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We meet WEDNESDAYS, 12:00 NOON - 1:20 PM
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Heart of the Harvest with Iskashitaa Refugee Network
Posted by Jeff Ronstadt on Sep 05, 2013

Dr. Barbara Eiswerth

The stage was set for a life in community service working and thinking globally way back in 1980 as Barbara ventured to La Paz, Bolivia as a Rotary Exchange Student. Dr. Barbara Eiswerth moved to Tucson in 1992 working as a research geologist specializing in GeoSpatial Information Technologies with the US Geological Survey. After ten years working extensively doing technology transfer in Latin America, she pursued a career as an environmental scientist working at the Office of Arid Lands, Arizona Remote Sensing Center with projects in East and West Africa.

After receiving her Ph.D. from the University of Arizona, Eiswerth founded a community based organization that empowers United Nations refugees from Africa, Asia, and the Middle East **by creating opportunities to use their knowledge and skills from their countries of origin.** The network, made up of refugees and volunteers, is called Iskashitaa Refugee Network, which means "working cooperatively together".

A sampling of the recognitions Eiswerth has received include being a National Finalist in Community for Sustainable Food, the Baha'i "*Vision in Action Award*", National Garden Crusader Award for Feeding the Hungry, and the recipient of the Church Women United Nations Human Rights Award. Iskashitaa's work was recognized by the White House through the Community Based Initiative for one of the winning videos in "Portraits of Compassion". In 2011 Eiswerth was awarded the distinguished Hon Kachina Volunteer Award in the State of Arizona, one of six recognized each year whose community volunteer efforts are making a difference and encouraging others to volunteer.

The program has evolved into an annual harvest of ~75,000 pounds of fruit and vegetables from backyards and local farms and orchards. In addition, they have integrated projects including producing and marketing refugee culinary goods and sustainable crafts. During Iskashitaa project activities Tucson is educating about the

Weekly Program

Sep 11, 2013
Barbara Eiswerth, Ph.D
"Heart of the Harvest"

Sep 18, 2013
Marc Hammond
Part 2 - Critters in our Environment

Sep 25, 2013
Club Mixer
Location: The Stillwell House

Oct 02, 2013
John Peter Wilhite
Sonoran Glass School - Blowing Glass

Oct 09, 2013
Jovert Steel Drum Bands/Khris Dodge - Director
Music Program - Tucson High Steel Drum Band

Oct 16, 2013
Chuck Sawyer/Bob Shaff
Car Show Meeting

Oct 19, 2013
Tucson Classics Car Show

Oct 23, 2013
DARK - NO LUNCH MEETING

Oct 30, 2013
Fonda Insley
All Souls Procession

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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

refugee community as well as the local food system and food waste.

Mystery Editor September 4
Posted by Ed Mystery on Sep 09, 2013

JIM RONSTADT gave the invocation remembering his great grandfather's words to his grandfather about gratitude to America and freedoms enjoyed. STU GOLDMAN led us in the pledge and YVONNE ERVIN then led the song "This Land is Your Land" with the help of ELLIE PATTERSON on the piano. BOBBY LARSON introduced our guests and we celebrated ART ALLIS' birthday.

CHARLOTTE HARRIS presented Paul Harris awards to SUSAN MOORE VAULT, ELLIE PATTERSON and Maggie-Rose Condit. BRUCE TUNZE introduced our newest member, RICHARD MUNDINGER to the Club. Welcome RICHARD!

Our speaker Guy Atchley celebrating 26 years in Tucson at KGUN 9, gave us a storied photo show entertaining us with his photos, after announcing Jennifer's departure to Tennessee (for better hours for caring for her children). He shared photos and stories about calamity prone dog Stanley the Chihuahua, his bad breaks and near death experiences. The Story of Stanley the Chihuahua can be found at:

http://www.kgun9.com/templates/Lib.Desk.Page.MultimediaGallery?id=175258761&item=

Guy held us spellbound with photos and stories from his series: "Guy Atchley's Arizona". We saw his photos of Canyon de Chelly National Monument & Spider Rock, Antelope Canyon, Monument Valley, Horseshoe Bend in Page AZ, and El Grande Garage in Winslow AZ, the glass house inside El Grande of John Gross, and many, many more.

Guy's glorious photo finale was his Grandson: Run Payton run. Guy keeps his life in balance as a certified yoga instructor, teaching classes and workshops. 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 Rotary. More photos can be found at: **http://www.jrn.com/kgun9/galleries/Arizonas-Copper-Corridor-219327151.html**

President's Letter
Posted by David Gallaher on Sep 05, 2013

It is great to be back and we had a very nice program from Guy Atchley discussing his passion for photography. He is such a pleasure to talk with and our community is very lucky to have him the past 29 years. Our meeting included some fun stuff with our past President Arnie Jacobsen and the celebrating of 60 years of Lucky Wishbone history in Tucson. Thanks again to Arnie for his sponsorship and leadership in the development of our car show. As current President, I don't know how he tackled President and Car Show Chair at the same time.

Congratulations to our newest Paul Harris Fellows as we continue to honor future generations of Rotarians. We are on a roll to hopefully win the contest with the Phoenix 100 Club for highest percentage of PHF memberships in the Club. This $1,000 bet also includes the largest annual giving to the Foundation, along with a contest that includes the growth/decline of membership during the current year. The winner gets to apply the $1000 to a community charity of their choice.

Finally, please begin registering for the Club Meeting/Mixer on September 25 to be held at the Stillwell House during the evening. The Stillwell House is a wonderful historical location downtown and the dinner will be catered by El Charro. There is no charge for

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members as the Mixer is our club meeting. A cost of $22 per guest is required. Registration is following the same concept on Clubrunner as used recently for the Sean Miller luncheon. Both Member and your guests must be registered. If you have difficulties, please contact the office.

Next week we will hear a fascinating story from a woman who is actively engaged in harvesting the many sources of locally grown but unused foods in our City to feed those in need. Barbara Eiswerth began her involvement in giving back to the community through her participation as a Rotary Youth Exchange student. Also, don't forget to mark your calendar on September 18th as we will have another entertaining presentation from the animal expert.

Finally, to all of our club members of the Jewish faith, L'Shana Tova Tikatevu. May you be blessed with happiness this season and have a good year.

Have a great weekend and we will see you next week.

The Orville McPherson Story - Part 2

Posted by Drew Vactor on Sep 05, 2013

Last week, we talked about Orville Speedy McPherson's humble beginnings, high school in Yuma and illustrious University of Arizona career. This week we shall see what he did for the rest of his life.

Speedy graduated from Arizona with a B.S. in Commerce in 1917. His life's work became journalism. He worked at the Tucson Daily *Citizen* (our former afternoon daily) his senior year in college, then served in the Army in the first World War, fighting as an officer on three fronts in Europe. Resuming his journalism career in 1921, he worked first as an executive for Hearst Newspapers then worked as a consultant for failing papers. During his journalism days, he worked on the *Los Angeles Examiner, Milwaukee Sentinel, Chicago Herald Examiner* (as assistant publisher), and *Detroit Times* (Business Manager). From 1938-1943 he was Editor and Publisher of the *Kansas City Journal*. He then worked on papers in Southern California for five years before returning to Tucson in 1948. He also worked on Harry Truman's campaign for the Presidency. During all his moves, Orville remained an active Rotarian for almost 60 years.

In 1921, while Orville was Secretary of the Tucson Chamber of Commerce, he invited the heads of Kiwanis and Rotary to Tucson to discuss a charter. Strangely, they both arrived the same day and Orville had to run between two dining rooms to discuss the options available. Both offered charters to members of the old Tucson Luncheon Club. Fifty older members went to Kiwanis and fifty younger members showed interest in Rotary, which started with 25 members and 25 prospects. Rotary received its charter first and Orville became the Club Secretary (local architect Jack Lyman, president of the Lunch Club, became the first President of Rotary). The charter date was February 14, 1921, Valentine's Day and Arizona's ninth birthday.

Orville stayed busy during his years in Tucson. He had a permanent and long lasting impact on our community. In addition to those activities mentioned above, he was also part of the teams that created the Tucson Municipal Airport and the Veteran's Hospital. In 1976, the Tucson Chamber of Commerce named him Man of the Year.

The Rotary Club of Tucson's Orville McPherson Award is given yearly with member input, normally in late spring. Please pay attention to the hard working Rotarians who make our Club a most Remarkable Rotary Club and nominate one next spring for this prestigious award. Someone will win it. Will it be you?

Proposed New Member

Posted by Dorinna York on Sep 05, 2013

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

Proposed Member: Amanda Wood

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

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!

Menu for September 11th at The DoubleTree

Posted by Dorinna York on Sep 06, 2013

Plated Salad ~ Caesar Salad with Caesar and Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressings

Salisbury Steak ~ *Ground Beef Steak with Onion and Mild Spices, topped with Mushroom Gravy, served with Butter Whipped Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Rolls and Butter, Assorted Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea*

Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:

Portobello Mushroom Napoleon ~ *Layers Grilled Portobello, Grilled Vegetables, Roasted Corn, Spicy Salsa and finished with Fresh Herbs*

Fresh Fruit Plate if reserved by Monday noon.

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

Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on Sep 05, 2013

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	166	Cash Contributions	$ 63.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	55	Quarterly with Dues	$ 240.00

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Total Active Members	**221**	Total Scholarship Cups	**$** 303.00
Honorary Members	**16**		

Meeting Attendance September 4, 2013		**Raffle**	$ 146.00
Active Members	118	**Auction**	**$** 0.00
Active Members AE	14		
LOA/Honorary Members	1		
Total Members Present	**133**		
Guests	14		
Guests of the Club	4		
Visiting Rotarians	0		
Total Meeting Attendance	**151**		

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