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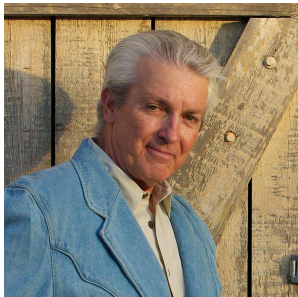
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#### Guy Atchley's Arizona

Posted by Bob Shaff on Aug 29, 2013



Guy Atchley is approaching three decades as anchor of KGUN 9 News in Tucson. As you may know, Guy enjoys photography, and he is going to share pictures and stories from his series: "Guy Atchley's Arizona". All Arizonans, both old and new, will relish Guy's ability to see things in a different light.

#### Biography

Guy Atchley is celebrating 26 years in Tucson at KGUN 9 On Your Side. Since he graduated from the University of Tulsa in 1972 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in

Radio/Television Speech, Guy has received more than 20 first-place awards for excellence in reporting.

During Guy's tenure, the Associated Press has honored KGUN 9 News with the award for Best Newscast in Southern Arizona seven times. In 1992, Guy swept the Arizona AP awards by winning three first-place honors including: Best Serious Feature, Best Light Feature, and Best General Reporting in the State. Guy also was honored for his reports on living conditions in China in the documentary "China: 1987". And in October of 1993, Guy traveled to the Middle East for a documentary on Israel's quest for peace. That documentary, plus Guy's news reports and speeches to expose intolerance and bigotry, earned him the 1994 Human Relations Award presented by the Jewish Community Relations Council.

#### Did you know?

To keep his life in balance, Guy is a certified yoga instructor. He teaches classes and workshops at such beautiful locations as Holy Trinity Monastery in St. David, Arizona.

Besides reporting from several foreign countries, Guy also has traveled the United States. He has covered space shuttle launches in Florida, racial tension in the South, and immigration policies at the U.S./Mexico border. On Veterans Day in 1994, Guy reported from the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. He later returned to Washington to cover the Monica Lewinsky scandal. For more than two decades, Guy has spent each Labor Day as Tucson host for the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. Guy counts the comedian as a good friend and mentor. Lewis writes, "Guy Atchley's 'good news' stories reflect the devotion to his community and to the human community. That makes him a great newsman and a close ally of mine."

Guy has interviewed many famous people, but it's the not-so-famous, the unsung heroes

#### Weekly Program

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[Guy Atchley](#)

"Guy Atchley's Arizona"

Sep 11, 2013

[Barbara Eisworth, Ph.D](#)

"Heart of the Harvest"

Sep 18, 2013

[Marc Hammond](#)

Part 2 - Critters in our Environment

Sep 25, 2013

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Oct 02, 2013

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Sonoran Glass School - Blowing Glass

Oct 09, 2013

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[Dodge - Director](#)

Music Program - Tucson High Steel Drum Band

Oct 16, 2013

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Car Show Meeting

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#### Upcoming Events

**Social Mixer (RCOT MEMBERS ONLY)**

Sep 25, 2013 05:30 PM - 08:30 PM

**Social Mixer (GUESTS ONLY)**

Sep 25, 2013 05:30 PM - 08:30 PM

**2013 Havasupai Annual Hike**

Oct 10, 2013 - Oct 13, 2013

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of America, that Guy loves to focus on. Comedian Dean Steeves says, "In a culture where 15 minutes of fame has become just that, Guy Atchley seeks out and retells the small, quiet stories behind the lives of real and honorable people." University of Arizona Basketball Coach, Lute Olson says, "I applaud Guy Atchley for focusing on what is good in our world." And author Amy Weintraub says of Guy, "Journalistic integrity, insight and compassion underlie the heartwarming journey of his life."

You may have seen Guy's cameos in several movies, "Jericho Fever," which was produced for the USA Cable Network, the remake of "Vanishing Point" for Fox TV, and the independent film "Runnin at Midnite." And in case you're wondering, Guy played the role of a reporter in each film.

If you ask Guy, you'll find out that he's thankful to be a real-life reporter who seeks out stories of inspiration and humor. In the end, Guy says, that's the good news -- the innate ability to be greater than anything that can happen to you.

#### Mystery Editor August 28

Posted by Ed Mystery on Aug 30, 2013

President-elect MARY MARTIN filled in for President DAVE, who was gone fishing.

SUZANNE LAWDER gave the invocation, using fitting inspirational words from legendary coach John Wooden. STU GOLDMAN led the pledge, and YVONNE ERVIN led the singing of the National Anthem, with ELLIE PATTERSON on the piano.

DENNIS DRISCOLL introduced a horde of visiting Rotarians and guests, all of whom were there to hear UA basketball coach Sean Miller.

Birthday greetings were given to incoming District Governor SALLY MONTAGNE and to PHIL GUTT.



HARLOW, PAT ZUMBUSCH and TED KIRACOFE.

BOB LOGAN introduced Sean Miller, providing a great collage of photos of an animated Coach Miller on the sidelines. Coach talked about some of his guiding principles for the team, such as telling them to "honor the process" and "grow out of yourself and into the team." He said the first principle means to focus on the part of the process the team is currently in, such as the pre-season, because you can only control the current moment. And he said the success of the team as a whole, rather than the individual, is what really matters. In most cases, it's team success that makes the top players attractive to the NBA.

JENNIFER HOFFMAN and BILL ANASTOPOULOS ably handled the auction of several items. BILL MOORE reported our RCOT Facebook page has 500 "likes," and BOB SHAFF promoted the car show with a video featuring (past? Future?) pro basketball prospects JOHN



#### President's Letter

Posted by David Gallaher on Sep 03, 2013

Your President just returned from a week-long fishing trip in the middle of Colorado at 10000'. I have already heard what a great meeting it was this past week and what a superb job our future President performed in my absence. In fact, several people commented that Mary should assume her Presidential duties a little early! I think I got the message and of course, the joke. Thanks Mary. I owe you huge!

Sean Miller was a huge success. Many members have no idea how difficult it is to get our basketball coach or football coach to come speak at our meetings. For many years, it was a normal expectation and a treat, to have the coaches of football and basketball speak to us. This is true no more. Thanks go out to Bob Logan, Jim Ronstadt and Jeff Ronstadt for their efforts in getting Sean to visit us. A special RCOT thanks goes out to Coach Miller for spending some time with the largest Rotary Club in Tucson.

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As an aside, people ask me "what does Rotary mean to me" and "why should I participate"? This past week's fishing trip hits on several answers. I enjoy the fellowship opportunities and just spent the week with two of my closest pals who I have been able to get to know much better through Rotary. These two guys, Mark Irvin and Marshall Dennington are great friends. Another part of Rotary is looking at world issues that involve diseases and how do we help our neighbors and friends? Another person on the trip was Mark's friend John Carlin. These fishing trips have been going on for about 15 years and I look forward every year to spending some quality time with John. John, 55 years old, was diagnosed with early stage Parkinson's at 38. John is upfront about the issues he faces with the disease and has resolved to not let it get in the way of his life. While he shows up each year slightly "different", he is a very motivational fellow to be around and puts any issues I have in my life in perspective very quickly. John spends a lot of time in creating awareness of the disease and promoting the need for research into a cure. Two years ago, John hiked Kilimanjaro with his wife and 9 other climbers who suffered from either Parkinson's or MS. He made the summit with his wife by his side which was an incredible accomplishment and an emotional one. I hope we can convince him to come speak to us next Spring as he makes many presentations about Parkinson's. It was a great week to sit around and talk about ways that Rotary may be able to help.

Last but not least, we will have a great program this week with Guy Atchley. I feel Fall is in the air!! The football season has begun and basketball is only 7 weeks away from starting. Yes, there are only 10 months to go until President Mary takes over!! Have a great weekend everyone.

#### Contributions to Val Scanlan

Posted by David Gallaher on Sep 03, 2013

If anyone is interested in donating to help Rotarian, Val Scanlan with her illness, please send to:

Valerie Scanlan, P.O. 12813, Tucson, AZ 85732

or

Visit <http://www.valscanlan.com>

Thank you!

#### The Orville McPherson Story - Part 1

Posted by Drew Vactor on Aug 29, 2013

Each year, we select one very deserving member of our Club for our highest award, the **Orville McPherson Award**, for all the special things they have done for our Club, our community, Rotary International and our world. Congratulations to Marianne Freitas, our most deserving 2013 recipient.

Did you ever stop to think about the name of this award? Who exactly was Orville McPherson and what bar did he have to clear to be memorialized in this way? In fact, he was a most amazing person and a leader in Tucson for many years. I am sure some of our Senior Actives (an old term for a Rotarian with more than 15 years of service) remember Orville who died while living near his daughter in Los Angeles on August 31, 1982 at age 89. Here is his story.

Orville Scharff (Speedy) McPherson was born in Pittsburgh in 1893. His family moved to Yuma in 1911, where he went to high school in the old Territorial Prison building. He was in the second high school class to graduate in Yuma County in 1913 and had 5 classmates. The new state of Arizona gave one scholarship to college in each county and Orville received it. He earned money working as a timekeeper and concession operator on the Yuma canal project to cover his portion of his University of Arizona education.

Speedy was well known in University of Arizona Athletics. He was the first 4 year letterman in football. He became President of the A Club (Letterman's Club). His coach was Pop McKale (for whom McKale Center is named) - he played on Pop's first football team. Pop was also a member of the Rotary Club of Tucson for many years. Speedy's team was the one that lost to Occidental 0-14 but newspaper reporter Bill Henry said, "they fought like Fighting Wildcats", and the U of A's Wildcat team name was born. In 1981, shortly before he died, he was named to the University of Arizona Sports Hall of Fame. Speedy was one of two players to make a presentation to the U of A President, suggesting that football should have a stadium. The result a few years later was Arizona Stadium. He was also one of the student leaders responsible for the big white-washed "A" on A Mountain (Sentinel Peak) which was constructed by popular demand of the students at a cost \$397.00 in 1915 after beating coast champion Pamona. He was also





one of the founders of the U of A Senior Honorary, "Bobcats". McPherson was also the Director of the Memorial Fund Campaign that eventually resulted in the big fountain west of Old Main.

Mack, as he was known then, was in the Arizona Class of 1917. He was so fast on the football field that he forever became known by his nickname, Speedy. Mack was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (ΣAE), the largest Greek Letter social college fraternity in North America today. He was active in campus politics and served as Class Secretary in 1915-1916 and Acting Class President in 1916-1917. In his "spare" time, he was the business manager of the *Arizona Wildcat Weekly* which he helped start.

Next week, we will review how Speedy continued his lifelong passion for journalism and how he was instrumental in starting up **The Rotary Club of Tucson**.



#### 2013 Havasupai Trip Sponsored by Chuck Flint/Rotary Club of Mesa West

Posted by David Gallaher on Aug 29, 2013

Hikers of RCOT, the annual trip to Havasupai Canyon (part of the Grand Canyon) is back for this Fall. The dates for this hike are October 10-13, 2013. Chuck Flint, Mesa West Rotary Club, has been the leader of this hike and taken groups of Rotary Youth Exchange students to Havasupai for the past 17 years. Susan and I have done this trip with our RYE students over the past 7 years and it is a great experience at one of Arizona's most treasured places. Chuck is the consummate planner and all fees and all meals (except for breakfast in Seligman) are included. The group meets in Prescott on Thursday for early dinner and continues on to historic Seligman, Arizona where we spend the night. Friday morning after a very early breakfast we make way to the trail head which is about a two hour drive. We hike (eleven miles) to the Havasu Falls campground where we have an area reserved for our group. Chuck is also the chef and our meals have been prepared and shipped down by helicopter. The food is simple but excellent. We spend two nights at the campground and hike out early Sunday morning. The trip down takes about four hours and the trip out takes about five hours. The trip cost is \$290.00 and transportation from Mesa is available for \$80. There are options available for horse in and out at the cost of \$85 each way. Your fee of \$290 provides for your bag to be carried down and out by horseback. You simply carry your water and snacks and personal items for the hike.

If you have ever given thought to visiting the great waterfalls of Havasu and Mooney, this is a great opportunity. You do not have to be a Rotarian to make this trip. Any non RYE student under 18 needs to be accompanied by an adult. Any child over the age of 7 is allowed to go.

Marshall Dennington and our RYE student Domenik will be making the trip with the Gallahers. For more information, please contact Dave Gallaher, 907-4983. Rich Flynn has also made this trip and can provide his feedback as to the experience of this trip.



#### Menu for September 4th at The DoubleTree

Posted by Dorinna York on Aug 29, 2013

**Plated Salad** ~ Fresh Green Salad with Balsamic Vinaigrette and Ranch Dressings

**Lime & Cilantro Chicken** ~ served with Rice Pilaf and Brown Sugar Glazed Carrots, Assorted Rolls and Butter, Assorted Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

**Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:**

**Vegetarian Strudel** ~ Rolled and Baked Layer of Filo Dough with Grilled Vegetables and Ricotta Cheese, Served with Rice Pilaf

**Fresh Fruit Plate if reserved by Monday noon.**

**Gluten Free meals available by advance reservation only.**

#### Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on Aug 29, 2013

##### Membership

Active Members  
Active Members Attendance Exempt

166  
55

##### Scholarship Cups

Cash Contributions  
Quarterly with Dues

\$ 155.00  
\$  
240.00

<b>Total Active Members</b>	<b>221</b>	Total Scholarship Cups	<b>\$</b>	395.00
<b>Honorary Members</b>	<b>16</b>			
<b>Meeting Attendance August 28, 2013</b>		<b>Raffle</b>	<b>\$</b>	0.00
Active Members	121	<b>Auction</b>	<b>\$</b>	445.00
Active Members AE	26			
LOA/Honorary Members	5			
<b>Total Members Present</b>	<b>152</b>			
Guests	126			
Guests of the Club	1			
Visiting Rotarians	4			
<b>Total Meeting Attendance</b>	<b>283</b>			