

OUR MEMBERS

Al Ruiz § Automotive Paint
 Allen Bunker § Retired Funeral Director
 Benjamin Yanofsky Optometry
 Bill Petrie Planning Consultant
 Brad Tennison § Financial Consultant
 Bradley Clark Construction
 Bruce Reeser § Prosthetics & Orthotics
 Bryan Vivian ‡ § Auto Repair
 Carol McCormack Eeemosinary
 Charles Brown ‡ § Property Management
 Charles Wirken ‡ # § Law, Civil Trial
 Craig Henry § Staffing
 Crisanna Tutera § Real Estate Residential
 Dan Taylor § Senior Services Director
 David Kitts Helicopter Services
 David Stafford Insurance Management
 David Tininenko ‡ § Banking
 David Wier § Banking
 Debra Duvall ‡ § School Superintendent
 Dennis Kavanaugh § Attorney, Labor Law
 Dennis Lambson # Foreign Currency Trader
 Dilworth Brinton Jr. ‡ Life Insurance
 Donna Feeney Healthcare
 Doreen Davison A New Leaf
 Douglas Gray ‡ § CPA, General Consulting
 George Bliss Real Estate
 George Medawar § Auto Repair
 Ike Parrish § Retired Engineer
 James Christensen Community Banker
 Janice Parker ‡ Exec. Dir. Social Service

Jared Cox Civil Engineer
 Jason Farnsworth § CPA and CTFA
 Jay Roundy # § Healthcare
 Jerry Bianco Identity Theft
 Jerry DeLand § Retired Banker
 John Crandall # § Retired Dentist
 John Dennett Design/Promotion
 Jon Scott Williams ‡ § Retirement Housing
 Joseph O'Reilly Educational Research
 Jo Wilson ‡ Higher Education
 Kevin De Rosa # § Janitorial Supplies
 Leonard Richards # § Banking, Mortgage
 Leslie Riell § Publishing
 Lois Yates Economic Development
 Marty Whalen ‡ § Consultant, Airplanes
 Michael Cowan Mesa Schools
 Milt Lafen Retired Electronics
 Otto Shill Tax Attorney
 Pat Esparza Community Relations
 Randall Gray ‡ # § Rehab Center
 Randy Vogel Performing Arts - Admin.
 Richard Curtis ‡ Financial
 Robert Brinton § Convention & Visitors Bureau
 Robert DeLong Commercial Insurance
 Rockne Arnett # § East Valley Partnership
 Roger Decker Attorney-Small Business
 Ronald Newth ‡ # § Optometry
 Rudge Hiatt # § Surgeon
 Sally Downey ‡ § Superintendent - EVIT
 Sally Harrison ‡ † √ Chamber of Commerce
 Steve Adams # § Printing
 Steve Beck § Real Estate Development
 Stephen Viramontes Tradeshow/Exhibits
 Susan Carland # § Real Estate, Relocation

Tawnya Christensen § Assisted Living
 Terry Benelli Executive Director NEDCO
 Theodore Van Der Veer § Religion
 Thomas Verploegen § Business Development
 Tom Rhodes ‡ § Stock Broker
 Tom Schildgen Higher Education - Dept. Chair
 Val Wilson § Medicine, Orth. Surgery
 Vern Mathern Aviation
 Vince Di Bella Architecture
 Walter "Bud" Page § Real Estate, Residential
 Wilford Cardon # § Retired Petroleum
 William Hall Appraiser
 William Kelsey Answering Service

HONORARY MILITARY

Gerald Paulus §

HONORARY PRESIDENT

Ike Parrish §

HONORARY

Eddie Basha

Eric Jackson # §

John McCain §

John Rhodes III §

Nadine Davis §

Judy Kassebaum ‡ § - Club Secretary

..... Past President

§ Paul Harris Fellow

‡ Sustaining Member

√ Benefactor

MAKE-UPS

MONDAY

Mesa East Superstition Springs Golf Club
 Scottsdale Camelback Inn
 Kyrene Corridor KOBE Japanese Steak House
 Boeing Employee Boeing Co. 5000 S. McDowell (11:00 am)

TUESDAY

Mesa Baseline Mesa Country Club
 Chandler San Marcos Hotel
 Sun Lakes Cottonwood Country Club (7:00 am)
 Tempe Monti's La Casa Vieja
 Scottsdale Airport Firm Restaurant

Where times are not indicated, meetings are scheduled at noon.
 Please check the District 5510 website www.rotary5510.org
 for directions. Click on Club Directories and Contacts.

WEDNESDAY

Mesa Sunrise Grandma's Kitchen (7:00 am)
 Ahwatukee Foothills Grace Inn Restaurant (6:15 am)
 Chandler Horizon Mulligans by San Marcos Pro Shop (6:50 am)
 Tempe East Karsten's Golf Course

THURSDAY

Mesa West Hilton Pavilion
 Gilbert Golden Corral (7:00 am)
 Tempe Rio Salado Home Town Buffet Scottsdale Rd.
 North of McDowell (7:00 am)

FRIDAY

Tempe South Friendship Village Cafeteria,
 Dobson & Southern (7:00 am)
 Scottsdale Papago Quilted Bear Restaurant
 Chandler North Iguana Mac's

Make up online at: www.rotaryclubswest.org or www.rotaryclubone.org



COMMITTEES

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT
Tom Verploegen

PRESIDENT ELECT
Cris Tutera

VICE PRESIDENT
Rich Curtis

SECRETARY
Sally Harrison

TREASURER
Doug Gray

PAST PRESIDENT
Leonard Richards

Rotary International President
Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee
South Korea

Governor, District 5510
Don LaBarge

CLUB SERVICE 1

Director: Pat Esparza
 • Family of Rotary: Benjamin Yanofsky
 • Historian, Magazine, Bulletin: Dil Brinton, Jr., Steve Adams
 • Sergeant-at-Arms: Randy Gray
 • Public Relations: Chuck Wahlheim
 • Roster: Tawnya Christensen
 • Chicago Cubs: Marty Whalen
 • Senior Representative: Allen Bunker
 • Committee: Paul Harris Sculpture: Charlie Deaton, Allen Bunker, Tom Verploegen

CLUB SERVICE 2

Director: Steve Beck
 • Program: Robert Brinton, Tom Rhodes
 • Fundraising: Stephen Viramontes
 • Bylaws: Otto Shill
 • Annual Broadway Palm: Rod Kinney
 • Story Teller Festival: Randy Vogel, Robert Brinton

CLUB SERVICE 3

Director: Sally Downey
 • Membership Development: Bud Page
 • Mentoring: Milt Lafen
 • Annual Picnic: Bud Page
 • Annual Anniversary: Kevin De Rosa
 • Super Bowling: Pat Esparza

CLUB TRADITION

DIRECTORS: Leonard Richards, Jon Scott Williams

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Director: Rich Curtis
 • Community & Dictionary Projects: Joseph O'Reilly
 • Shots For Tots: Roger Decker, Al Ruiz
 • Handicapped: Val Wilson, Dan Taylor
 • RYLA, INTERACT: Jared Cox, Conrad Morin
 • Service Above Self: Jon Scott Williams
 • Student of the month: Deb Duvall, Sally Downey
 • Salvation Army: Brian Vivian, Dil Brinton Jr.
 • BSA Eagle Project: Jon Scott Williams, Steve Adams, Bradley Clark, Dil Brinton Jr.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Director: Cris Tutera
 • Vocational Awareness: Debra Duvall
 • Vocational Scholarships: Michael Cowan
 • Classification Talks: Sally Harrison
 • Vocation at Work: Dave Wier

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Director: Jason Farnsworth
 • World Community Projects:
 • Care For Life: Brad Tennison
 • Honduras: Otto Shill
 • Guaymas: Susan Carland
 • Mexico: Brad Clark, Charlie Brown
 • Sister Cities: Ron Newth
 • Exchange Students: Jo Wilson
 • Rotary Foundation:
 Leonard Richards & Past Presidents
 • Sister Rotary Club - New Zealand: Milt Lafen



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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Meeting at Broadway Palm

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

MAY 6
METRO
Erin Seibel

MAY 13
Club Assembly

MAKE UP?

When you miss a meeting you are supposed to make up, but where to go? You can look on the back of the COG for local make ups or log onto the internet at www.rotary.org for a world wide directory of Rotary clubs.



Lois Yates - May 3

Stephen Adams - May 5

Michael Cowan - May 5

Visit Our Website at: www.mesarotaryclub.com



IN REVIEW

Sally Downey says we should sing America the Beautiful and not Roll Out the Barrel. Bud Page leads us in the Pledge and Jo Wilson gives the prayer.

Milt Lafen touts upcoming golf tournaments. First is for the Sister Cities group. Second is for Save the Family. Both are group fund raisers and Milt has details. Bud Page has the Ho Ho Kams stand so that he can give a short final report on Spring Training. President Tom must be a Diamondback fan, he fines each of the Ho Ho's a buck for advertising. No word about all of the free advertising at the park for "Come on down to downtown!"

Membership changes include resignations from Ana Cardillo and Jay Furness. Charlie Deaton is rejoining us after a month of 'retirement'.

Mona will be leaving for a couple of days with the Rotary Exchange Students at a RYLA session. Be sure to brush up on your German as Mona's father will be visiting with us in May. If you don't have much German, try French, as he speaks it also.

Chas Wirken takes the pulpit absent is alter ego. But he does have several months of newspaper clippings. The Randy Gray press organization has about half of the clippings. Chas was going to give Randy a pass on the publicity but Randy kept talking until he ended up with \$100 to the Paul Harris Foundation to honor his graduating son. James Christensen gets to repeat the name of his bank several times. Jo Wilson is honored as a woman of distinction (and puts \$100 in the Foundation). Brian Vivian and Carol McCormack each add to the pot, but Brian give an additional \$100 to the club for being the outstanding small businessman.

Finally we get to Brad Tension and the introduction of Tory Smock, director of Room for Joy. They are dedicated to enhancing the healing process for chronically ill children by providing positive, imaginative bedroom environments. In some cases they not only give the ill child a bedroom makeover, but they also 'fix up' the rest of the house. The 'before and after' pictures are quite something (dare we say joyful!). Another fine group of citizens making Mesa a better place!

DOWN MEMORY LANE

FIVE YEARS AGO -- 2004

The city honors historic preservation. Dilworth Brinton is honored for the Park of the Canals (and the train at Pioneer Park). Mary Olive Mott is honored as a historian and preserving the Mesa Room at the Library (it needs saving from the City again!). Sally Downey is honored for turning the old mule barn in to her office and a board room at EVIT.

TEN YEARS AGO -- 1999

We were supposed to hear about the Hubble Telescope but instead we get Greg Marek, City of Mesa Director of Redevelopment. He tells us about the Mesa Verde Resort and Sports complex (between the hotel and Mesa Drive), the Mesa Arts Center and the Main Street "Street Scape" to widen the sidewalks and narrow the traffic lanes to two. This will be a pedestrian enhancement and will attract people to downtown.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO -- 1994

It's the twelfth annual Bashas/Rotary Golf Tournament. Dinner and auction at the Tempe Buttes, Golf at the ASU Karston course. Rotarians are all assigned to various jobs.

THIRTY YEARS AGO -- 1979

Ike Parrish presents Glenna Robson with the Paul Harris medallion. Glenna receives it on behalf of Innes Robson who was elected president of our club last December but died the next week. Innes' many friends donated the amount needed to finish his Paul Harris Fellowship.

FOURTY FIVE YEARS AGO -- 1964

Dizzy Dean, the sports broadcaster, really praised Dwight Patterson, the Ho Ho Kams and Mesa during the baseball Game of the Week. Mesa couldn't buy that type of advertising on TV, but they get it for free because how nice we are.

SIXTY YEARS AGO -- 1949

One hundred and seventy five merchants in Mesa are hosting Mesa's Value Fair this week end. The merchants and the Chamber of Commerce want to attract everyone to the downtown and invite them to keep their money in Mesa with all of the values they find.

SIXTY FIVE YEARS AGO -- 1944

Rotary under the work of Leland Heywood and Charlie Sellers are sponsoring the new Cub Scout program in Mesa. The young men and their leaders will be at a future meeting.



SAGUARO SAM

Dil Brinton Jr.

So Chas has two burning questions. One of them is medical and could have been answered by Val Wilson who was sitting next to Chas for lunch. The other question is about Rotary and I can try to answer that.

Chas wanted to know how many years of Brinton's in our club. If you only count the three Chas knows, the answer is 98 years total. But if you count all of the relatives such as brother Van, brother in law Rudge Hiatt, father in law Rial Randall and several cousins and nephews, the total is about double. I have a list with over 50 'family Rotary connections' for members of our club. Apparently Rotary is more of a 'family thing' that Chas realized.

But not only are there family connections. Often there are also business (family) connections. There are certain businesses in Mesa that have a long history of 'having someone in Rotary.' That's how Chas got in to our club, as did most of his partners. There is only one of the business houses that is still the original business and still located at the same location with continuous membership in our club for over 85 years. Any guesses? If so, ask Alan Bunker for the answer.

As far as classifications, there are seven of the original classifications (some with a different wording but same classification) still in our club.

Any guesses as to the seven classifications?

They would be classifications for surgery, banker, school superintendent, real estate, insurance and religion.

Now then, who held the original classification and who holds it (or its descendent classification) in our club now? For the answer ask club historian Dil Brinton Jr. (There is a prize if you can name them all correctly!)

Welcome back to Broadway Palm as the guest of Will Prather. Not only does Will donate his theater for our annual fund raiser, but he also does this for several other groups. Thank's Will! But better than just your thanks, why not stop by the box offices on our your way out and get a couple of tickets for one of the upcoming dinner and shows? It's a great way to spend an evening!