

## OUR MEMBERS

Adams, Steve # § ..... Printing  
 Arnett, F. Rockne # § ..... East Valley Partnership  
 Beck, Steve ‡ ..... Real Estate Development  
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 Best, James ..... Newspaper, Finance  
 Bianco, Jerry ..... Identity Theft  
 Bliss, George ..... Real Estate  
 Brinton, Dilworth Jr ‡ § ..... Life Insurance  
 Brinton, Robert ‡ § ..... Convention & Visitors Bureau  
 Brown, Charles § ..... Property Management  
 Bunker, Allen § ..... Retired Funeral Director  
 Cardon, Wilford # § ..... Retired Petroleum  
 Carland, Susan # § ..... Real Estate, Relocation  
 Clark, Bradley ..... Construction  
 Cowan, Michael ..... Mesa Schools  
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 Christensen, Tawnya § ..... Assisted Living  
 Curtis, Richard ‡ ..... Financial  
 Davison, Doreen ..... A New Leaf  
 Deaton, Charlie # ‡ ..... Chamber of Commerce  
 Decker, Roger ..... Attorney-Small Business  
 DeLand, Jerry § ..... Retired Banker  
 DeLong, Robert ..... Commercial Insurance  
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 Esparza, Pat ..... Community Relations  
 Farnsworth, Jason ‡ § ..... Trust Administration  
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 Gilbert, Pat § ..... Marc Center Counsel  
 Gray, Douglas § ..... CPA, General Consulting  
 Gray, Randall # § ..... Rehab Center

Hall, William ..... Appraiser  
 Harrison, Sally § √ ..... Physical Therapy  
 Henry, Craig § ..... Staffing  
 Hiatt, Rudge # § ..... Surgeon  
 Jackson, J. C. .... Physical Medicine Rehab  
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 Kitts, David ‡ ..... Moving Services  
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 Lambson, Dennis # § ..... Foreign Currency Trader  
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 Mathern, Vern ..... Aviation  
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 Medawar, George § ..... Auto Repair  
 Miller, Roger ‡ § ..... Language Systems  
 Morin, Conrad ‡ ..... Commercial Loan Officer  
 Newth, Ronald # § ..... Optometry  
 O'Reilly, Joseph ‡ ..... Educational Research  
 Packer, Donna ..... Healthcare  
 Page, Walter "Bud" § ..... Real Estate, Residential  
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 Parrish, I. W. Ike § ..... Retired Engineer  
 Paulus, Gerald § ..... Gas Utilities  
 Petrie, Bill ..... Code Compliance Director  
 Reeser, Bruce § ..... Prosthetics & Orthotics  
 Rhodes, Tom § ..... Stock Broker  
 Richards, Leonard F. § ..... Banking, Mortgage  
 Riell, Leslie G. § ..... Publishing  
 Roundy, Jay T. # § ..... Healthcare  
 Ruiz, Al § ..... Automotive Paint  
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 Shill, Otto ..... Tax Attorney  
 Stafford, David ‡ ..... Insurance Management  
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 Tennison, Brad ‡ § ..... Financial Consultant  
 Thompson, Richard ..... Towing  
 Tininenko, David ‡ ..... Credit Officer

Tutera, Crisanna § ..... Real Estate Residential  
 Van Der Veer, Theodore § ..... Religion  
 Verploegen, Thomas § ..... Business Development  
 Vivian, Bryan ‡ § ..... Auto Repair  
 Viramontes, Stephen ..... Merchant Services  
 Vogel, Randy ‡ ..... Performing Arts - Admin.  
 Wahlheim, Chuck § ..... Consultant  
 Whalen, Marty § ..... Consultant, Airplanes  
 Wier, David ‡ § ..... Banking  
 Williams, Jon Scott § ..... Retirement Housing  
 Wilson, Jo ‡ ..... Higher Education  
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 Wirken, Charles # § ..... Law, Civil Trial  
 Yanofsky, Benjamin ..... Optometry  
 Yates, Lois ..... Economic Development

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 John McCain §  
 John J. Rhodes III §

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# ..... Past President  
 § ..... Paul Harris Fellow  
 ‡ ..... Sustaining Member  
 √ ..... Benefactor



## 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**  
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South Korea

**Governor, District 5510**  
Don LaBarge

### CLUB SERVICE 1

**Director: Pat Esparza**  
 • Family of Rotary: *TBD*  
 • Historian, Magazine, Bulletin:  
*Dil Brinton, Jr., Steve Adams*  
 • Sergeant-at-Arms: *Randy Gray*  
 • Public Relations: *Chuck Wahlheim*  
 • Roster: *Tom Verploegen*  
 • 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 Laflen*  
 • Annual Picnic: *Bud Page*  
 • Getting To Know You: *Sally Harrison, Kevin De Rosa*  
 • 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*  
 • RYLA, INTERACT: *Jared Cox*  
 • Service Above Self: *Jon Scott Williams*  
 • Student of the month: *Deb Duvall, Sally Downey*  
 • Salvation Army: *Brian Vivian, Dil Brinton Jr.*  
 • BSA Eagle Project: *Bradley Clark*

### 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: *Dennis Lambson*  
 • Honduras: *Eric Jackson*  
 • Guaymas: *Brad Clark, Ted Van Der Veer*  
 • Mexico: *Pat Esparza, Bryan Vivian*  
 • Sister Cities: *Ron Newth*  
 • Exchange Students: *Roger Miller, Conrad Morin*  
 • Rotary Foundation, Paul Harris, Charity:  
*Leonard Richards, Charlie Deaton, Sally Harrison*  
 • Exchange Host: *Pat Esparza, Lois Yates*



*Where times are not indicated, meetings are scheduled at noon.  
 Please check the District 5510 website [www.rotary5510.org](http://www.rotary5510.org)  
 for directions. Click on Club Directories and Contacts.*

### 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

### WEDNESDAY

Mesa Sunrise ..... Sweet Cakes (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

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**TODAY'S  
PROGRAM**

**Best Buddies  
Briana Marshall**

**UPCOMING  
PROGRAMS**

**AUGUST 13**

Exchange Program  
Jo Wilson

**AUGUST 20**

DARK

**AUGUST 23**

Broadway Palm Fundraiser

**AUGUST 27**

Fun & Interactive Club Assembly

**SEPTEMBER 8**

Illegal Immigration and Sheriff's Office  
Terry Goddard



**Pat Esparza - August 10**



**IN REVIEW**

We finally got the piano back (from the Symphony luncheon in the next room). Nadine (Anderson) Davis plays, so Robert Brinton wants to top Val Wilson's attempt to have us sing from Elvis. Robert tries to teach the club the Pajama Song. At one time this was a real favorite of the club. The club even sang it at a Rotary International convention. We got through the first verse but it fell apart on the second verse. Better luck next time! Bruce Reeser leads us in the Pledge and Pat Esparza gives the prayer.

Several of our members have reports on the Newth's. They are now at home and receiving telephone calls. If you are interested in volunteering as the taxi driver for either Ron or Joan, call for an appointment.

Ticket vouchers for the Broadway Palm fundraiser are available at the table as you come in (or go out). Each voucher is good for TWO TICKETS. The cost will be charged to your account so either plan to attend in person or sell (or give) them to someone else as you "got 'em", like it or not. It looks like the same thing will apply to your gift to the silent auction.

Susan Carland reports that Bashas has once again (as usual) stepped up to help with our Christmas project to Guaymas. We now have 2,000 plus pounds of candy for the kids. If anyone knows a Boy Scout that would like to help via his Eagle Scout project, contact Rich Curtis or Dil Brinton Jr. for details and help. Donna Packer is back as a member and gives us an update on her classification via a talk.

Tom Rhodes introduces Johann Zeitsmann, the director of the city's arts programs. Besides the Arts Center, he supervises the Museum for Youth and the recently renamed Southwest Museum.

Johann has quite a PowerPoint presentation to explain why and how the arts in Mesa should Entertain, Educate and Enjoy. Johann has lots of big ideas on how to get people in Mesa to take, enjoy and support more arts, particularly those which involve city money. To help you, they now have an 'interactive brochure' online so that you can sample some of the programs before you buy. Try it yourself at [www.mesaartscenter.com](http://www.mesaartscenter.com)



**DOWN  
MEMORY LANE**

**FIVE YEARS AGO -- 2003**

Tom Verploegen gives a classification talk. Milt Laffen introduces Dr. Osorio to tell us about his medical mission to Peru. Milt went along and took pictures.

**TEN YEARS AGO -- 1998**

The GGOPP took a month longer to take in its first female member. The GGOPP has some 'bank examiners' and find her overdrawn enough to join their ranks.

**FIFTEEN YEARS AGO -- 1993**

Neal Walk is the spokesman for the Phoenix Suns, and spends the whole time answering questions while our members try to find some 'inside' stuff for their next bet!

**THIRTY FIVE YEARS AGO -- 1973**

Roc Arnett has various recreational managers tell us what is coming up. A forest ranger tells us about plans on the Tonto. Maricopa County has plans for some regional parks with water sports, shooting and marksmanship tournaments. Then the Mesa Recreation Dept. tells us about the planned golf course and facilities to be built at Dobson Ranch.

**FOURTY YEARS AGO - 1968**

Quite a talk and demonstration about fire presentation and fire fighting. Conrad Liston and Ned Campbell, fire inspectors from the City of Phoenix.

**FOURTY FIVE YEARS AGO - 1963**

Maurice Bateman has planted the seeds for one of the finest Rotary projects ever conceived by a local club. Using water from a local canal we would make a park with a waterway for boating and fishing—a second (and better) Encanto Lagoon and city park. Let's do serious thinking on this lagoon/park idea.

**FIFTY YEARS AGO - 1958**

Dil Brinton has Col. Milton Adams from Williams Field tells us all about the various new rockets for attack and defense. He has pictures and stories about the short range "Dart" to the ICBM "Thor."

**SIXTY FIVE YEARS AGO - 1943**

The Lions want a rematch for their trouncing by us at softball. We are leading the drive to start a blood bank in Mesa. Don't forget to sign your "A" ration stamps. Unendorsed stamps will be confiscated and you will lose part of your gasoline rations.

**SEVENTY YEARS AGO -- 1938**

Dr. Melvin Kent is back from spending time in Austria learning more about surgery. He says it's great to be back and away from Hitlerism



**SAGUARO SAM**

Dil Brinton Jr.

Quite the dog and pony show for the Arts center. Unfortunately few in Mesa know, remember or even care about the history of the arts in our community.

In the beginning, music, theater, and arts, came from and were performed in the local church buildings -- by families for families. Several civic (little theater) groups formed to put on shows. Again mostly they were staged in church buildings, until the Vance Auditorium was built in about 1907. For the next forty- five years it (renamed the Mezona in 1927) served as the 'arts center' for both locals and national traveling shows. At one time it was the best house between El Paso and the West coast. In addition as a theater, it was used as a weekly dance floor, local music recitals, LDS conferences, business conventions and regularly even served as hotel accommodations for LDS temple trips from South of the border. It was booked almost every day.

In the early 1930's the Mesa High Auditorium was added to the venue. Before then, shows were done out door at the amphitheater at the Twin Knolls (East of Power Road, North of Main St.) or at the football stadium. During World War II, the Mesa Little theater built a theater building for their (almost monthly) productions. After World War II, the city purchased a surplus airplane hanger and moved it from Mariana to Center St. (where city hall is now located.) So now besides performing and fine arts, the city had a venue for weekly boxing, basketball and other sports, the county fair and several city 'festivals' including the Rawhide Round Up, the Miniature Parade and the Citrus Fair.

Our Rotary Club did several 'shows' each year to raise money for civic causes. Rulon Shepherd was usually the main producer but Rotarians and their children all got to help out. (My first 'Sweetheart Time' was running a spotlight at the old Mesa High Auditorium for one of Rulon's shows in the early 1960's.) The early 1960's was the high spot for the arts in Mesa. All of the churches were doing traveling 'road shows', or speech festivals and dance festivals every year for their youth. The Little Theater (and other groups) has a half a dozen shows each year. There were several private dance and music review/shows each year. A symphony, a city band and Milano's had productions almost every couple of months. All of the schools had productions. The Art Guild and Writers club both had shows. Unfortunately in about 1964, things for the arts started down hill, but that will be a story for another week.

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