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*"Rotary changes us and
Those we serve. I believe
we can change the world
one life at a time."*

- PAUL HARRIS

ROTARY AVENUES OF SERVICE

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Director: Nicole Wheeldon

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AND CLUB FOUNDATIONS

To be assigned

Friendship, it turns out, is the second most common reason people join Rotary clubs, according to a 2022 member survey. For members who are 60 and older, friendship is the top reason they stay. In a follow-up to his community blog post, One Rotarian leader quipped, with a touch of humor "My sense is joining Rotary will not only beef up the attendance at your memorial service, but that your life will be improved by serving others in ways that, at present, you may only vaguely imagine."

A few years ago, the United Kingdom launched its first government loneliness strategy, encouraging doctors to write patients "prescriptions" to participate in social activities, and across the country, "chatty benches" are popping up to encourage strangers to talk to each other. In Australia, the "men's shed movement" has been growing since the 1990s, with more than 1,200 tool-filled sheds doubling as community centers where men can work side-by-side and connect with one another in a low-stakes setting. We need each other's company. So do your friends who aren't Rotarians. Yet.

- MARK YOUNG



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TODAY'S PROGRAM

United Sound

MEETING LOCATION:

Studios @ Mesa City Center
 59 E 1st St. Mesa
 (across the street from the library)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

All programs will be in person

- 09/04/24 Dark
- 09/11/24 Million Dollar Teacher Project
Lloyd Hopkins
- 09/18/24 Culture Crush
Kindra Maples
- 09/25/24 Just Serve
Sara Anderson
- 10/02/24 DEI
Kristal Burton
- 10/09/24 Idea Museum
Jarrad Bitner

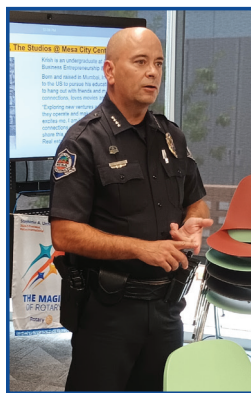


Steve Adams leads us in the Pledge to a picture of the flag. Dil Brinton Jr is called on for a short prayer. Mark Young talks about his Facebook wall. And the COG, bring still in printed paper, has no idea wither he is complaining or bragging.

Simon Tipenen Adlam has Polly Bonnet, the city librarian, tell us about the awards they have gotten for the new libraries that are being built. Several of our members are on her advisory board, (and some of us are still trying to get on the board – for three years.)

Matthew Burton reminds us of our next service projects, the cooling station, in September and at Paz de Cristo and at Longfellow school in October. More details are on our website (or below).

Jared Cox is back from Utah to be our Sgt. at Arms. Has a lot of fish (or Utah) stories. At the end he puts in \$100. Other with better fish story is David Smart. Rose Hanne has a three-part donation. Doug Gray and Tom Rhodes have wedding anniversaries. Mark Young and Joe O'Reilly donate to their Ralph Palmer awards. The new system of writing down you donation on a receipt at your table, makes it harder for our deaf editor to get all of the details.



Ken Cost

Sally Harrison introduces Ken Cost, the police chief. When he was in California and just starting his family, he and his wife decided they wanted to live someplace nice (other than California). Ken has now on been on the Mesa PD for over 28 years. He has seen the growth of Mesa and the police force He has worked himself from officer to chief. When he started in 1995, he was one of 260 officers. Now Mesa has over 800 officers. The Mesa PD is considered by many to be the best in the state. Because of this, every year he has the pick of the top

new officers coming out to the academe. There are lots of questions after this talk, but the one he didn't answer was: 'would you like to join Rotary?'



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

9	Rose Hanne
29	Chas Wirken
30	Mark Young
31	Vernon Mathern
31	Dan Taylor

FUTURE SERVICE EVENTS

Heat Relief: Sept. 7, at 1109 E. Main St. from 8:00am to 10:00am with lunch from 12:30pm to 2:30pm

Paz de Cristo: Oct 1st 4:00pm to 7:00pm cooking & serving dinner.

Longfellow Career Day: Oct 4 Contact Sally Harrison if you want to be a presenter.



DOWN MEMORY LANE

FIVE YEARS AGO – 2019: Former city councilwoman, Claudie Walters, told us all about her experience being on the Jeopardy TV show. It is not as easy or fun as it appears on the screen.

TWENTY YEARS AGO – 2004: Carol McCormack tells us about the Mesa United Way. She says that one of the problems is that people are starting to direct to their favorite charity only instead of their charity AND to the United Way for all other charities. Rotarian Dr. Don Frazier has died. At his funeral one of his sons told us that at the end of the hall hung a large Four Way Test. It was to remind his sons what was really important in his life (and theirs).

THIRTY YEARS AGO – 1994: The three State Senate candidates running from District 29 are in attendance to tell us why they are the best for the job. Two of them followed the Four Way Test. One of them could only say how bad the other two were. (Fortunately, he lost in the primary election.)

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO – 1979: We get an update on our Rotary Park project. We have collected about \$80,000 in materials from companies and individuals. The trees and bushes will be donated by individuals. Arrangements are being made so that you can plant your own tree or plant if you want.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO – 1969: Clark Cubley tells us about the newest private school in Mesa, The Trivium. We honor those of our club that had 100% attendance during the last Rotary year. There are 50 of them who never missed a meeting this year.

SIXTY YEARS AGO – 1964: Someone stuffed the Rotary bell with napkins and Prexy Earl Horlbeck has a difficult time calling the club to order. But get it going he did! Earl ha\$ \$tarted the year with a \$hortage and he i\$ going to make it up in the fir\$t 90 day\$ of the new year.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO – 1954: This weekend the McNary Rotary club has invited the other Rotary clubs to ride the steam train for FREE at a family outing. (I can remember this family outing with the Rotary Club. It was very exciting! – Dil Brinton Jr)

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO – 1949: The city is renaming 58 streets. With the new system, all of the East/West streets north of Main St. will be streets or places. South of Main Street they will all be avenues or boulevards. The city says that this will keep future growth from becoming confusing (as has happened in the last few years since the war.)

NINETY YEARS AGO – 1934: Lo Wright (former warden in Florence) tells us how the proper use of the Civil Conservation Corps can be used to keep boys at work and out of prison. Rial Randall gives his classification talk on auto retailing. Even with large price cuts, the depression is making it hard to stay in business.



SAGUARO SAM DIL BRINTON JR.

From the past

2009 Sgt. At Arms, Chas Wirken, has several newspaper clippings to handout (for a fine). The best clip is about our former police chief. When in San Francisco for a job interview, Chief Gascon, noticed a motorcycle cop resting under a tree. When he approached the officer and asked about his nice new bike, the cop sends him packing. Now it appears that the 'citizen' to whom the cop was rude, is now is new boss. Chas also shows off the tie tack of PT 109, given to him by Edward Kennedy. Too bad he doesn't wear neckties anymore.

2004 In the recently passed city bond for parks and recreation was an amount for the new "world class aquatics center." Originally it was to go in on part of 'Site 17' at the southwest corner of University and Mesa Drive. By then, the 27 acre site had been empty for almost 10 years, after the city bulldozed all of the 67 little houses off the land they took with eminent domain. But then the aquatic center was moved to the southeast corner of Macdonald and First Ave. This is because the Site 17 had a new, bigger project planned. (It also gives the city a reason to finish bulldozing the little houses they took around the Mesa High building with eminent domain.

After the bond passed, the city decided that the site is too small (after all). Then it was decided that the city doesn't need a 'world class aquatic center' and the money is divided up into other park projects. But Robert Brinton stepped in and the city decided maybe they should build a swimming pool at Brimhall Jr. High with some of the money. It was the only Jr High with no pool and it was located in Robert's neighborhood. Who says one person can't get something done?

2024 After 30 years, the Bailey Brakes corner has something being built on it. The aquatics site is now covered with apartments (some of which are subsidized by the city). The Grip (next to Benedictine University on Main St.) is mostly completed but in bankruptcy (with the city as a partner). Site 17 is still empty, with the current plan to put in 'mixed housing' with little or no parking space. (They will all take the light rail?). Parking downtown is becoming in short supply as the city put in a big building for ASU, but they took out the existing parking and put part of it down the middle of First St.

So why this tone? It is to remind you that we will shortly elect or reelect people to the city council (and school board and nationally). The decisions made by these people will have long lasting impacts on us. A good (or a bad) decision may be around for up to 100 years. For example, eighty years ago decisions were made about the airports for Falcon and Williams air bases. Or the decisions to keep the city utilities or get rid of the city property tax or Rendezvous Park. A decision can last a long time. We should spend our vote wisely for those who will make decisions for us.



OUR MEMBERS

CLUB SECRETARY
Rebecca Burdick
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- Al Ruiz § Retired
- Andi Fourlis MPS Superintendent
- Benjamin Yanofsky # • § Optometry
- Carol Lain § Real Estate
- Chad Wilson EVIT Superintendant
- Charles Brown § Property Management
- Chas Wirken # § + \$. Law, Civil Trial
- Cody Cardon Entrepreneur/Food Service
- Craig Henry # § Industrial Pumps
- Dan Taylor § Senior Services Director
- David Smart Retirement Planning
- Dennis Kavanaugh § Labor Law
- Dilworth Brinton Jr. § + Life Insurance
- Douglas Gray § Retired Accountant
- Greg Stanton Government - Official
- Ivan Martinez § Photography
- James Christensen § Community Banker
- Janice Parker • § Business Consultant
- Jared Cox # § Civil Engineer
- Jennifer Duff § Importer/Exporter
- Jo Wilson # § + Higher Education
- John Moore Disability Administration
- Jon Scott Williams § +. Retirement Housing
- Joseph O'Reilly § Educational Research
- Julie Cowgil Education - University
- Leonard Richards # § Banking, Mortgage
- Loyd Young Property Management
- Mark Young § Mesa United Way
- Matthew Burton Financial Advisor
- Nicole Wheeldon Insurance - Marketing
- Nicolle Karantinos # § Residential Real Estate
- Otto Shill # • § Tax Attorney
- Randy Vogel • § Performing Arts - Admin.
- Rose Hanne Health Care - Public
- Sally Harrison § √ Chamber of Commerce
- Sherri Friend Senior Care
- Spencer Tippetts HVAC/Plumbing
- Steve Adams # § + Printing
- Steve Beck # § + Real Estate Development
- Susan Carland # § + Real Estate, Relocation
- Tawnya Christensen § . . . Assisted Living/Memory Care
- Tom Landry § Jewelry
- Tom Rhodes § Retired
- Tom Schildgen # § Higher Education
- Troy Campbell Higher Education
- Val Wilson § Medicine, Orth. Surgery
- Vern Mathern • § Aviation
- Wilford Cardon # § Retired Petroleum

Honorary Member:

Rockne Arnett # §

MAKE-UPS

It is recommended that you confirm information on the club locator app as times and locations may change.

MONDAY

KYRENE

12:00 pm
Olive Garden
1010 W. Elliot Rd., Tempe

TUESDAY

CHANDLER

12:00 pm
Serrano's Mexican Restaurant
141 S. Arizona Ave., Chandler
1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

CHANDLER HORIZON

6:50 am - 8:00 am
San Marcos Golf Course
100 N. Dakota St., Chandler

MESA SUNRISE

7:00 am
Apache Wells Country Club
5601 E. Hermosa Vista Dr., Mesa

SUPERSTITION MT. - APACHE JCT.

12:00 pm
Gold Canyon Golf Resort
6100 S. Kings Ranch Rd., Gold Canyon

THURSDAY

GILBERT

7:00 am
1st, 2nd and 3rd Thursdays
Superstition Springs Golf Club
6542 E. Baseline Rd., Mesa

MESA WEST

12:10 pm
Mesa/Phoenix Doubletree Inn
1011 W. Holmes Ave., Mesa

FRIDAY

TEMPE SOUTH

6:45 am
Friendship Village
2645 E. Southern Ave., Tempe

For other clubs and their meeting location & times get the Rotary Club locator app for your phone

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