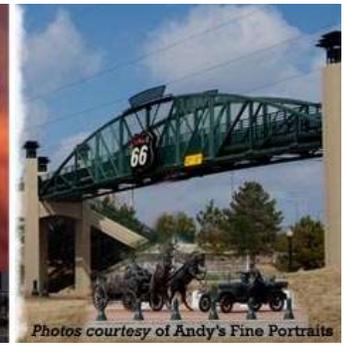
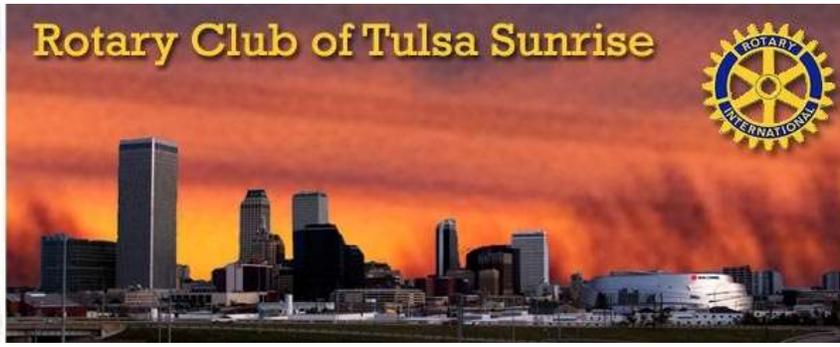




Rotary Club of Tulsa Sunrise



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The Funriser

June 6, 2022

Meetings 6:45 a.m. Wednesdays – Marriott Southern Hills, 71st/Lewis
“Serve to Change Lives”

Weekly meetings at 7A, Tulsa Southern Hills Marriott, 71st/Lewis

We will still continue to do the Zoom thing for those who do not attend in person.

Zoom Meeting Specs

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89035476180?pwd=MLRGZFZ1RDZTUzR3VjBrcU42cC9Ddz09>

Or Phone in: (346) 248-7799

Either way, Meeting ID: 890 3547 6180

Passcode: 359431

Family of Rotary

We hold space here to remember how Dr. Preston Phillips touched the lives of several members of the Sunrise Club, as well as so many others from Tulsa to Togo, and so many points between.

<https://www.newson6.com/story/6299344306e1550c4cde377d/shooting-victim-dr-preston-phillips-remembered-by-family-friends>

<https://www.mlive.com/news/saginaw-bay-city/2022/06/michigan-family-grieves-death-of-doctor-killed-during-tulsa-mass-shooting.html>

<https://www.11alive.com/article/news/local/dr-preston-phillips-tulsa-shooting-atlanta-public-schools/85-488a0f40-6470-48c1-99a4-d7248c8cac5d>

Attached to this issue is an article from the *Tulsa World* about Dr Phillips and our own Komi Folly.

This Week's Program & RoD

Jim Blackburn; **What Farming is Today** RoD: Barney Tonquest

Future Programs

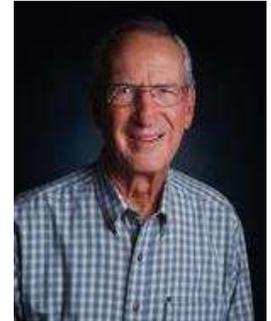
Jun 15: Jennifer Deal; **Brown-Kimbrough Center for the Arts** RoD: Bob Archibald

Jun 22: Robert Pickens: **“Mr. Murph Resurrection”** RoD: Jeff Roberts

Jun 29: Ted Reeds; **History of Tulsa Architecture** RoD: Timothy Holder

Program Preview

The first 18 years of **Jim Blackburn's** life were spent on a farm near a town of 378 souls in west central Missouri. Jim attended a small high school whose largest graduating class to that time was 21 students. Uncle Sam called his number in his second year of college during the Korean War. As luck would have it, though, he spent most of the next two years in Germany and saw a lot of Europe in the process.



He returned to U.S. with three objectives: 1) to marry Norma, 2) to earn his degree from the University of Missouri and 3) to get a real job. Ultimately, Jim achieved all three and then spent the next 51 years selling agricultural fertilizers and industrial chemicals, with only a small break back at the farm.

Jim decided at 75 that it was time to play with his farm and in his shop. He continues to enjoy traveling and wintering with great friends in Arizona. Jim has two sons, two daughters, four in-laws, and nine grandchildren. Seventeen college graduation ceremonies, five of which were for advanced degrees. Jim notes that, “The degrees are pretty orange, as eight of those degrees are from Oklahoma State.”

Jim was proposed as a Sunriser by Paul Brauer and joined Sunrise in December, 2006. He has served in a variety of board and committee roles and has been a key element in our LobsterFest fundraising success.

Jim will share with us an insider's view of the key elements that reflect the changes, successes and challenges impacting modern farming.

Rotarian of the Day



Following five years of teaching Public Policy & Government at the college level, **Barney Tonquest** and his family moved to Tulsa where he embarked on a 35-year bank marketing career. During the latter years of that career, Barney became a Sunrise Rotarian.

Since joining Sunrise in 2004, Barney has had the opportunity to meet our Service above Self criteria at both Tulsa Sunrise and in District 6110. Among the many roles played at the Club level, Barney has served Sunrise as a Community Service Director, Funriser Editor, Club President (twice), and is serving as Sunrise Foundation President during the 2021-22 Rotary year. One of his most gratifying Sunriser experiences has been as a member of the LobsterFest Committee, which has helped raise a significant portion of the \$750,000 Sunrise has used to support Autism causes and other worthy non-profits.

For District 6110, Barney has served in several capacities including as a member of the District Conference Committee, Co-chair of the Simplified Grants Committee 2010-12, Assistant Governor 2011-14 and Chair, District Grants Committee 2013-17. Barney appreciated most his role in placing more than \$500,000 in matching grants in a majority of the communities comprising District 6110. In addition to Rotary, Barney has served as a member of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Tulsa Finance Council and the Board of Governors, Catholic Charities' Porta Caeli Hospice.

Barney earned a B.A. from St. Benedict's College in Kansas and his M.A. from Kansas State University. Ellie (also a Sunrise Rotarian) and Barney met on a blind date while in college and married 55 years ago. They are blessed with six kids, thirteen grandkids and twin great-granddaughters, most living in the Tulsa area.

Your Part

• **Save that date and tell your friends: Appetizers for Autism will take place on August 11.**

• **Every Rotarian Every Year** – Please go on MyRotary or see Linda before June 30 and make your \$25 contribution so that we can have 100% Club participation.

Upcoming Events

- **Change of Ducks will be June 30.**
- **Lip-Synch Battle for Autism** - Pathways Adult Learning Center - one of the exhibitors at the

PieceWalk - is holding a lip-synch battle on June 19. Admission is \$5 per person and the event will be held at the Kirk in the Hills Evangelical Presbyterian Church south of Tulsa.

Ongoing Events

- **Third Saturday of every month: Jenks Food Bank.**
- **First Saturday each month: Tulsa Hills Youth Ranch**, 9 - 11 or 12. Lunch sometimes.
- **3rd Thursday of each month: Sunrise Rotary Foundation Board** monthly meetings via Zoom at 6:30P. Zoom only until further notice.

Help Create Funriser Content by Jessy Poole

Kit and Jessy paired up to bring you this content week in and week out for nearly 50 editions now. Kit's always on top of his end with formatting and distributing the newsletter, including comics, and putting out e-blasts. Jessy is spread thin and this leads to numerous gaps in reporting. For example, no update on the pot o' gold has made it in for some time...Birthdays, anniversaries, hello!?! We need some guest editors or beat reporters for the upcoming Rotary year. Rotary projects are always more fun, and function better the more people get involved. Reach out to Jessy if you're interested. We can talk about a once-monthly commitment that would keep members well informed without asking the world of any one person. Jessyipoole@gmail.com .

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Birthdays: Rich (6/8)

Wedding Anniversaries: Scott Cyrus (Janell) and Jeff Roberts (Laurel) both have 28th wedding anniversaries on June 11

Jim Milburn and Cathey almost have as many years together as Scott, Jeff and their wives **COMBINED** – 50 years of bliss on June 10!

Rotary Anniversaries: None this week

Words to Live By

The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but the ability to keep your mouth shut in any language is priceless.

Laffs R Us

I envy people who grow old gracefully. They age like fine wine.

I'm aging like milk: Getting sour and chunky.

Another

Only in math problems can you buy 60 cantaloupe melons and no one asks, "What the heck is wrong with you?"

And...

**You know how they
throw the ball into the
crowd after they win
the game? That's not
allowed in bowling.
I know that now.**

More?

GOOD DENTAL HYGIENE IS IMPORTANT FOR
THE WHOLE FAMILY ... BUT FLOSSING YOUR
CAT WAS PROBABLY A BAD IDEA.



Last One



2021-22 Sunrise Club Board Members

President: Bill Bowen
Vice Pres: Martha Lowe
Past President: Barbara Smallwood
Secretary: Bill Lawson
Treasurer: Mike Bibby
Sergeant-at-Arms: David McCollum
Dir, Club Service: Megan Korn
Dir, Community Service: Janet Cheek
Dir, Vocational Service: Martha Lowe
Dir, Int'l Service: Gifty Benson and
Komi Folly
Dir, Youth Service: Laura Garrett
Other Club Appointees:
RI Foundation Chair Linda Ortega
Webmaster Carolyn McGhay
Secretary Attendance Kit Sprague
Membership: Jessy Poole
Funriser Editor: Jessy Poole
Board Meetings: (unless chg notified)
2ndTue ea month, 6P, Marriott &
virtual

2021-22 Sunrise Foundation Board Members

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Secretary: Don Wasson
Treasurer: Joy Ondracek
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Board Member: Mark Welty
Club Liaison: Matha Lowe
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