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Eddie Basha

Nadine Davis §

John McCain §

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..... 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 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

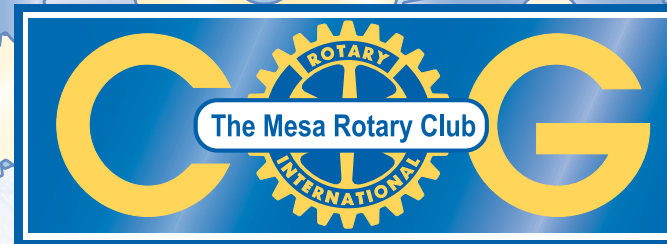
THURSDAY

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

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



COMMITTEES

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Leonard Richards

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Tom Verploegen

VICE PRESIDENT

Cris Tuter

SECRETARY

Sally Harrison

TREASURER

Doug Gray

PAST PRESIDENT

Eric Jackson

Rotary International President

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

Governor, District 5510

Tom Burns

CLUB SERVICE 1

Director: **Tom Verploegen**

- Family of Rotary: *Judy Bowden, Chad Paulson*
- Historian, Magazine, Bulletin: *Dil Brinton, Jr., Steve Adams*
- Sergeant-at-Arms: *Randy Gray*
- Public Relations: *Les Riell*
- Roster: *Tom Verploegen, Lois Yates*
- Chicago Cubs: *Marty Whalen*
- Senior Representative: *Allen Bunker*

CLUB SERVICE 2

Director: **Steve Beck**

- Program: *Robert Brinton, Tom Rhodes*
- Fundraising: *John Dennett, Stephen Viramontes, Cris Tuter, Susan Carland*
- Bylaws: *Otto Shill*
- Annual Broadway Palm: *Rod Kinney*
- Story Teller Festival: *Randy Vogel, Robert Brinton*

CLUB SERVICE 3

Director: **Sally Downey**

- Membership Development: *John Dennett, David Tininenko, Bud Page*
- Mentoring: *Jo Wilson, Pat Esparza, Milt Laflen*
- Super Bowling: *Eric Jackson, Sally Harrison*
- Annual Picnic: *Bud Page*
- Getting To Know You: *Sally Harrison, Kevin De Rosa*
- Annual Anniversary: *Kevin De Rosa*

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 Tuter**

- Vocational Awareness: *Debra Duvall, Tom Landry*
- Vocational Scholarships: *Michael Cowan*
- Classification Talks: *Sally Harrison*
- Vocation at Work: *Dave Wier*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Director: **Jason Farnsworth**

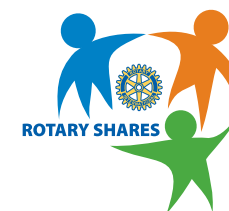
- World Community Projects:
 - Care For Life: *Dennis Lambson*
 - Honduras: *Eric Jackson*
 - Guaymas: *Brad Clark, Ted Van Der Veer*
 - Mexico: *Pat Esparza, Bryan Vivian*
 - Sister Cities: *Ron Newth, Judy Bowden*
- Exchange Students: *Roger Miller, Conrad Morin*
- Rotary Foundation, Paul Harris, Charity: *Charlie Deaton, Eric Jackson, Sally Harrison*
- Exchange Host: *Pat Esparza, Lois Yates*



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"So long as there is one hungry child,
 one ignorant man, one discouraged youth,
 so long as there is misunderstanding or
 conflict anywhere, so long as there is a
 choice friend who has not yet been found,
 there is a reason for Rotary."

*Richard L. Evans, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA
 RI president, 1966-67*



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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Tom Landry
Fine Watches and Diamonds

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

JUNE 11

Wil Prather Broadway Palm

JUNE 18

Jon Scott Williams
Service Above Self

JUNE 25

Past Presidents Day

JULY 2

GGOPP

JULY 9

Harry Beck
Mesa Fire Department Chief



Rudger Hiatt - June 9

George Medawar - June 10

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IN REVIEW

Looks like President Leonard is trying to practice his 'confusion tactics' on the club. Maybe this will wear off on the GGOPP. He switches both the order of opening and who is doing what. Dil Brinton Jr. ends up giving both the prayer and the song with Vern Mathern doing the Pledge. Some how, Tom Rhodes gets left out completely!

We have lots of visitors, in some part because of today's program. Sally Downey does the introduction and Rich Curtis keeps tracks of the meeting note as our regular editor has to leave early.

Congressman Henry Mitchell is here today and tells us some of the happenings in Washington. He states that Rotary Clubs are definitely strength to a community and that the 4 way test is very important and should be used when a policy is being discussed, (although he says it isn't used all that often). Congressman Mitchell states that he is the oldest member of his freshman class in Washington. He has been very active in the transportation committee as well as working on a GI bill that would benefit all veterans whether they enlist or are a part of the reserves. He states that the original GI bill was only of benefit to those who were full time service personnel.

Congressman Mitchell is living what he taught and believes. He is a native to Arizona and graduated as well as taught at Tempe High. He taught U.S. Government. Then while he was still teaching he was a member of the Tempe Town Council and eventually was elected as Mayor. From Mayor of Tempe he was elected to the Arizona State Senate, then finally last year he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. He says that this is definitely the toughest job he has ever done. He finishes by telling us that he is a super delegate for the Democratic Party, and that he is for Sen. Obama. He explains that the district that he represents is the only district that Sen. Obama won during the Arizona Primary. So he feels he owes it to his district to support who they would like to see in office. What a concept!



DOWN MEMORY LANE

FIVE YEARS AGO -- 2003

Dr. Lothare Booth and the Nuevo Casa Grandes Rotary Club tell us about their project to help with vision to the poor in Mexico. Nuevo Casa Grandes wants our club to join a project in their town.

TEN YEARS AGO -- 1998

There is now a Rotary 'club' on the internet so that you can 'make up' at any time you wish. Will this help boost our attendance for those who can't meet with us at noon? It's easy to use but will they have the desire to use it?

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO -- 1993

Robert Brinton is back from a scout outing but has a nice cast on his leg. He managed to get one of his boys back into the canoe after some rapids, but his leg and a large rock fought it out to see which would break first.

THIRTY YEARS AGO - 1978

A moment of silence at the passing of long time member and civic citizen, Lin Werner. He had 45 years of perfect Rotary attendance and served as Mayor in Mesa.

FIFTY YEARS AGO - 1958

Chief Scouter, George Miller, is here to receive a \$1,500 check from our club for the boy Scouts. This represents the proceeds of our recent dramatic production and talent show, "Sweetheart Time" directed by Rulon Shepherd.

SIXTY FIVE YEARS AGO - 1943

Three of Mesa's six scout troops are at camp this week. The other three troops will be going to the high country later this summer. Several of our members are helping with the transportation and leadership... do they get to count this as 'Service Above Self' or "Do a Good Turn Daily"?

SEVENTY YEARS AGO -- 1938

President Lin Werner helps the club celebrate its history and all those that have been members of our club. Besides the 24 from the first year of organization, we have added 130 names to the list. Of that number, ninety five have died, moved or changed business and are no longer with our club.



SAGUARO SAM

Dil Brinton Jr.

Does Janice Parker look happy? She should be. Since the Krispy Kreme store opened in Mesa, they have sold a lot of donuts to help raise money for her charities. I hear that the amount is up in the five figures for the first weeks. Owner Dan Brinton comes from a Rotary family in Nashville. It is easy to see where he gets his 'service above self' attitude. I sure hope that Brother Robert can get Dan to attend our club a couple of times in the near future. If you haven't been out to the new store (the only Krispy Kreme in Arizona), swing by and go in for a dozen. They are located on the North side of Superstition Springs Blvd about 100 yards West of Power.

Looks like Sally Downey may also be looking for a fund raiser, since the state wants the extra education money that they accidentally gave to EVIT. Maybe her students can either sell or eat a million Krispy Kremes to help out.

Let me take you back 25 years in our city's history. About this time in 1983 the city was clearing the land at 1st avenue and Pomeroy Street (aka Site 8). The city had a 'BIG' redevelopment deal ready to go and needed all of the land to progress further. This was going to be one of the redevelopments that turned around the downtown area. But they couldn't tell us citizens who the deal was with, -- 'just wait and you will see!' The city then evicted the old folks (mostly in the 80's and 90's) and bulldozed their houses, yards and trees. 'We can't wait for them to die!' Then the wait for the 'imminent redevelopment' started.

After 10 years, the city started allowing Brown & Brown to park their van inventory on the bare land. But mostly for 25 years, the 'BIG redevelopment deal' sat vacant and we have waited and wondered. But our patience has finally been rewarded. We now know about the new 'BIG development.' It is a new building for the city court building. Apparently after 25 years of 'selling', no developers wanted the back side of Site 8, so the city will use it instead. I don't know exactly how this will help the downtown area, but it sure should help the lunch trade at Pete's Fish and Chips. I'm glad to see that site 8 is finally being redeveloped, but I wonder if we will have to wait another 25 years for the 'north 40 (acres)' to be redeveloped? A couple of years ago, it too was being cleansed for another 'sure thing deal' with the city.