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## Weekly Program

Jul 25, 2012 Bryan Martyn, Executive Director AZ State Parks Kartchner Caverns

Aug 01, 2012 Dave Gallaher Rotary Youth Exchange

Aug 08, 2012 Scott Baxter 100 Years 100 Ranchers

Aug 15, 2012 RCoT Membership Club Assembly

Aug 22, 2012 District Governor Randy Brooks District 5500 Governor's Address

Aug 29, 2012 RCOT Meeting

Sep 05, 2012 Tom Warne Marshall Foundation

Sep 12, 2012 Home Hospitality Week! No Wednesday meeting make-up or attend Home Hospitality events

Sep 19, 2012 Jill Madden Social Media

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## **Upcoming Events**

Contract Committee Tasting Lunch Sep 12, 2012 - 01:30 PM



Arizona State Parks
Posted by James Ronstadt on Jul 23, 2012

Arizona has a vast storehouse of natural resources and the perfect climate to attract visitors to Arizona. The Arizona State Legislature recognized this opportunity in 1957 and they created this impressive State Parks system to attract visitors from around the world. State Parks now host more than 2.2 million visitors annually who spend \$266 million in Arizona. Visitors need restaurants,

hotels and gift stores and these businesses then employ more than 3,000 people according to a study by NAU. Millions of dollars in retail taxes support all levels of government. Bryan Martyn, Executive Director of Arizona State Parks since May 2012, will discuss the human, political, and financial capital necessary to utilize these natural resources to maintain the vibrant State Parks system today and explain how it could be an even more successful economic engine for Arizona.



SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT
Posted by Phillip G.(Jerry) Harris on Jul 23, 2012

It should come as no surprise to know that when I visited DK Advocates, 1502 E. Broadway, the mood in the workplace was upbeat, the pace intense, and the style up close and personal.

The aim of DKA is to train Armed Forces Veterans and people with disabilities for the workplace. Attention is given to application preparation, basic computer

skills, workplace rules for interpersonal interaction, interview skills, teamwork skills, and personal grooming. Qualified counselors work in small and relaxed classes to encourage and teach. When clients of DKA are placed in the workplace, they are not left adrift. There are follow-up interviews and counseling sessions to be sure the clients are acclimating to the work place. Once placed in a work environment, additional retraining is given on an as-needed basis.

Dot Kret, the founder and owner of DKA, is constantly seeking the help of the leaders in the Tucson and Pima County business community in placing her clients in jobs that fit their skills. Some employers have reservations about hiring Veterans or people with disabilities. Dot enthusiastically tries to dispel all negative preconceptions and the reception within the community has been positive.

An example of employer cooperation is David Lovett, who has hired DKA trained workers for document imaging and data entry. And Arnie Jacobsen, who has given access to DKA staff and clients to tour Sunland Foods to see up close the food preparation process.

Some workers are able to work from Dot's office doing data transformation services, converting paper files to digital images, archiving and data entry work. They scan photos, slides and negatives and will soon be able to convert VCR and Beta film to digital as well as old 45s, 33s and 78rpm recordings, too.

Dot is called upon on a regular basis by defense lawyers and plaintiff attorneys to testify as an expert witness in State and Federal Court in the field of employee rehabilitation, wage loss and disability issues.

She graduated from the University of Arizona in 1981and earned her Master's Degree from the

# **Tucson Classics Car Show** 2012

Oct 13, 2012

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University of San Francisco. Dot was the Tucson Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 2004 and has been a member of the Rotary Club of Tucson since 2003. She is married to Michael Lex, City Court Magistrate, and they have two children.

Dot is an excellent photographer. Her photos in her office depict Southern Arizona plants and buildings. Her photos show a unique ability to capture beauty in unexpected places. Her oldest son, David, won the 2009 national Photography Championship while a Senior at Tucson High School. He is currently a student at the University of Arizona. Her youngest son, Nathan, is a senior at Tucson High and plans to attend college and study Mathematics.

Dot Kret is an active Rotarian, a highly successful business person, and best of all, perhaps, fun to be around. Want to brighten up your day? Sit by Dot at Rotary. Her enthusiasm for life, Rotary, and people is infectious.



#### Pledge & Song Committee Wants You!

Posted by Sanders Solot on Jul 23, 2012

Committee Chair Sonny Solot is looking for a few good Rotarians to join the Pledge and Song Committee. Five minutes of your time every few weeks ... what other committee can offer such a finite volunteer timeline? Don't miss this rewarding opportunity to lead your fellow Rotarians in a patriotic moment

of unity! Email Sonny to sign up today or call him at 520.322.7710.

#### **Proposed New Member**

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Jun 25, 2012

The following application has been submitted for membership in Rotary Club of

**Proposed Member:** Rick Welch **Classification:** Retail: Printing

Company: Sir Speedy Sponsor: Mike Orcutt

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



#### **Rotary Leadership Institute**

Posted on Jul 23, 2012

Fellow Rotary Leaders,

July 2012, the first month of our new "Rotary Year" is now over half gone and our first Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Training of the new Rotary year is really drawing close.

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a training program established to improve the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of the future leaders of Rotary Clubs. RLI is a great place to start for a new Rotarian looking to find their niche in the world of Rotary. The exchange of ideas with other experienced Rotarians alone makes the courses worthwhile.

The Rotary Leadership Institute training program consists of three full-day sessions, followed by graduate seminars. Our next District 5500 program will be Saturday August 25, 2012 at the Viscount Suite Hotel, 4855 East Broadway Boulevard, Tucson, AZ 85711. Future sessions will be offered in Casa Grande on January 26, 2013 and back at the Viscount next April 27th. Mark your calendar now!

Because Rotary Club leadership changes on a yearly basis there is a constant need for new leaders who are knowledgeable about the world of Rotary International. It is difficult at the Club level to learn enough about the exciting world of Rotary. Furthermore, leadership skills in a voluntary organization are quite different from business or military leadership skills.

Cost is \$60.00 and includes breakfast and lunch. The District offers one RLI Scholarship per club per year. Many clubs also budget RLI costs to cover members attending. Full



















registration information is available on the District 5500 website at: http://www.rotaryd5500.org

We are also offering a Graduate Level Course from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the new Ignite Membership Program and it's Premier Club Designation for Clubs in the District. We are offering this course to all Rotarians, not just RLI Graduates, because we are sure that some of you may not be able to attend the District Membership Assembly on August 11. Information on this course will also be on the District Website.

Thanks for your time and consideration of this worthwhile Rotary activity. Please help us fill the classes this year.

Yours In Rotary.

Blaine E. Moyer - John E. Gruenemeier



Rotary Fellowships
Posted by Drew Vactor on Jul 23, 2012

This is the second of 4 parts of an article, written by Drew Vactor for eClub One in 2004, about Rotary Fellowships. This installment is about how Rotary Fellowships began.

Paul Harris said, "Fellowship is wonderful; it illuminates life's pathways, spreads good cheer, and is worth high price." Once members began to realize the benefits that membership in Rotary provided, they also realized that they had more in common than they thought. They enjoyed learning, socializing and having fun together but they also began looking for ways to share common interests to strengthen the bonds of fellowship that Rotary creates. As a result, various Fellowships began, starting with Esperanto in 1928, each with a special theme to bring members together. For instance, there are fellowships for computer enthusiasts, "Ham" Radio operators, Travel Agents, Accountants, Music lovers, SCUBA divers and Skiers among others.

Most Rotarians are aware of and are in fact members of, the Paul Harris Fellowship by nature of their financial contributions to the Rotary Foundation and other approved activities such as Polio Plus. There are more than 80 (nearly 100 in 2012) additional Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowships today, aka RRVF. Active groups frequently come together from around the world for wonderful fellowship and camaraderie. They share a common theme and strive to make something positive happen in the local community where they meet. You can join a fellowship to deactivate land mines, and help educate about their danger, fight Aids, or join others and their families who have suffered from polio. There are fellowships for quilters, antique and classic car owners, pilots, historians and many more.

The oldest continuous fellowship was formed in 1947 for Yachting enthusiasts and they are still sailing, today. Although fellowships are of all sizes, the largest is prophetically involved in Population Development and has over 4,500 members.

To learn about these fellowships, go to Rotary International's web site at this location: www.rotary.org/programs/fellowships and click on the link for "All Fellowships". Each fellowship has a link with more information about what they do and how you can join.

The next installment will be about how Rotary Fellowships are formed.

President's Letter
Posted by Jim Lubinski on Jul 23, 2012



As I write this I am listening to the sad details of the shootings in Aurora, Colorado. Another instance of senseless violence from a very disturbed individual. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the families and friends of the victims. With stories like these it is easy to get jaded and think of what a mess our world is in and throw our hands up and say, what can we do about this? Well, as Rotarians, improving and changing the world is part of our mission. Last week we heard how FC Tucson is attempting to bring soccer to the forefront of our community and generate much needed tourism dollars. At our meeting we kicked off the car show ticket sales which will ultimately benefit three magnificent charities in our community. What a great presentation by Bob Shaff and the entire car









show ticket sales team! I think it is important that we do not lose focus on all of the good being done by our club, Rotary clubs around the world and many others in our community, country and world. Remember this year's motto, "Peace Through Service".

I hope you like the two video screens and will make good use of them in the coming year to promote your committees' work and all of the special events and projects we will be taking part in. We had a few technical glitches but, we are working with the DoubleTree to improve this service. As the year progresses, we will have more new and exciting things to add to our meetings.

This week we will hear about truly remarkable land marks in Arizona from State Parks executive director Bryan Martyn. I am sure you will enjoy hearing about the natural wonders right in our back yard.



#### July 25 Menu

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Jul 16, 2012

Plated Salad ~ Baby Spinach Salad with Red Onions, Spiced Pecans, Mandarin Orange Segments and Bleu Cheese Crumbles with Orange

Poppyseed and Ranch Dressings preset

**Braised Boneless Ribs** ~ Slow Cooked and Braised with House Made Spice Rub and Sauce, Smoked Gouda Mashed Potatoes, Cinnamon and Honey Glazed Carrots, Rolls and Butter, Doubletree Chocolate Chip Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

#### Vegetarian if reserved in Advance:

**Vegetarian, if Reserved in Advance: Portabella Mushroom Napoleon** ~ with Layers of Grilled and Roasted Corn, Salsa and finished with Fresh Herbs ~ **OR** ~ **Fresh Fruit Plate** ~ Fresh Fruit with Yogurt and Low Fat Cottage Cheese

Gluten Free meals also available by advance reservation.

#### **Membership and Attendance**

Posted by Mary Laughbaum on Jul 23, 2012

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	176	Cash Contributions	\$ 67.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	49	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 240.00
<b>Total Active Members</b>	225	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 307.00
Honorary Members	17		
Meeting Attendance July 18, 2012		Raffle	\$ None
Active Members	108	Auction	\$ None
Active Members AE	10		
Honorary Members	1		
Total Members Present	119		
Guests	6		
Guests of the Club	3		
Visiting Rotarians	0		
Total Meeting Attendance	128		