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"Status of Arizona Athletics"

Posted by Robert Logan on May 24, 2013



Greg Byrne, Vice President for Athletics at the University of Arizona, will give the status of Arizona Athletics. Greg Byrne was named Arizona's 11th Director of Athletics in March 2010. Prior to coming to Arizona, Byrne was Mississippi State University's Director of Athletics, where he was the youngest top current athletic administrator in the Southeastern Conference and the youngest to lead an athletic program at the NCAA Division I-A level. He started out his career at MSU in June 2006 as Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs.

He has been around successful athletic programs, and the director's chair, literally all his life. He is the son of long-time athletic administrator Bill Byrne, the recently retired Director of Athletics at Texas A&M University.

Byrne, however, has made a name for himself in intercollegiate athletics. He had 15 years of professional experience prior to assuming the AD's position, a resume that shows progressive growth in both responsibility and achievement. He has been directly involved in raising over \$160 million in gifts during his career in athletics.

Byrne was named by the Sports Business Journal to its 2011 class of "Forty Under 40" top sports management leaders in March 2011.

A native of Pocatello, Idaho, Byrne earned his bachelor's degree in 1994 and his master's degree from Mississippi State in 2009. Byrne is married to the former Regina Misa of Junction City, Ore., and the couple has two teenage sons: Nick and Davis.

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Posted by Ed Mystery on May 24, 2013

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Jul 06, 2013 05:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Board of Directors

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The meeting was called to order by President JIM LUBINSKI. SUZANNE LAWDER delivered the invocation and in particular drew our attention to the people of Oklahoma following the terrible storm earlier this week. FRANK ZUNNO led us in the pledge and was accompanied on the piano by GARY GETHMANN in leading us in singing "America The Beautiful." He once again filled in for LESLIE GALLOWAY who unfortunately is still home recovering from pneumonia. We're all wishing her well.

KEN LIGHT introduced our visiting Rotarians, and numerous guests were acknowledged as a group. Birthday wishes were extended to IRENE DECKER and BILL MOORE.

Sergeant KEVIN WONG first conducted the raffle with a number of gifts. But moreover, President JIM announced the club is receiving a Presidential Citation for Club Achievement. An exceptional award that recognizes the club's achievements in a broad array of accomplishments. A great group effort. Congratulations to everyone.

JIM RONSTADT reminded us that the nominees for the 4 Way Test and Orville McPherson are due in a few weeks. BOB ERNSTEIN introduced Rotary International Scholarship recipient Nobuko Ichikawa who told us a little about her two years studying Native American cultures here in Tucson. PAULINE HECHLER informed us that KEN TUCKER'S daughter, Megan is to undergo a kidney transplant in a few weeks. We all wish her the best for a speedy and healthy recovery.



Tamara McKinney gave us the latest report from the Reading Seed program. The book distribution program has grown tremendously over the past year. The latest data analysis provided some sobering news and indicates that 42% of our young readers are below a basic level, putting Arizona at one of the lowest levels in the nation. The good news is that the data supports the Reading Seed program as very effective in helping our children get up to speed on reading. Hopefully more good things to come from the Reading Seed.

MARIANNE FREITAS introduced our own MIKE ANDERSON, winner of the 1983 Great American Race. MIKE told us a great story of the race, in which he and his team won the 2800 mile race from Los Angeles to Indianapolis in his 1941 Cadillac. Since it was a rally, not a speed race, precision in calculating the many variables along the way and navigation skills were the ultimate key to victory. With the help of a great team, including two rallyists, Mike's team was able to accumulate a score of 1.47 (zero was perfect), to win by a nose. Besides the grand prize check, Mike was able to do a victory lap just before the Indianapolis 500 that year. The film he showed was a great look at a small part of the race. Mike's message of being positive, expecting the best, and being prepared not only helped win the race, but can certainly be carried into other areas of life. President JIM closed the meeting with a toast.



Don Rollings - Past President, 1987-88

Posted by Jerry Harris on May 24, 2013



The dapper Don Rollings is a native Tucsonian. After completing junior high, his parents, Kelly and Susan, enrolled him at Andover. After graduation from Andover, Don went to Princeton and graduated with a degree in Romance Languages. He met his wife Nan there and after graduation, they returned to Tucson. Kelly told Don he could have one day off and then she expected him to begin work in the newest family business. The year was 1975.

The newest family venture was Barrio Viejo. Located just south of the newly built Tucson Convention Center, Barrio Viejo is a collection of adobe homes and businesses built in the 18th and 19th centuries. Kelly and Susan Rollings were one of the first in the country to draw an important philosophical distinction in the development of our cities. Urban Renewal, both a welcomed and feared concept, had succeeded in revitalizing areas in many American cities. However,

the bulldozer had not only cleared away blighted areas, it had also destroyed many structures which were architectural gems and historical and cultural landmarks.

The Rollings concept was that the bulldozer and new building syndrome was not the only avenue

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of revitalization of downtown areas. They chose preservation through restoration of older homes in the Barrio Viejo as their contribution to the Downtown Tucson dilemma. To achieve that end, Kelly and Susan Rollings bought twenty adobe homes in the Barrio Viejo area in 1971 and began restoring them and converting them to small commercial properties. These properties were leased to local businesses. Inherent in the restoration project was the preservation of the original character of each building.

Today, Don has assumed most of the duties of the family business. He is especially proud of the Cushing Street Bar and Restaurant. Don's family opened this newly restored adobe as a restaurant and bar in 1972. Located just south of the Tucson Convention Center, The Cushing Street Bar and Restaurant is known for its patio dining, the brass rail at the bar, the imposing statue of Cleopatra that greets visitors, its eclectic menu, award winning margaritas, an outstanding mojito, and its weekly Jazz series.

By coupling preservation and restoration, the Rollings family has kept a residential area intact that has been in Tucson since the 1800's. Don is still excited about the area and its potential in the community. From the initial purchase of 20 homes, the preservation effort has grown to over 30 structures. All adobes with thick walls, most with patios, and all with charm, these structures and the efforts of the Rollings family have received national recognition and awards. Perhaps the award closest to Don's heart was given by the City of Tucson and then Mayor Bob Walkup a few years ago. The award, Heart of Downtown Award, was given to the Rollings family in recognition of their vision and hard work in achieving revitalization through preservation and restoration efforts in the Barrio Viejo.

Don and Nan have two grown children. Elizabeth, age 29, is an attorney specializing in Elder Law. Jim, age 25, is a financial analyst who lives and works in Los Angeles, California. Don joined the Rotary Club of Tucson in 1979. He was 27 years old.

NEXT WEEK- Leadership during a Crisis Year- Don Rollings' 1987-88 term as President of the Rotary Club of Tucson



Proposed New Member

Posted by Dorinna York on May 24, 2013

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

Proposed Member: Christy Vertuca

Classification: Consultant: Energy Studies

Company/Organization: EnComm Consultants

Sponsor: Jack Marek

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



President's Letter

Posted by Jim Lubinski on May 24, 2013

It will be U of A athletics day Wednesday when athletic director Greg Byrne joins us for his annual update. Greg and his team have been busy with renovations to the football stadium and other major projects I am sure he will tell us about. Let's show Greg we support his efforts by wearing your U of A colors. This will be a great program to bring a guest to so please remember to register them in

advance by contacting the Rotary office. We expect a large turnout and we want to be fully prepared.

Equally exciting (well maybe not quite as exciting...), I will be briefing the club on the results of our club assembly held in April. Your board has been hard at work studying the responses and developing an action plan which I will tell you about Wednesday. A lot of good information was obtained and we are working to move forward with a number of initiatives. Thank you for the production conversations held at the assembly.

Margaret Higgins is collecting nominations for the Four Way Test and Orville McPherson awards. All nominations must be received by June 5th so don't delay getting these turned into Margaret.

Thanks for your support on the scholarship cups the last two weeks. We have collected over \$500, a significant improvement. These funds are critical to support the scholarships we award each year. Please continue to support these efforts through our weekly cup collections and quarterly scholarship donations.

Have a great week and see you Wednesday!





Menu for May 29th at the DoubleTree

Posted by Dorinna York on May 24, 2013

Plated Salad ~ Spring Mix Salad with Ranch & Italian Dressings

Top Sirloin ~ Top Sirloin with a Mushroom & Chipotle (Moderately Spicy Sauce) served with Parsley Buttered Potatoes, Sauteed Green Beans, Assorted Rolls & Butter, Assorted Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:

Roasted Vegetable Strudel ~ Layers of Ricotta Cheese, Roasted Tomatoes, Grilled Vegetables and Fresh Basil Wrapped in Layers of Filo Dough and Served with Tarragon Beurre Blanc

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



Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on May 24, 2013

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	170	Cash Contributions	\$ 152.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	52	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 240.00
Total Active Members	222	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 392.00
Honorary Members	17		
Meeting Attendance May 22, 2013		Raffle	\$ 285.00
Active Members	104	Auction	\$ 0.00
Active Members AE	23		
Honorary Members	2		
Total Members Present	129		
Guests	23		
Guests of the Club	5		
Visiting Rotarians	2		
Total Meeting Attendance	159		