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We meet WEDNESDAYS, 12:00 NOON - 1:20 PM
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The Loft at 40 - Looking Ahead

Posted by Pauline Hechler on Nov 19, 2012

This is a big month for the nonprofit Loft Cinema. We are celebrating 40 years of providing Southern Arizona with great film. We opened a new third screen in a repurposed auto repair shop next door. We reached \$1 million in our capital campaign, with almost 500 donors making 900 gifts. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of purchasing The Loft and transitioning it to a nonprofit on November 15, a decade during which a million people came through the doors.

In the big picture, The Loft is at the vanguard of art cinemas in the US. We are one of 9 independent cinemas invited to take part in Sundance USA. The Sundance Film Festival expands to audiences across the country for one special night of film and dialogue, dispatching nine filmmakers from Park City to nine cities across the country to screen and discuss their direct-from-Festival films with audiences.

The Loft has operated in the black since 2006, and has seen audiences and revenue grow every year. We are proud of what we have accomplished and excited about the future - including the completion of our capital campaign and the construction and renovation needed to make The Loft sustainable for the next 40 years!

Peggy Johnson, Executive Director

Peggy Johnson is a founder and executive director of the nonprofit Loft Cinema. As Executive Director, Peggy has been the driving force behind the successful effort to save The Loft, Tucson's 40-year-old art cinema, and to transition The Loft from a privately owned theatre to a nonprofit cultural center that features foreign, independent and documentary films and community and educational events with film industry professionals and scholars.

Weekly Program

Nov 28, 2012
[Shawn Batsch, IRS Criminal Investigation](#)
Fraud & Embezzlement

Dec 05, 2012
[Joaquin Ruiz](#)
Science in the West

Dec 12, 2012
[Myles Stone & Mike Mallozzi](#)
The Science and Business of Brewing Downtown

Dec 19, 2012
[Holiday Mixer-5:30-8:00PM - Javelina Cantina](#)
@ DoubleTree Reid Park

Dec 26, 2012
[DARK - No Wednesday Meeting, No Make-up Required](#)

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Upcoming Events

[2012 San Carlos Project](#)
San Carlos, Mexico
Dec 07, 2012 07:00 AM - Dec 10, 2012 06:00 PM

[Salvation Army Bell Ringing](#)
Dec 15, 2012

[Salvation Army Bellringing-Saturday, December 15th](#)
Dec 15, 2012 09:00 AM

[Contract Committee Tasting Lunch](#)
Dec 19, 2012 01:30 PM - 03:00 PM

Peggy worked as a broadcast journalist, first in radio, then on Public Television, where she worked for 24 years. Peggy was a film critic on NPR 89.1 for 2 years before assuming her position at The Loft.

She holds a Master's Degree from the UA Department of Media Arts.

Mystery Editor November 14

Posted by Ed Mystery on Nov 19, 2012

As the lost tribes found their way to the east side of town and the wandering soles slowly emerged, **PRESIDENT JIM LUBINSKI** called the meeting to order to a rather quiet and limited audience.

To inspire us with words of inspiration was **PAULINE HECHLER** and the pledge was led by **JAN GREEN** and the song was introduced by **LESLIE GALLOWAY**.

The introduction of our guests and visitors was handled magnificently by **DARRELL STEWART**.

The Birthday Gang of **MARIANNE FREITAS** and a better late than never, **DICK GUTHRIE** was assembled. **MARIANNE** gave us an update that the final Car Show tally would be forthcoming and **DICK** gave us a Birthday Salute.

Next up on the agenda was the tag team partners of **CHARLOTTE HARRIS** and **BOB LOGAN** to introduce our ever growing list of Paul Harris Fellows. With a list of 8 names in his hand, **BOB** began his usual roast of our recipients and presented his most generous gifts to the deserving folks. **CHARLOTTE** in her most gracious manner presented each of the 8 with their Paul Harris Pins and Certificates to wear and display proudly. Today's recipients were **VICKI JACOBS, TED FOSBERG, JERRY HARRIS, MARGIE & SCOTT VAUGHN, JIM MURPHY, MARIANNE FREITAS** and **VIRGINIA LEAVITT**. **PRESIDENT JIM** followed up that there would be plenty more to come as the club had a list of about 100 more to go.

As our Sergeant at Arms, **KEVIN WONG** rounded up **MATT BLAIR**, to help auction off 2 pairs of U of A Basketball tickets, I guess **KEVIN** hasn't perfected the auctioneer routine just yet. With a long list of upcoming events our Sergeant at Arms ran through the list and their presenters in a timely fashion to keep our meeting on track. First up was **JOE NEVIN** and another Goodwill/Rotary Closet Cleaning Day on the 21st, followed by **ALAN SCHROPE** and the San Carlos Trip, December 7-10th and a call out for more Rotarians as we have adopted a new school. **VIRGINIA LEAVITT** announced the Holiday Mixer at the Javalina Cantina on the 19th of December and **PRESIDENT JIM** finished with our annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing on the 15th.

Taking back control **PRESIDENT JIM** proceeded to recognize one of our own **ELLIE PATTERSON** and presented her with a "Peace Through Service Coin" for her hard work in helping find our new Executive Director, **DORINNA YORK**.

Getting our program under way, **PRESIDENT JIM** introduced our introducer **KEN GOODMAN** who presented our speaker, our own **DR. WAYNE PEATE**. As a founding member of JTED, **WAYNE** extolled us with the benefits of JTED and the thoughts that not all students are destined for college but for others it is a stepping stone to college.

PRESIDENT JIM closed the meeting with a quote from John Churton Collins and reminded us back at the DoubleTree next week and not to forget Closet Cleaning Day, before ending the meeting with the ceremonial toast.



RI General Secretary Rides the Tour November 17

Posted by David Gallaher on Nov 19, 2012

The day before the El Tour de Tucson race, we had the opportunity to attend the Friday meeting of the Catalina Rotary Club to meet Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko and his wife, Margarita. John came to Tucson to ride the El Tour in support of Rotary's International campaign to eradicate polio. John's efforts in fund raising support from around the world may well raise over \$300,000 and as a whole effort, we might surpass \$350,000 in support of Polio Plus. District Governor Randy Brooks and many past District Governors and Assistant Governors were in attendance and some are riding the Tour. Our own Gary Hirsch has done a remarkable job and effort in raising

Holiday Mixer- Javelina Cantina @ DoubleTree
Dec 19, 2012 05:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Change of Leadership Party
Jun 29, 2013 05:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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funds and support as well as registering many local riders who will be raising money for the Polio Plus Campaign. Remarkable people do remarkable things. We won't know the final tally until after the race but it will be nothing short of fantastic. We will hear next week about our Club's riders and their respective times.

John gave a presentation that included the latest tally on the three remaining places where active cases of polio still exist. Those include Northern Nigeria, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. As of last January, India has had no reported cases of polio for two years. That is remarkable! According to John, we are still financially short about \$350 million dollars from completing the mission. Since 1985, over \$1.2 billion dollars has been raised and spent towards this effort to wipe out this disease.

One thing we see over and over is the tremendous leadership that heads up Rotary International, (google this guy!). John has been General Secretary for 16 months and has an incredible resume that includes speaking 6 languages and includes representing the US Government in negotiating foreign aid to over 36 countries. John opened up a Moscow office of his law firm prior to joining the Rotary International staff and is a charter member of the club in Kyiv, Russia (Moscow). His presentation also focused on his five priorities for Rotary: 1) Polio eradication; 2) continuing work on the Future Vision plan for Rotary; 3) membership (if we don't stem the tide of declining membership in US Rotarians, we will drop from 30% of membership to 15% of membership worldwide in 20 short years); 4) develop new efforts to solve new humanitarian challenges; 5) develop a tool or tools to quantify the value of all we do and to get all clubs to think strategically. We are grateful for his leadership and his visit to Tucson and also grateful for the organizing efforts of Gary Hirsch and the team Tucson Rotary Club riders who raised funds which also included our "professional" rider, President Jim Lubinski. Jim did the 60 mile course and "smoked" their estimated time! Great job Prez and Rotarians. The hospitality booth was a blast to volunteer.



President's Letter

Posted by Jim Lubinski on Nov 19, 2012

Congratulations and thank you to all of the Rotary Polio Plus riders and donors in last Saturday's el Tour de Tucson. 89 Riders from around the country and the world will end up raising in the neighborhood of \$400,000 in the effort to eradicate Polio. It was an idea day for the ride (except for Matt Blair, sorry Matt) and the Rotary booth at the end of the ride provided nourishment and much needed massages for the riders. Gary Hirsch and his committee did an outstanding job. John Hewko, RI CEO, has already said he will be back to ride again next year.

Wednesday we will be electing three new club board members for Rotary years 2013-2015. It is very important that you cast your ballot. If you cannot be there in person on Wednesday, you can submit your votes via e-mail to Charlotte Harris no later than 5PM Tuesday. Thank you to the six members who have agreed to stand for election.

This week we will hear from Peggy Johnson regarding the Loft Theater. Peggy will be bringing us up to date on what is happening at the Loft and some of the future plans for expansion of the unique offerings brought to Tucson via this great organization.

If you are traveling or if I miss you Wednesday, have a great Thanksgiving!



Menu for November 21

Posted by Dorinna York on Nov 19, 2012

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

Stuffed Turkey Breast ~~ Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Traditional Cranberry Sauce, Doubletree Chocolate Chip Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced tea

Vegetarian option if reserved in advance: Polenta Cakes with Baby Spinach with Red Onion, Spiced Pecans, Mandarin Orange Segments & Bleu Cheese Crumbles, Ranch and Italian on the side. Grilled Polenta Cakes Finished with Olive Oil & Tyme.



Fresh Fruit Plate and Gluten Free meals are also available by advance reservation.

Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on Nov 19, 2012

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	177	Cash Contributions	\$ 75.11
Active Members Attendance Exempt	49	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 240.00
Total Active Members	226	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 315.11
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Meeting Attendance November 14, 2012		Raffle	\$ None
Active Members	96	Auction	\$ 135.00
Active Members AE	12		
Honorary Members	0		
Total Members Present	108		
Guests	4		
Guests of the Club	0		
Visiting Rotarians	1		
Total Meeting Attendance	113		