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President's Letter - First Meeting Posted by David Gallaher on Jul 03, 2013



I am writing this in advance of the meeting as Susan and I will be in Portugal at our first Rotary International Convention. We are looking forward to meeting other Rotarians from around the world, and know that it will be a life changing experience. The past year as President Elect has flown by and the excitement of being President of this tremendous group is overwhelming. Two years of President Elect Training (PETS), and other special classes have helped prepare me for the job of President; however, there is nothing like the real thing. We have such a great system of succession in place in our Club. Thank you to all former Presidents for their advice and counsel the past few months, especially to outgoing President Jim

and Past President, Scott Vaughn and my mentor, Past President Joni. Jim has had a great year and has accomplished many things. All of our Presidents are tough acts to follow, and Jim has set yet another bar. Our Club is a successful work in progress with lots of tremendous activities that we can be very proud of; particularly, this past year's Tucson Classics Car Show. We are fortunate, also, as we have a terrific Board this year. Both Phil Gutt and Ellie Patterson return as Treasurer and Secretary, and Jennifer Hoffman will be our Sergeant of Arms.

This year's theme in Rotary is "Engage Rotary---Change Lives". While it might sound simple, just being a member of Rotary is a life changing activity. When I think about all the service projects and community charities we have helped, we have truly "changed lives" both locally and internationally. By Engaging Rotary this year, we will change even more.

Many people have approached me and asked the proverbial question, "Why did you say yes?" to being Club President. My response is that besides my family, Rotary is truly one of my most cherished activities that I have participated in for the past 22 years. I have made many lifetime friendships, both here and internationally. Most of you know that we have hosted Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) students, and how these students have changed our lives. We know we made an impact on their lives, as well, as we continue to

Weekly Program

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

No Upcoming Events

Board of Directors

President David Gallaher

President Elect Mary Martin

Past President Jim Lubinski

Treasurer Phil Gutt

Secretary Ellie Patterson

Sargeant-At-Arms Jennifer Hoffman

Director Clifford Bowman

Director Kevin Wong

Director Thomas Andrews

Director Matt Blair

Director Gary Hirsch

Director Darrell Stewart keep in touch with them. My children have grown up in Rotary and, hopefully, have captured some of the spirit of "service above self". Every time I have said "yes" in Rotary, that decision has made a positive difference in my life and the lives of others. We all want to contribute at some level. We contribute a lot when you think about it, just by being Rotarians. Rotary provides unlimited opportunities to help others and to build good friendships in our local communities and around the world.

I related all so well to the article in the Rotarian magazine in March about our new President, Ron Burton. That is, "I am just an average guy, a Rotarian". That's me. I am an average guy who lives and loves Rotary.

Saying yes to this job was accepting a lifetime opportunity to make a bigger difference. I ask for your help in this endeavor and look forward to working with everyone in this "Most Remarkable Rotary Club", the Rotary Club of Tucson. Just continue to "say yes" and it will change your life too. I hope to see you at the Change of Administration party Saturday, July 6th at Skyline Country Club where we salute Jim, and welcome our new board. I am looking forward to lots of fun and accomplishment this year as we "Engage Rotary and Change Lives" together!

Mystery Editor June 26 Posted by Ed Mystery on Jul 05, 2013

"Short Timer" **PRESIDENT JIM LUBINSKI** called the meeting to order. The club took a moment of silence in honor of the passing of **TRISHA RAYMOND**, wife of **GIB RAYMOND**, who passed on June 21, 2013, and for **DORINNA'S** mother who passed on June 23, 2013.



The invocation was done by **PAULINE HECHLER** who led us in our prayer, followed by **LESLIE GALLOWAY** leading us in the pledge and song (great vocals as usual) accompanied on the piano by **ELLEN, I HIT EVERY NOTE, WHEELER.** The introduction of our guests was choreographed by **ALLYN BULZOMI**, the HR Director at Pima County.

Happy Birthdays were celebrated this week for GARY HIRSCH (June 6), LONNIE LISTER (June 24), MONTE CLAUSEN (June 29), and ERNIE (Bon Journo) MINCHELLA (June 29).

Outgoing Sergeant of Arms, **KEVIN WONG**, handled this week's raffles, fines and announcements.

Our program this week was the introduction of the "FINAL FOUR" Applicant Presentations for the 2013 Community Grants:

Casa De Los Ninos

St. Joseph's Hospital Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit

Youth On Their Own

YWCA

The presentations were awesome, and we wish they all could receive the top grant of \$25,000.00. Fortunately, all applicants will receive at least \$1,000.00.

Immediately following, the club voted on the winners, which will be notified by email later this week.

PRESIDENT JIM gave us a wrap up of the local and international contributions that our club was part of for the past year. **\$200,000.00** was contributed along with many thousand hours of volunteer work. **Kudos Rotary Club of Tucson! PRESIDENT JIM** closed the meeting with a quote from Michael Jordan and our ceremonial toast.

Executive Director Dorinna York





Rotary's Skiing Fellowship Posted by Drew Vactor on Jul 05, 2013



Rotary has almost 100 Fellowships for just about every interest, including one dedicated to Rotarians who like to snow ski. It is called the International Skiing Fellowship of Rotarians and meets at a different North American ski resort

each year. There is also a chapter that meets in Europe each year. Both venues are open to any interested Rotarian.

Rotarians from around the world attend these gatherings each year and help raise funds for wounded warriors and other disabled athletes who want to ski. In addition to Americans, Members come from Canada, Russia, Japan, Great Britain, Suriname and other countries. The contingent from the **Rotary Club of Tucson**, along with their significant others, usually makes up the largest group from any Club, although the Coronado (San Diego) Rotary Club often makes an impressive appearance as well.

We usually have hotel choices in at least two price ranges and get excellent rates on multi-day lift tickets. In addition to skiing each day, we also join one or more local Rotary Clubs for their weekly meeting, attend Home Hospitality in a local member's home, have our own General Membership meeting and have additional activities each evening from sleigh rides to hockey games. There are also exciting daily activities each day for non-skiers. Some attendees make it a family outing.

The annual ski week is normally the first week in February. This year's event starts on Saturday, February 1, 2014, in Winter Park, Colorado. To learn more about the Fellowship and our yearly gatherings, go to this website: http://www.isfrski.org/

Active skiers in our Club are invited to join us in Winter Park this year. The signup period will open soon and can be done online. If you have questions, please let me know.

June and July in Tucson is a great time to think cooling thoughts of snow. See you on the slopes.

Drew Vactor

Director - Rotary Club of Tucson

Director - ISFR

Welcome Returning Member Posted by Dorinna York on Jul 05, 2013

As of July 1, 2013, Bob Webb has returned as a member of the Club. His classification is Real Estate: Business Brokerage.

Welcome back, Bob!

Rotary Club of Tucson RYE Student Eric Peng is leaving for Home Posted by David Gallaher on Jul 05, 2013



At the July 10th RCOT meeting, Eric Peng will say goodbye to the Club as he leaves for home. Eric arrived last September from Taipei, Taiwan a young 15 year old looking for adventure through Rotary Youth Exchange. Eric was hosted by Dave and Susan Gallaher, Sally and Ernie Montagne and Casas Adobes Rotary family of Julie Brinks. Eric recently returned from his east coast Rotary tour and a visit to Michigan with his

current host family. Eric returns to Taiwan to attend middle school and college and he looks forward to a visit back to Tucson in the future once he completes his college studies. Eric, you will always have a home with the Tucson Rotary Club. Safe travels.



Blanton Belk, Dick Dobrin, Tom Ellinwood, Maggie Kosinski, Ray Weick



Menu for July 10th at The DoubleTree Posted by Dorinna York on Jul 05, 2013

Asian Chicken Salad ~ Diced Teriyaki Seasoned Chicken, Water Chestunuts, Bamboo Shoots, Baby Corn , Chopped Lettuce topped w/Crispy Noodles, Honey Mustard & Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressings, Assorted Rolls w/Butter, Assorted Cookies, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon: Vegetarian Salads ~ Water Chestnuts, Bamboo Shoots, Baby Corn, Chopped Lettuce topped with Crispy Noodles, Honey Mustard and Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressings.

Fresh Fruit Plate and Gluten Free meals available by <u>advance</u> reservation only.

Membership and Attendance Posted by Dorinna York on Jul 05, 2013					
	Membership Active Members Active Members Attendance Exempt	170 53	Scholarship Cups Cash Contributions Quarterly with Dues	\$ \$	65.00 240.00
	Total Active Members	223	Total Scholarship Cups	\$	305.00
	Honorary Members	16			
	Meeting Attendance June 26, 2013		Raffle	\$	0.00
	Active Members	113	Auction	\$	0.00
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	Honorary Members	0			
	Total Members Present	126			
	Guests	5			
	Guests of the Club	11			
	Visiting Rotarians	0			
	Total Meeting Attendance	142			