

Wed Mar 14, 2012

[Home](#)

*Editor Joni Condit*

*If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor.*

## Weekly Program

Mar 14, 2012

[Lendre Kearns](#)

Behind the Scenes - Broadway on the Road

Mar 21, 2012

[Bonnie Allin](#)

Tucson Airport Authority

Mar 28, 2012

[Jonathan Rothschild](#)

Mayoral Address

Apr 04, 2012

[Jim Ewen](#)

Auto Industry / Designing Cars

Apr 11, 2012

[Saad Allawi](#)

Reengineering Iraq: A Businessman's Approach

Apr 18, 2012

[Stevie Mack and Kathleen Williams of CRIZMAC](#)

What is "Day of the Dead?"

Apr 25, 2012

[Paul Melendez](#)

Ethics

May 02, 2012

[Dr. Clara Curiel - Cancer](#)

Please note room change to Bonzai Boojum Room

May 09, 2012

[Rick Meyers](#)

Critical Path

[View entire list...](#)



### Behind the Scenes: Broadway on the Road

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Mar 12, 2012

It's easy to be entranced by the fantastic production values of a Broadway show – the scenery, costumes, lighting and a host of technical effects – but have you ever wondered how all that stuff managed to get onto that stage?

The touring Broadway business gets bigger every year – more than two hundred venues around the country are presenting Broadway shows, and admission last season was nearly 16 million people. Broadway in Tucson, part of the venerable Broadway family The Nederlander Organization, brings the best of them to downtown Tucson.

Lendre will share the facts of the business of Broadway and the fun of what goes on behind the scenes in this upcoming presentation.

Lendre Kearns moved to Tucson in 2007 to take the helm of Broadway in Tucson. Her career in the performing arts industry has spanned 40 years including work as an actor and broadcaster as well as in Marketing and Management. She's also no stranger to life on the tour bus having spent a decade working with the internationally acclaimed Royal Winnipeg Ballet.



### Mystery Editor March 7

Posted by Ed Mystery on Mar 12, 2012

The Rotary Club of Tucson met at the Bonzai Boojum room at the Doubletree Hotel, so there was no head table. JIM RONSTADT gave the invocation. ERNIE MINCHELLA lead the pledge prefaced by the history of how "America" got its name and we all sang "America the Beautiful". GARY GETHMANN played the piano.

KEVIN WONG introduced the many guests we had, which filled the room to capacity, this lovely windy March day! Happy Birthday greetings were given to MAGGIE KOSINSKI, CAROLE LITTLE, DREW VACTOR and ELLIE PATTERSON. All spoke of what Rotary meant to them and thanked their sponsors!

It was a delight to hear Elizabeth Campbell report on the Reading Seed. She thanked Rotary for their support with earnings from the Car Show. The next reading mentor class is March 29; all Rotarians are welcome to volunteer. Reading Seed has 1000 volunteers mentoring children with "one on one support," raising the child's reading level and their confidence with the personal attention they receive.

Announcements: 1) BRUCE TUNZE and BOB WEBB have organized the next Wine Fellowship at Verona on March 20th. 6 pm, 120 S. Houghton Road. Cost is \$50 per person with an array of wines to complement a colossal buffet featuring lovely Italian entrees. Sign up on our website,

## Upcoming Events

<b>STAR Training</b> Rincon Market Mar 15, 2012 05:30 PM
<b>Verona Restaurant Wine Dinner</b> Verona Italian Restaurant Mar 20, 2012 06:00 PM
<b>Rotary Team - Race for the Cure</b> Mar 25, 2012
<b>District 5500 Assembly, Tucson</b> Mar 31, 2012
<b>Works Projects Committee - Painting Day</b> Mar 31, 2012
<b>Blood Drive</b> Apr 04, 2012
<b>Rotary District 5500 Work Day</b> Apr 28, 2012
<b>Rotary Clothes Closet Cleanout</b> May 02, 2012
<b>Norma Peale Book Drive</b> May 02, 2012
<b>Change of Administration Party</b> Jun 30, 2012
<b>Tucson Classics Car Show 2012</b> Oct 13, 2012

## Board of Directors

President <b>Joni Condit</b>
Past President <b>Marianne Freitas</b>
President Elect <b>Jim Lubinski</b>
Treasurer <b>Patrick Zumbusch</b>
Secretary <b>Virginia Leavitt</b>
Sargeant-At-Arms <b>Matt Blair</b>
Director <b>Robert Logan</b>
Director <b>Marcia Krumwiede</b>
Director <b>Cheryl House</b>
Director <b>Drew Vactor</b>
Director <b>Alan Schroepe</b>
Director <b>Irene Decker</b>

spots are limited! 2) SID HIRSH and the director of the Race for the Cure spoke of the upcoming event on March 25th and encouraged members to sign up for the race. The non profit has seen declines with the recent bad press about Susan G. Komen Co. 3) VIC JACOBS introduced new members and gave them all packets: JILL MADDEN, LINDSAY GANIN, and STACIA DECKER. MARK IVRIN was welcomed back to the club! 4) TOM ANDREWS spoke of the approval by the Forest Service to allow 20 hikers to go to the Grand Canyon next March. There are only 20 spots - everyone who wants to go should send \$100 deposit to Tom so that he can make the deposit to the Grand Canyon.

The final act in today's Rotary Club of Tucson meeting was absolutely heartwarming and amazing as we heard about the GSE, or Group Study Exchange, from HUGH THOMPSON, Phoebe Mills-Cager and Andrea Gardner. The trip recently returned from a good will exchange with seven countries in the Middle East. We were all amazed to hear of all three participants experiences and what they each got out of their visits, and what their goals were in going on this trip. It was applauded as a wonderful experience with the Rotary goals of global interaction helping to promote world peace.

At 1:20, our wonderful President JONI CONDIT, made closing remarks and gave a toast to the GSE team, a flag was exchanged with Visiting Rotarian Ameer Al-Tamimi from the Rotary Club of Ramallah.



### How Well Do You Know Your Fellow Rotarians?

Posted by Joni Condit on Mar 12, 2012

Schuy (Schulyer) Lininger became a member of the Rotary Club of Tucson on May 1, 1947. **He was our club President in 1975-76 and has served as a mentor to many of us since then. Schuy is well known in the hotel business and was the owner of the Lodge On The Desert on Alvernon for fifty years from 1947 to 1997. The Lodge was a Lininger family business.** The Lodge on the Desert's original building was designed and built as a personal residence for Mr. and Mrs. Quinsler from Massachusetts in 1931. Schuy's parents, Homer and Cornelia Lininger, were winter residents of Tucson and spent their summers in the more temperate climate of Evanston, Illinois. In 1936 they purchased the private adobe brick home on two acres at 306 N. Alvernon Way from the Quinslers and opened the Lodge for the winters only with just seven guest rooms. The next year, the Lininger's added another guest room, the original pool, and the pool changing rooms.

**During World War II, the Liningers temporarily converted the Lodge to housing for B-24 squadron officers who were training at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.** At that time, the Lodge had no dining room and very little refrigeration or air conditioning because water cooling had not yet been perfected. The streets directly around the Lodge were not paved and the paving was no further east than Country Club. The Lodge originally was heated by a coal furnace but was later converted to oil. When gas lines were extended from Broadway to the Lodge property, the hotel was able to be heated by natural gas. Along the way, the myth began that Room #16, and occasionally the dining room, is inhabited by the ghost of Jack Frye, a six month resident in 1959. Fortunately, the story has only added to the charm and mystic of the place.

**Schuy eventually took over the operations of the Lodge from his parents. He continuously developed the property enlarging the number of guest rooms to 35 and adding kitchen and dining facilities.** The property was expanded to five acres and In 1997 Schuy sold the Lodge to Lodge Partners, LLC who then remodeled it in 2009.

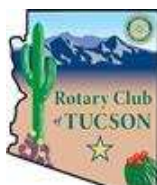


Executive Director  
Mary Laughbaum

## Our Sponsors



The Lodge on the Desert is one of those rare gems of Tucson that, like the Arizona Inn, reflects its southwest heritage. The Lodge is charming, authentic, and thanks to Schuy, is important to Tucson's history. Schuy is Lifetime Director on the Board of Directors of SALARA (Southern Arizona Lodging & Resort Association). Since 2010, he has served as the principal and Patron Grande of Raven Management Group Inc., a private company that consults and provides a wide range of management services.



### RCoT Committees Are Busy!

Posted by Joni Condit on Mar 12, 2012

As Spring approaches, our club members are gearing up for lots of Rotarian activities. So if you have time, consider getting involved in one or more of them. Hopefully, you were able to attend one of the many Home Hospitality events at a member's home or restaurant this past month. Our RCoT committees are busy. Some highlights of these committees include the following:

- The Community Charity Grants Committee has been meeting to recommend the area(s) to solicit grants for the 2011 Car Show proceeds. Their recommendations were reviewed and voted on by the Board of Directors.
- Contract Committee is reviewing our DoubleTree contract options, planning menu reviews and quarterly tasting with the new chef.
- The Senior Leadership Team for the 2012 Car Show is already busy meeting and making plans.
- Our Program Committee has been meeting regularly to propose interesting and provocative speakers for upcoming meetings.
- Your Wine Fellowship Committee is busy planning an upcoming wine event.
- The Works Projects Committee has a painting project scheduled for March 31 (see details in this Tucotarian).
- A Spring Norma Peale Library Book Drive and Goodwill Clothes Closet Cleaning is being planned by Anne Segal and Joe Nevin.
- RCoT will have one or more teams for the 2012 Race for the Cure on Sunday March 25, organized by Sid Hirsch.
- Our Hiking group is busy planning a Grand Canyon hike for March 2013 so be sure to sign up with Tom Andrews (and join the preparatory hikes!)

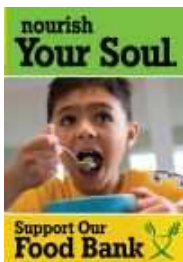


### The President's Corner

Posted by Joni Condit on Mar 12, 2012

**While many of our club members are disappointed that our Wildcats didn't make it into the NCAA tournament this year, we do have some good news to share.** Our extended efforts to bring the Nogales wheelchair project to fruition has finally been realized! The Nogales Sur club has identified a long list of 80 some possible recipients who very much need a durable wheelchair. **We've transferred 50% of the remaining funds to our Nogales Wells Fargo account so that the Nogales Sur Club can place the order for the wheelchairs.**

**While we've had some challenges in reaching this point, we've learned some things about doing international projects along the way.** As President-Elect, Jim Lubinski, has stated, **international projects seem to work best when the partner approaches us for help.** A great example of this is with the recent Amman-Petra water project. We have a well-established partnership with the Jordan club who reached out to us for help in creating rain catchment systems. **It is important to have champions on both sides of a project.** With the Nogales Wheelchair project, we have been fortunate to have members from both our club and the Nogales Sur club who were determined to see the project through. Included in those leaders are Bob Logan, Club Director of International, Jim Lubinski, President-Elect, former member and Red Rose recipient Jeffrey Abbott. Omar Montiel, President of the Nogales Sur Club, has been instrumental in helping us to identify the ultimate manufacturer and the recipients.



*The wheelchair components are being ordered through the Fundacion Bertha O. De Osete. The company will manufacture the components and will assemble the chairs. We hope to participate in the distribution of the finished wheelchairs along with the members of the Nogales Sur Club. Bob and Jim are both very happy that the wheelchairs in their garage and office can be donated soon to deserving individuals!*



#### March 14 Menu

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Mar 12, 2012

**Salisbury Steak** ~ Ground Beef Steak with Onions and Spices, served with Mushroom Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls and Butter, Doubletree Chocolate Chip Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

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

#### Membership and Attendance - March 14, 2012

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Mar 12, 2012

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	179	Cash Contributions	\$ 73.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	49	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 230.00
<b>Total Active Members</b>	<b>228</b>	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 313.00
Honorary Members	18		
<b>Meeting Attendance March 7, 2012</b>		<b>Raffle</b>	\$ None
Active Members	119	<b>Auction</b>	\$ None
Active Members AE	16		
Honorary Members	1		
<b>Total Members Present</b>	<b>136</b>		
Guests	9		
Guests of the Club	2		
Visiting Rotarians	7		
<b>Total Meeting Attendance</b>	<b>154</b>		