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Award Nomination Forms due June 5th

Posted by Dorinna York on May 30, 2013

Nomination Forms for the "4 Way Test" and the "Orville McPherson" Awards are located on "My Clubrunner" under "View Club Documents". Click on the "Award Nomination & Recipients" folder. 2013 forms are available to download in PDF format.

"How Much Is Enough? The AZ Self-Sufficiency Standard"

Posted by Dorothy Kret on May 30, 2013



Last spring, the Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona published the *Self-Sufficiency Standard for Arizona 2012*, which describes how much income families of various sizes and compositions need to make ends meet without public or private assistance in each county of Arizona. The Self-Sufficiency Standard is a measure of income adequacy that is based on the costs of the basic needs for working families: housing, child care, food, health care, transportation, and miscellaneous items as well as the cost of taxes and the impact of tax credits. For most workers throughout Arizona, the Self-Sufficiency Standard shows that earnings well above the official Federal Poverty Level are nevertheless far below what is needed to meet families' basic needs.

Since its publication, the Standard has been used by non-profit organizations to help clients achieve economic self-sufficiency; business groups to better understand the challenges some of their employees face; and government entities to inform their

thinking about low-income working families as they develop public policy to address this population.

Biography - Laura Penny

Laura is a 34-year resident of Tucson, and has spent many of those years advocating on behalf of women as a volunteer for a variety of Tucson organizations. Professionally, she has worked in the criminal justice, behavioral health and education arenas, all of which have given her insights into the challenges women and girls face in overcoming economic, social, gender and political barriers.

Weekly Program

Jun 05, 2013

[Laura Penny](#)

How Much is Enough? The AZ Self-Sufficiency Standard

Jun 12, 2013

[Joe Prewitt](#)

The 100th Year of Rotary in Arizona

Jun 19, 2013

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TPD and Crime Picture in Tucson

Jun 26, 2013

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Jul 03, 2013

DARK - NO LUNCH MEETING

Jul 06, 2013

COA PARTY

Jul 17, 2013

[Yale S. Wishnick, Ed.D.](#)

Comparing & Contrasting the IRS, the Flat Income Tax and the Fair Tax

Jul 24, 2013

[Melinda Burke](#)

The Wildcat Planet - Connecting, Engaging and Nurturing Wildcats for Life

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Upcoming Events

Work Project @ Ben's Bells

Ben's Bells

Jun 22, 2013 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Change of Administration Party (COA) at Skyline Country Club

Jul 06, 2013 05:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Board of Directors

She joined the Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona in July 2004. During her tenure, the Foundation has granted more than \$1 million to Southern Arizona non-profits serving thousands of women and girls.

Laura is the recipient of the Inside Tucson Business Women of Influence award, and the YWCA's Women on the Move award.

She earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Florida, and an M.Ed. from the University of Missouri.

Mystery Editor May 29

Posted by Ed Mystery on May 30, 2013

BREVITY IS NOT RECOGNIZED AS A VIRTUE AT RCOT MEETING!

The trend was one of verbosity (verboseness?) at the May 29 Rotary Club of Tucson meeting. Something in the air, or perhaps the meal, encouraged those at the microphone to wax eloquent, or at least to wax a lot.

TED KIRACOFE, graduate of a large Tempe-based school, gave a none-too-brief invocation to get things started. Pledge and song leader ERNIE MINCHELLA followed Ted's lead with a grainy and hard-to-hear video of the National Anthem as presented at the 1991 NHL All-Star Game (no kidding). It was as moving as it was lengthy.

JEFF RONSTADT defied the let's-see-how-much-time-we-can-take trend by introducing all visitors and guests en masse. President JIM LUBINSKI was relieved to catch up a bit when JEFF didn't name names. But, not so fast! The stride slowed to turtle-pace with the birthday Rotarians - JAN GREEN, PAT LENNAN, JOE NEVIN and SCOTT VAUGHAN. Only JOE was inclined to be brief and be seated. JAN spoke longer than your usual birthday celebrant; PAT topped his time; and SCOTT took the word-count prize (which President JIM blamed on Past President's syndrome, which he swore he will not succumb to come June).

Perhaps due to the length of the meeting so far, Sergeant-At-Arms KEVIN WONG carried out an abbreviated raffle – **one** prize – and levied zero fines.

CINDY GODWIN did her best to leave time for our speaker as she reminded all in relatively quick fashion of the open nomination period for the Orville McPherson and 4-Way Test awards.



President JIM resumed the microphone admiration fest by giving a detailed summary of our recent club assembly. Of particular note is the reduction in RCOT committees from 53 to less than three dozen, via consolidation and utilization of ad-hoc task forces.

Not to be outdone in thoroughness, speaker-introducer BOB LOGAN told us plenty about our featured guest, University of Arizona Vice President for Athletics (aka Athletic Director) Greg Byrne. Since our AV performed as

it always used to, Greg (former classmate of TED KIRACOFE) lead us in a rendition of "Bear Down." He then covered many facets of his 2+ years at U of A, overseeing 450 student-athletes on 19 or 20 teams. For three out of three years, Arizona has taken the Territorial Cup, awarded to the annual overall victor in the UA vs ASU sports competitions. McKale Center is in for a \$100,000,000 redo, to start fairly soon, and beer/wine will be available at the new north end football stadium improvement (according to the glossy brochure). Greg even bought a few car show tickets after seeing the Corvette parked out front.

Despite all the speeches, we adjourned pretty much on time! So, no worries!

Don Rollings - Past President, 1987-88 - A Year of Transition

Posted by Jerry Harris on May 30, 2013



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Don Rollings succeeded Ace Bushnell as President of the Rotary Club of Tucson. Membership was at 300. Ace Bushnell had done a great job in Don's eyes and Don thought he would have a smooth year. He was excited by the past year's Rotary events. Polio Plus had been introduced the year before and Don thought this was to be his biggest emphasis during his year of office. Don took office in July of 1987. On May 4, 1987, the Duarte, California Rotary Club prevailed in a lawsuit that struck down the all-male membership policy. However, the Rotary International policy of all male membership still stood.

When Don attended the Rotary International Convention in Munich shortly after taking office, he was astounded at the hard-line resistance of some countries to changing the rules of Rotary International to allow women. Deeply troubled and puzzled by this attitude, Don returned to Tucson and consulted with the national organization and his board. He was told by Rotary International that the rules could not be changed as to the exclusion of women until the Legislative Council of Rotary International met. This was to occur in 1989.

Refusing to be stymied by this turn of events, Don met with his board and it was decided to amend the application process to conform with the Supreme Court ruling. The application process was amended to accept applications of qualified people without regard to sex, race, or ethnicity. Don did not want this issue brought out to public debate at the regular meeting venue. He feared that dissension and hard feelings could result from such a debate. After the application clause was amended, Don and the Board conducted an informal survey as to the membership's feelings. Postcards were sent out and asked to be returned with the opinion of the member to be recorded. Don and the Board were elated to find that the response was overwhelmingly in favor of the change in the application process.

The next step taken was to take in two women as Honorary Rotarians. Helen Middleton was the first honorary female member. She had been the Executive Secretary for our club for many years, and was a loyal and respected employee. Next was Rose Mofford. She was the Governor of the State of Arizona. She took office when Evan Meacham was impeached.

Don's goal was to clear the way for female membership when the Legislative Council of Rotary International met in 1989. The first female members were admitted into Rotary on a full scale basis in 1989 after the Legislative Council amended the Bylaws. By the end of 1990, there were over 20,000 women admitted into Rotary. Don does not remember who the first woman to be admitted into the Rotary Club of Tucson was, but he does remember there being a dispute among several of the men as to who sponsored the first woman.

Don credits Billy Joe Varney for aggressively recruiting and sponsoring many of the first women to join our club. Varney was a large, gregarious, Past District Governor who was a native Oklahoman. He was a top administrator at the University of Arizona.

After serving as President, Don has stayed active in Rotary. One of his fondest memories is heading up a Rotary sponsored Group Study Exchange that went to Argentina. Upon arriving in Buenos Aires, he found that Argentinians eat late and take their time about doing it. He remembers going to dinner with his Argentine fellow Rotarians and never getting back to the room before 1:30 am and having to be at meetings by 7 am. He did find time to learn the tango.

Reflecting back on his term as President, Don said the club was gradually changing from a social orientation to a fundraising and community service organization. He credits the Polio Plus initiative for a healthy shift in the Club's attitude toward fundraising. During his tenure, there was no club fundraiser as such. Most of the money raised by the club came from fines and Scholarship Cups. During his term of office, over \$20,000 was raised for the Scholarship Fund.

Don's best memory of his year in office was the cooperation and foresight of his Board. Because of their vision and foresight, the path was cleared for the admission of women into our club after the Legislative Council amended the By-Laws in 1989.



President's Letter

Posted by Jim Lubinski on May 31, 2013

Are you confused as to what the Rotary Foundation is about? Do you know the difference between the Rotary Club of Tucson Foundation and the Rotary International Foundation? If you are like most members, you are probably a bit unclear on both of these topics. So, make sure you attend Wednesday as our foundation chair, Charlotte Harris gives a crash course in both. Charlotte will also let us know where we stand as a club in our year to date giving vs. the objectives set by the club and our district.

We will also be getting a debriefing from Tom Andrews on how our members survived the Grand Canyon hike earlier this spring. I understand there were a few challenges so Tom will be taking us through a pictorial view of their adventure. And, if this is not enough



entertainment, Matt Blair will be presenting the first steps in our branding strategy.

As you can tell, even though we are nearing the end of our Rotary year, we have a lot going on. Our club is active 365 days a year including public works projects (did I forget to mention that Marcia Krumwiede will be talking about our upcoming project with Ben's Bells?), social events and the ever present car show preparations. Many opportunities to get involved and a little something for everyone.

And to finish our meeting, Laura Penny, Executive Director of the Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona will be presenting a program entitled, "How Much is Enough? The AZ Self-Sufficiency Standard". You will need to be there to find out how much is enough?

See you Wednesday and have a great week!



Resignation

Posted by Dorinna York on May 30, 2013

The following Rotary Club of Tucson member has resigned:

Tom Ellinwood



Menu for June 5th at the DoubleTree

Posted by Dorinna York on May 30, 2013

Plated Salad ~ Spring Mix Salad with Ranch & Herb Dressings

Grilled Chicken Salad Sandwich ~ Chicken Salad Sandwich on Croissant

Roll with Bacon & Garlic Baconaise, Fruit and Chips, Assorted Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:

Vegetarian Wrap ~ Vegetarian Wrap with Avocado Ranch, Fresh Vegetables, Jack and Cheddar Cheeses in a Whole Wheat Flour Totilla, served with Potato Chips

Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on May 30, 2013

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	170	Cash Contributions	\$ 67.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	52	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 240.00
Total Active Members	222	Total Scholarship Cups	\$ 307.00
Honorary Members	17		
Meeting Attendance May 29, 2013		Raffle	\$ 276.00
Active Members	115	Auction	\$ 0.00
Active Members AE	17		
Honorary Members	0		
Total Members Present	132		
Guests	25		
Guests of the Club	6		
Visiting Rotarians	0		
Total Meeting Attendance	163		

