

Our Members

Adams, Steve # § Printing
 Arnett, F. Rockne # § Casualty Insurance
 Beck, Steve ‡ Real Estate Development
 Best, James Newspaper, Finance
 Bliss, George Real Estate
 Brinton, Dilworth Jr ‡ Life Insurance
 Brinton, Robert ‡ ... Convention & Visitors Bureau
 Cardon, Wilford # § Petroleum
 Carland, Susan # § Real Estate, Relocation
 Clark, Bradley Construction, Exc. & Grading
 Cooley, Eldon § Land Investment
 Cope, Brent Hospital CEO
 Cox, Jared ‡ Civil Engineer
 Crandall, John # § Retired Dentist
 Curtis, Richard ‡ Financial
 Deaton, Charlie # ‡ Chamber of Commerce
 Decker, Roger Attorney-Small Business
 DeLand, Jerry § Dir. of Development
 Dennett, John Design/Promotion
 DeRosa, Kevin # § Janitorial Supplies
 Downey, Sally ‡ Superintendent - EVIT
 Duvall, Debra ‡ School Superintendent
 Esparza, Pat Community Relations
 Evans, Dan ‡ CPA
 Farnsworth, Jason ‡ Trust Administration
 Garcia, Lisha ‡ Neighborhood Service
 Garner, Dion Sales & Marketing
 Gilbert, Pat § Office Supplies
 Goodman, Marcos Public Accounting
 Gray, Douglas § CPA, General Consulting
 Gray, Randall # § Rehab Center

Hall, Bill ‡ Real Estate Appraisals
 Harrison, Sally § √ Physical Therapy
 Hartley, William ‡ Banking - Market Pres.
 Hiatt, Rudge # § Surgeon
 Jackson, Eric § Law, General
 Jackson, J. C. Physical Medicine Rehab
 John, Larry ‡ Business Consulting
 John, Michal Public Relations
 John, Preston ‡ Advertising & Marketing
 Kavanaugh, Dennis § Attorney, Labor Law
 Kelsey, William A. ‡ Answering Service
 Kinney, Rod Director of Sales
 Kitts, David ‡ Moving Services
 Laflen, Milt ‡ Electronics
 Lambson, Dennis # § Foreign Currency Trader
 Landry, Tom ‡ Jeweler
 McCormack, Carol ‡ Eeelosominary
 McCormack, Katherine Marketing Specialist
 Medawar, George § Auto Repair
 Miller, Roger ‡ Language Systems
 Morin, Conrad ‡ Commercial Loan Officer
 Newth, Ronald # § Optometry
 O'Reilly, Joseph ‡ Educational Research
 Page, Walter "Bud" § Real Estate, Residential
 Parker, Janice ‡ Exec. Dir. Social Service
 Parrish, I. W. Ike § Engineer
 Paulson, Chad Medical Equipment Sales
 Paulus, Gerald § Gas Utilities
 Petrie, Bill Code Compliance Director
 Preston, Tony Real Estate Broker
 Raymond, Tim Pension Service
 Rhodes, Tom § Stock Broker
 Richards, Leonard F. § Banking, Mortgage
 Riell, Leslie G. § Publishing
 Roundy, Jay T. # § Performance Consulting

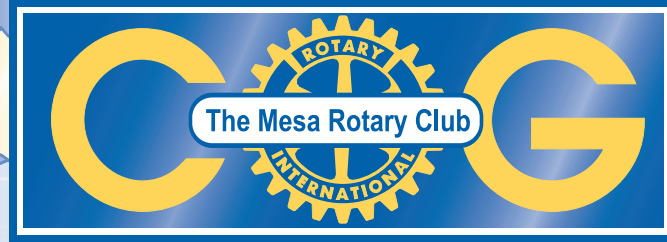
Ruiz, Al § Automotive Paint
 Stafford, David ‡ Insurance Management
 Taj, Torrie § Development Dir., Social Service
 Taylor, Dan § Senior Center Director
 Tennison, Brad ‡ Financial Consultant
 Thompson, Richard Towing
 Tininenko, David ‡ Credit Officer
 Tutera, Crisanna § Real Estate Residential
 Van Der Veer, Theodore § Religion
 Verploegen, Thomas § Business Development
 Vivian, Bryan ‡ Auto Repair
 Viramontes, Stephen Merchant Services
 Vogel, Randy ‡ Performing Arts - Admin.
 Whalen, Marty § Consultant, Airplanes
 Wier, David ‡ Banking
 Williams, Jon Scott § Retirement Housing
 Wilson, Jo Higher Education
 Wilson, R. Val § Medicine, Orth. Surgery
 Wirken, Charles # § Law, Civil Trial
 Yates, Lois Economic Development

HONORARY

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 Nadine Davis
 John McCain
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Gloria J. Patrick - Club Secretary

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



William B. Boyd
 Rotary International
 President

Don Kelly
 Governor,
 District 5510

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it BUILD GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Club Officers

PRESIDENT ELECT
 Leonard Richards

PRESIDENT
 Eric Jackson

TREASURER
 Doug Gray

VICE PRESIDENT
 Tom Verploegen

SECRETARY
 Sally Harrison

PAST PRESIDENT
 Charlie Deaton

Committees

CLUB SERVICE 1

DIRECTOR: Tom Verploegen

- Family of Rotary:
Bill Hall, Brad Tennison
- Magazine, Bulletin:
Dil Brinton, Jr.
- Sergeant-at-Arms:
Randy Gray
- Public Relations:
Les Riell, Larry John
- Roster:
Preston John

CLUB SERVICE 2

DIRECTOR: Steve Beck

- Membership Development:
Sally Downey
- Mentoring:
Milt Laflen, David Tininenko
- Program:
Robert, Brinton, Tom Rhodes

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DIRECTOR: Rich Curtis

- Community Projects:
Joseph O'Reilly
- Shots For Tots:
Roger Decker, Al Ruiz
- Handicapped: *Val Wilson*
- RYLA: *Jared Cox*
- Interact: *Kevin Fine*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: Cris Tutera

- Vocational Awareness:
Debra Duvall, Tom Landry
- Vocational Scholarships:
Paul Wenbert, Pat Gilbert
- Classification Talks:
Janice Parker
- Vocation at Work:
Torrie Taj, Dave Wier
- Fundraising:
Chris Tutera, Susan Carland

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

DIRECTOR: Jason Farnsworth

- World Community Projects:
- Care For Life:
Dennis Lambson
- Honduras:
Eric Jackson
- Guaymas:
Brad Clark, Ted Van Der Veer
- Mexico:
Kevin Fine
- Sister Cities:
Ron Newth
- Exchange Students:
Roger Miller, Conrad Morin
- Rotary Foundation:
Charlie Deaton

Make-Ups



Where times are not indicated, meetings are scheduled at noon

MONDAY

Mesa East Superstition Springs Golf Club
 Scottsdale Camelback Inn
 Kyrene Corridor Olive Garden 1010 W. Elliot
 Boeing Employee Boeing Co. 5000 S. McDowell (11:00 am)

TUESDAY

Mesa Baseline Mesa Country Club
 Chandler San Marcos Golf Course
 Sun Lakes Cottonwood Country Club (7:00 am)
 Tempe Monti's La Casa Vieja
 Chandler West Grace Inn of Ahwatukee
 Scottsdale Airpark Havana Cafe

WEDNESDAY

Mesa Sunrise Hilton Pavilion (7:00 am)
 Ahwatukee Foothills Ahwatukee Country Club (6:50 am)
 Chandler Horizon Mulligans by San Marcos Pro Shop (6:50 am)
 Tempe East Monti's
 Gilbert High Noon Val Vista Lakes

THURSDAY

Mesa West Hilton Pavilion
 Gilbert Golden Corral
 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 Hilton Garden Inn E. Indian School Rd.
 Chandler North Iguana Mac's

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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



"Service Above Self"

MESA ROTARY CLUB

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Today's Program

Arizona Medical Association

Upcoming Programs

JANUARY 29

Rotary BBQ
Ramada at Falcon Field

FEBRUARY 7

David Bridger from Pappas

Upcoming Events

ROTARY FAMILY PICNIC

January 29th

We will be spending MONDAY night, January 29th at Falcon Field Park with food and fellowship. The club will provide the food but we need you to let us know how many you will be bringing to the feast. SIGN UP TODAY!

ROTARY BOWLING

February 10th

Our club is sponsoring a Bowling Corporate Challenge on Saturday, February 10, 2007 at the Brunswick Lanes 1754 W. Southern Ave (across from MCC). Eric is hoping that our members will bring their families and or employees to have a fun day and raise money for several of our charities. Sign up forms and additional information will be on the tables every week between now and February 7th.

ROTATION DAY

February 28th

Chris Tutera wants us to divide into three groups for lunch with Jon Scott Williams, Gerry Paulus or at the Broadway Palm. A sign up should be available soon for you to express your choice.

In Review



Dave Weir leads us in singing God Bless America, but he does so from the back of the room and not moving a hand! Dave Tininenko leads us in the Pledge and Ike Parish gives the prayer.

Eric Jackson plays his version of Deal or No Deal. It is either a guest at the table or a 'sinner' to confess something for a fine. Randy Gray pays for either a wedding or the birth of a grandchild, or maybe both! Ted Van Der Veer has a new car. He picked it up in Sweden, but how he got it back is a mystery. Chad Paulson has a new RV. Sally Downey ran a half a marathon, so why not just a half a fine? Val Wilson is growing a face of hair. He also picked up a new client that he met while ringing the Salvation Army bell

Leonard Richards introduces us to Jay Butler, from ASU. Dr. Butler is over Realty (estate) Studies at the Morrison School of Management and Agribusiness.

Currently Real Estate is strong all over the world, but not as high as last year. Local real estate, through the mortgage market, is now impacted by geopolitical events such as oil prices, U.S. debt levels being financed by overseas factors and the stability of the dollar. Good houses are still worth owning to live in but investors are trying to avoid leverage and having to pay for something they don't want to live in. Too many people are watching the Sunday morning infomercials on how to get rich quick with real estate and no risk. Not everyone makes money in real estate like they advertise on TV! They only show the winners.

In our area, apartments are strong, condos are weaker and people are finding that their commuting time is beginning to affect their housing decisions. Freeways have a bigger impact on real estate than does the light rail, unless there are development subsidies along the track routes.

A very interesting program that kept everyone's attention.



Happy Birthday

Joseph O'Reilly

January 31

Down Memory Lane

FIVE YEARS AGO -- 2002

Police chief, Jan Strauss tells us about her life and times as the new top cop in Mesa. Neil Barna tells visiting Interact members how he became a banker. Eric Jackson tells us how he learned the 'green frog' song and became a lawyer.

THIRTY YEARS AGO - 1977

Charlie Mitten's program is about the early history of our club. In just a half an hour, he manages to go from our founding to 1942. He finishes with a story of how our club members dressed as farmers and took an exchange program to Phoenix. We carted produce and animals to the Westward Ho. All went fine until the piglet got free and ran the length of the table during the meeting. That was a program the Phoenix boy's won't easily forget!

SIXTY FIVE YEARS AGO -- 1942

Ray Killian is in San Francisco to help the Arizona legal delegation as they try to save our water. California feels that they should be given more of the water allocated to Arizona. Their argument is that Arizona WILL NEVER develop enough to use all of the water they are allocated. The Mesa Rationing Board has 9 tires and 3 tubes to distribute. The city will get all 4 of the tires and all of the tubes. The other five tires will be distributed to civilians. Because of the War, the Chicago Cubs announce that they will train in Mesa this spring instead of going to Catalina Island.

EIGHTY FIVE YEARS AGO - 1922

The Mesa commercial Club has changed it's name and reorganized. It is now the Mesa Chamber of Commerce. J.C. Raymond is elected president



Saguaro Sam

Dil Brinton Jr.

I am almost thawed out from the trip to Chicago with the Ho Ho Kams to try to entice fans to come to Mesa in March for Spring Training. It was very interesting to see "behind the curtain" to see what really happens to make spring training in Mesa possible.

I suppose that some of you will expect me to jump all over Randy Vogel and the Arts Center, now that the city auditors have started shooting at him. No, I caution that we all wait until we see what is really happening!

When Ho Ho Kam Park was reopened after rebuilding, there were also a couple of "city audits" that surfaced, but never came back after a couple of questions about their methods and their motives.

Les Reill and I were on the Parks Board when it was announced that with Spring Training only a week over, there was already a \$900,000 loss to the city for the facility! Somehow there was real mismanagement, mostly on the part of the Ho Ho's. The city should move to take over the Spring Training operations with the Parks Department to be in charge.

But a couple of questions revealed that ALL of the annual maintenance from Fitch Park and the expenses for spring training were being charged against a month of Spring Training. In addition, most of the monies from spring training, concessions, money from the Visitor and Convention Bureau and future bookings were being held or being applied to a different account. Oops, a little mismatch to cook the books. As the Parks Board, we never got the corrected, final version, as it was never made public.

The next week the auditors also reported that money handled by the Ho Ho Kams was missing for tickets, parking and program sales. Unfortunately for the auditors, they failed to know that that the Ho Ho's had kept track of all the "free" stuff taken by city staff and council members when they visited - names and amounts! That report also never was seen again.

So I'm willing to give Randy a big amount of doubt that he's stealing, when others, mostly city employees and management walk off with whatever they can get their hands on. Having been twice visited by city auditors, I'll bet that there is a lot more to the story, both in facts and motive.