

Today's Program

The purpose of a club assembly is for open communication regarding the goals for the year and an update to see if they are being met. It give the club at large an opportunity to have direct input into the functioning of the club and projects in which they are involved.

President Casey felt with the recent visitation of the District Governor, we would benefit from holding this Rotary year's first assembly.

Among the things that we will discuss today are how to increase and retain membership and receive the Presidential Citation for this Rotary year by concentrating on the health and welfare of children, providing for literacy programs, and water issues, whether here or international.

Notice: Starting this week, a limited number of bulletins will be printed. President Casey has asked that in addition to the bulletin being posted on our website, that each member receive a copy via email. It will allow members to read the bulletin at your leisure and, if you desire, you may print one for your files.

New Member - Carter Mayberry - Benson Physician will be inducted today

Proposed Member - Chris Snodgrass, Horizon Moving Systems.

Transferred Member - Rick Shelley, Horizon Moving Systems to Sierra Vista Noon Club

Membership

Look around you - at work, in your neighborhood, at church, among your friends. You surely know someone who would make a good Rotarian. Ask him or her to a meeting, perhaps, to be a speaker. Offer to pick them up and escort them to one of our meetings, Follow up. Often when asked why someone is not a Rotarian, their answer is "I've never been asked".

RI President - Dong Kurn Lee District Governor Tom Tilton
Assistant Governor - Mike Davidson

Irma Bernal (Bill) PHF*	Real Estate
Ann Cook (Norm)PP+3 PHF+3 *	Website Design
Norm Cook (Ann) PDG PP PHF*	Active Excused
Rosemarie Detweiler (Guenter)*	Purchasing
Casey Garan (Carol)*	Defense Investigator
Judy Herring (Jerry) PP, PHF*	Credit Union Retired
Bob Lujan (Charlene)PHF *	Boy Scouts
Mahlon MacKenzie (Margene)PP PHF +2	Ranching
Gary Maluf (Carole)* PP	Laboratory
Walt Lloyd* (Monte)	Legal - Retired
Ron McKinnon (Madeleine), PP	Hospital Adm.
Glenn Nichols (Laddie), PP, PHF *	Law Enforcement
Shelley Seifert	Honorary
Peggy Scott (John), PHF*	Librarian
Rick Shelley (Dana)*	Moving Systems
Mary Vaughn	Hardware
Linda Willard (George)	Credit Union
Jerry & Joy Hodges	Benson Rotary Winter visitors

PP (Past President); PDG (Past District Governor); PHF (Paul Harris Fellow)
+, +2, +3 (Multiple Paul Harris Fellow); * Paul Harris Sustaining Member
Due to the posting of the bulletin on the internet, to protect your privacy, we will no longer include the phone numbers and email addresses in the bulletin. This information is on the Members Only page of the club website.

Club Opening

July 23 - Pledge - Rosemarie Detweiler
Invocation - Ann Cook
4 Way Test - Gary Maluf
July 30 -Pledge - Irma Bernal
Invocation - Casey Garan
4 Way Test - Judy Herring
Aug 6 Pledge - Bob Lujan
Invocation - Mahlon MacKenzie
4 Way Test - Gary Maluf
Aug 13 Pledge - Ron McKinnon
Invocation - Glenn Nichols
4 Way Test - Peggy Scott

If you are unable to attend the meeting to which you are assigned, you are responsible for providing a replacement.



Rotary Club of Benson Cactus Points

Club address: P.O. Box 711 Since 1944
Benson, AZ 85602 Club #1247
520-720-4419

Meeting at Benson Women's Club
each Wednesday at Noon

July 16, 2008
Today's Program -
Club Assembly

Pledge - Ron McKinnon
Invocation - Mahlon MacKenzie
4 Way Test - Mary Vaughn



The FOUR- WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Is it BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Club Officers	Service Directors
President - Casey Garan	Club - Glenn Nichols
Vice President - Rick Shelley	Community - Ron McKinnon
Secretary - Peggy Scott	Vocational - Mary Vaughn
Treasurer - Judy Herring	International - Mahlon MacKenzie
Sergeant-at-Arms - Bob Lujan	Foundation - Judy Herring
BR Charity Foundation	Historian/Programs - Gary Maluf
President - Bob Lujan	Bulletin Editor/Webmaster
Secretary - Peggy Scott	Ann Cook
Treasurer - Judy Herring	

Upcoming Programs & Events

July 23 Margaret Higgins - The Haven & Casas de Palmas
July 30 Jennie McCarty - SEABHS
August 6 Don Alton, Mayor of Tombstone

Announcements:

Can we be thinking ahead to the Mardi Gras already. You bet. Never too early. Please be thinking of a place to hold it. The Presbyterian Church has been suggested as a possibility. A meeting date will be announced shortly. It will be sometime in August. All members can consider themselves on the committee. Your input is important.

President Casey has designated the \$1000 from the Paul Harris board to be donated toward the Polio Matching Grant. Let's finish off the board soon. It will be money well-spent. \$2 per square. Today's fines will be \$2.

We are well on our way to completing the things necessary for the 501(C)3. Our thanks to Casey, Bob, Peggy and Judy. When we receive donations to the Benson Charitable Foundation, it will tax deductible.

HELP WANTED: Recruiters for qualified applicants for the Group Study Exchange to South Africa, Namibia, Angola. Full information on District 9350 and criteria for applicants can be found on www.rotaryd5500.org/gse_to_africa.htm

We Celebrate

Wedding Anniversary

Peggy & John - July 1

Rotary Anniversary

Norm - 30 years

Glenn - 8 years (Benson)

Guests Last Week - Assistant Governor Mike Davidson, Carol Garan, Mario Gonzales (S.V. South), Dr. Carter Mayberry, Norm & Ann's daughter, Cindy and husband, Jim Speir.

Those absent last week - Irma, Gary, Peggy and Linda.

Rotary Eclubs - rotaryclubone.org

rotaryclubsouthwest.org

Rotary International - www.rotary.org

Rotary District 5500 - www.rotaryd5500.org

Benson Rotary - www.rotaryd5500.org/Benson

Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- I. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for Service;
- II. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- III. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
- IV. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Benson Rotary's Early Years

by Gary Maluf, Historian

Time to move on in to 1954. We have 3 surviving bulletins for this year. The February 16 bulletin had Alfred Zook, Science Teacher at Benson High School, as the program for the evening. Mr. Zook brought color slides of the Tournament of Roses Parade and various slides of sights in Mexico. Benson High School continues to appear in the pages of our history during these years.

The Club had an Assembly earlier in the month that was well attended. The Club discussed erecting sturdy signs at the east and west entrances to town upon which Rotary and other such club signs could be displayed to traffic. They also discussed the addition of a sign in the lobby of the Horseshoe announcing Rotary's meetings. Finally, the Club discussed fellowship, membership, the Rotarian magazine, and the Cactus Points bulletin. The boys were not letting any grass grow under their feet. Each member was encouraged to submit entries to the bulletin. We shall see how well this happened as we continue through the year.

A brief article about Vernon Meyers Jr. concluded the February bulletin. Vernon was the Club's youngest member, born in 1930, he was 24 at the time. He had graduated from the U of A in 1952 where he was on the debating team and a member of the ATO fraternity. Vernon came to Benson after a brief stint in real estate, joining the Benson Rotary Club in 1953. Clarence Post, who wrote the article, observed that Vernon was looking for his Ann. The Club wished him well in this regard. Benson was probably a good place to find an Ann in those days. Perhaps a former member of the Future Homemakers of America.

Last Week's program

District Governor Tom Tilton and 1st Lady, Maria, made their official visit. The gathering actually started an hour before the regular meeting as DG Tom convened with the board members to get a feel for our club and its projects for the upcoming year. He was quite impressed with all that we'd accomplished in the past and encouraged us to expand our activities in the future. DG Tom and Maria had attended our first two Mardi Gras and stated that they are looking forward to coming to the next one. He emphasized that his function, and that of Assistant Governor Mike Davidson was to be resource people, not to tell us how to run our club.

Then after the meal came the official speech. Unlike many of the speeches given by governors in the past, this one was dotted with humor and lightheartedness - at the beginning. Even after the serious portion, the time flew and all would have sat for more. DG Tom emphasized finishing the job of eradicating polio by contributing toward the \$100 million matching grant by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, providing literacy in our own community, as well as helping with child health and welfare. An exciting project for District 5500 this year is to "Adopt a Village" in Niger. We can read all about it on the district website. President Casey presented DG Tom with a check for \$100 made out to The Rotary Foundation to be used as the governor wishes. 1st Lady Maria received a hand-painted porcelain box inscribed as a reminder of their visit to the Benson Rotary. Michael Wright, our personal chef, prepared an Italian menu, starting with bruchetta made with home grown tomatoes and basil. The meal was to honor Maria, who has an Italian background and Tom who lead a GSE team to Italy in 1996.

Some people dream of success, while others wake up and work hard