting will be on January 4, 2012. President Joni adjourned the meeting after she made a toast to the values and importance of education.



Honoring Our Troops

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 19, 2011

Along with the many important things that we honor and cherish in this holiday season, we should include all of the troops who have served our nation over the past decade in Iraq and Afghanistan and other parts of the world. Regardless of our individual political views, we should all be thankful for the dedication and sacrifices that millions of men and women and their children made for the war in Iraq. Please remember these service men and women in your prayers and thoughts this holiday season as many of them are together with their families for the first time in months or years.

Proposed New Members

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 19, 2011

The following applications have been submitted for membership in Rotary Club of Tucson:

Proposed Member: Jo DeChatelet, returning member



Classification: Accounting & Auditing: CPA

Sponsor: Charlotte Harris

Proposed Member: Glenn Ewing, returning member

Classification: Retailing: Computers

Sponsor: Gary Hirsch

Proposed Member: Alan Grove, returning member

Classification: Legal: Life Insurance

Sponsor: Roger Harwell

Proposed Member: Marian Abram

Classification: Legal: Business Law

Sponsor: Mike Orcutt

If no written objections are received within 7 days of publication, the applicants will be accepted into membership.



Looking For A Host Family For Leticia

Posted by David Gallaher on Dec 19, 2011

We just returned from taking Leticia and 3 other exchange students to join District 5490's annual Christmas trip to the rim at the Grand Canyon. A total of 15 kids and 7 adults made the trip. The Grand Canyon Rotary club helps to sponsor and/or underwrite some of the cost. The kids had a great Christmas type of weekend with a special trip from Santa. I was able visit Santa and asked him for protective armor gear.....fun was had by all! The kids were able to see Sedona on the way back.

We continue to enjoy Leticia; she is hosted by the Pantano Club and District 5500. She is a without a doubt the most grounded of the students we have hosted. She needs another host family in January to round out her experience although we will be sorry to see her go. While she is not our club's student, she is a District 5500 exchange student and is a great asset to Rotary. She would provide a great introduction into Rotary Youth Exchange for a family that may not have hosted before. Besides her great demeanor, she has an educated understanding of Rotary and I suspect that she will continue her relationship with Rotary as she gets older.

Leticia attends Amphi High School. If it would be easier for another family to host her, there is the possibility that she could attend Salpointe. We will also be hosting Martin (our club's student) for Christmas. He is moving to another host family on December 29th. If you have ever considered hosting an exchange student, Leticia would be a great student to start with! Please give me a call, an email, or talk to me at the Holiday Mixer this week.



Rotary Greetings from THFSA!

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 19, 2011

The Taj Hosting & Fellowship Society Agra (THFSA) was started eleven years ago by L. PDG Satish Wadhwa, from District 3110, to spread friendship between India and international Rotarians. Starting in 2000, the THFSA began to host international Rotarians in AGRA, aka the Tajmahal. Since then, many Rotarians from District 5500 have been hosted including a GSE team, a polio eradication team, and a team working on a matching grant. **The THFSA has hosted more than 1000 Rotarians in the homes of Agra Rotarians.**

The son of Satish Wadhwa, Rahul Wadhwa, has now assumed the role as the Patron of the "Taj Hosting and Fellowship Society Agra" and he, along with prominent Rotarians of Agra, are now offering a standing invitation to promote friendship and to host Rotarians in their homes for 2-3 days to share with them the 1st wonder of the world, Tajmahal, and other nearby monuments and to participate in a polio immunization day. If you or any other Rotarians are interested in participating in any future Polio Immunization Days, please contact Rahul at his email address: friendship@thfsa.com or ask me for the information and I'll provide it. **There are a number of immunizations planned in Agra, India in the first four months of 2012.**

The President's Corner

Posted by Joni Condit on Dec 19, 2011



As I look back over the past year, I realize that our Club offers each of us so much to be thankful for this holiday season. First and foremost, Rotary Club of Tucson members are just simply the best friends that anyone could have. Where else can you come to lunch every week and find at least 175 interesting, entertaining, and kind friends just waiting to sit beside you and share a lunch? Yes, we've lost some friends this past year, some sadly to death, some to moves out of town, and some because of the poor economy. We miss them and hope that the economy improves so that some of our past members can rejoin us.

Because of the diverse interests of our Club members, their high energy level, and commitment to make a difference in our community and beyond, the Rotary Club of Tucson has accomplished a great deal in 2011. We've helped to transition the Reading Seed program into a hopefully long term strong position as a vital part of a literacy continuum so that children in our community will read at grade level by third grade. Your Club continues to support a number of Pima College and University of Arizona students so that we will have a more educated workforce. The success of 2010's Classics Car Show not only provided Reading Seed with \$50,000 to continue its important role, but it also funded two other selected and deserving organizations with money to support their programs. The 2011 Classics Car Show has been the most successful of the five thus far raising a net of more than \$115,000 for Reading Seed and community charities yet to be selected.

Besides these major local projects, RCoT members supported international projects. Our Club was a major force in the latest push for the End Polio drive with members riding, volunteering, and raising more than \$110,000 in the recent El Tour de Tucson. Larry Peth secured a matching grant for a solar lighting project for a school in Tanzania. Your International Committee continued its efforts on the Nogales Wheelchair project in spite of significant challenges anticipating completion in early 2012. The San Carlos Christmas Drive in partnership with the San Carlos Rotary Club resulted in another year of smiles and joy for the children in that community and satisfaction and fun for the Rotarians who participated.

Besides all of the good works that were done (and too numerous to recount here), Club members simply had fun together: hiking, sharing special winetastings and dinners, reading to children as Reading Mentors, hosting and attending Home Hospitality, and hosting exchange students and GSE team members from the Middle East. We are indeed a busy group!

I wish each and every one of you and your loved ones a blessed holiday season and a healthy, happy, and prosperous year in 2012! CHEERS!

Membership and Attendance - December 14, 2011

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Dec 19, 2011

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	177	Cash Contributions	\$ 49.00
Active Members AE	47	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 230.00
Total Active Members	224	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 279.00
Honorary	17		
Attendance December 14, 2011 Meeting		Raffle	\$ None
Active Members	108	Auction	\$ None
Active Members AE	15		
Honorary Members	0		
Total Members Present	123		
Guests	11		
Guests of the Club	7		
Visiting Rotarians	2		
Total Meeting Attendance	143		

