

Today's Program

Matt McKinnon, a Benson Arizona graduate has been in the service and hospitality industry for 13 years. He has managed small 20 table restaurants up to some of the highest volume night clubs in the United States.

Matt moved back to Tucson in 2000 from the mid-west to take a General Manager position with the Metro Restaurant Group. In November of 2005 Matt and his partners opened Sam Hughes Place Championship Dining a successful high end sports themed restaurant. Matt opened his second restaurant Shlomo & Vito's New York Delicatessen with partner Dean Greenberg in December of 2007. A third Concept is scheduled for Late 2008.

This 33 year old restaurateur has built a career on providing excellent service standards, and putting himself on the guest's side of the table to ensure a dining experience that he would expect himself.

The only function of economic forecasting is to make astrology look respectable.
- John Kenneth Galbraith

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

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| 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 |
| Mary Holly * | Hardware |
| Bob Lujan (Charlene)PHF * | Boy Scouts |
| Mahlon MacKenzie (Margene)PP PHF +2* | Ranching |
| Gary Maluf (Carole)* PP | Laboratory |
| Walt Lloyd* (Monte) | Legal - Retired |
| Carter Mayberry (Faye)* | Family medical practice |
| Ron McKinnon (Madeleine), PP* | Hospital Adm. |
| Glenn Nichols (Laddie), PP, PHF * | Law Enforcement |
| Shelley Seifert | Honorary |
| Peggy Scott (John), PHF* | Librarian |
| Chris Snodgrass* | Moving systems |
| 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

Club Opening

- Oct 22 Pledge - Bob Lujan
Invocation - Mahlon MacKenzie
4 Way Test - Linda Willard
- Oct 29 Pledge - Gary Maluf
Invocation - Glenn Nichols
4 Way Test - Ron McKinnon
- Nov 5 Pledge - Chris Snodgrass
Invocation - Ann Cook
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

October 15, 2008

Matt McKinnon

Overview of the Restaurant Business

- Pledge - Casey Garan
- Invocation - Rosemarie Detweiler
- 4 Way Test - Judy Herring



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

- President - Casey Garan
- Vice President - Rick Shelley
- Secretary - Peggy Scott
- Treasurer - Judy Herring
- Sergeant-at-Arms - Bob Lujan

BR Charity Foundation

- President - Bob Lujan
- Secretary - Peggy Scott
- Treasurer - Judy Herring

Service Directors

- Club - Glenn Nichols
- Community - Ron McKinnon
- Vocational - Mary Vaughn
- International - Mahlon MacKenzie
- Foundation - Judy Herring
- Historian/Programs - Gary Maluf

Bulletin Editor/Webmaster
Ann Cook

Upcoming Programs & Events

- Oct. 15 - Matt McKinnon - Overview of restaurant business
Oct. 22 - Lynn-Perez-Hewett - Executive Director - Friends of Kartchner Caverns
Oct. 29 - Pamela Singh - Coalition for Solutions through Higher Education
Nov. 5 - John "Rob" Roberts - IT Benson Hospital RHITA (Rural Health Information Tech Agency)

Announcements:

GREAT NEWS - Last Sunday's Car Show during the Butterfield Stage Days was quite a success - grossed \$664.00 successful. There were 39 cars in the show - and car owners saying that they would like to take a spot for next year.

DJ John really added such joyful sounds to the show with music from the 40s, 50s and 60s. Rotarians Mahlon, Glenn, Linda, Bob and Judy spent their time working the area. Many thanks to them and Rachel Matthews from Long Realty. The car show, being a first-time event for us, has proved that it will be worth doing again.



Turkey Shoot Golf Tournament
November 22, 2008
Turquoise Hills Golf Center
Needed: Sponsors & Golfers

We Celebrate

Wedding Anniversary

Rosemarie & Gunter Detweiler - Oct. 10

Those absent last week: Irma. Almost had 100% last week. A goal for us to shoot for!

Reminder - Makeups can be done online. It take a half hour.
Rotary eClub of Southwest USA, District 5510

www.rotaryclubssouthwest.org

Rotary eClub one - www.rotaryclubone.org

Rotary District 5500 website - www.rotaryd5500.org

Benson Rotary website - 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

Last week we concluded the year 1956, and coverage of District Governor Bryant Whiting's letter to our club for July of that year. This week we will harvest the historical interest from his August letter. As I mentioned last week, DG Bryant's letters are most interesting. Rotary would have been well served had every DG documented their tenure in such a fashion.

In August of 1956, DG Bryant was still new in his role, and his enthusiasm shows. He was traveling from town to town through the district, meeting new Rotarians and carrying the message of International President, Paul Lang. Bryant was already soliciting names from each club for the next year's DG. Ballots were being scheduled to go out in November.

The previous DG, Mr. John English, had been assigned to District 166 as Rotary Information Counselor. He was to meet at the old Westward Ho Hotel in Phoenix with all district Presidents and Secretaries, along with the DG, to discuss issues related to classification, information officers, and Rotaralia in general. A stag party was scheduled for that evening, so this was to be a big day for Rotarians. I am not sure what was meant by a stag party at that time, but I am sure that it was harmless. Bryant spoke highly of John, urging all to attend.

Since the month was August, many members were on vacation with their families. DG Bryant encouraged all members to use the International Directory to locate Rotary Clubs for make ups. At that time the directory cost 50 cents. As always, attendance was very important to Rotary. Bryant's visit to our Club was scheduled for 25 September and the Board was getting ready to meet in anticipation. Monthly reports from individual clubs were due on the 10th of each month. Several had been late so Bryant was ready to institute a policy of calling collect to retrieve the information.

Last Week's Program

Marty Riley, for Operation Christmas Child, was once again with us, complete with shoe boxes to pass out. As she explained, the rural town usually do not have a shoe store so she provides them. Again we saw a brief film about the program and the children in impoverished areas that receive the boxes filled with goodies.

She suggested for the boxes - especially hygiene e.g. soap (put in baggie), comb, toothbrush and paste. They would love to have some clothing - T-shirt, shoes. And, of course, toys - crayon and paper, slinky, school supplies. All would love some hard candy. More suggestions are included in the folder that comes in the box.

The boxes are due by November 15. They can be turned in to Rosemarie.

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Naturally, he hoped he would not have to do so.

Around the time of this letter, DG Bryant had visited some 15 clubs. He was well imbued with the Rotary spirit, and looking forward to RI President Paul Lang's visit to Arizona in February of the following year. From the level of detail and enthusiasm in Bryant's letters, I'd say he was going to be well prepared for that visit.

There are 10 ^ 11 stars in the galaxy. That used to be a huge number. But it's only a hundred billion. It's less than the national deficit! We used to call them astronomical numbers. Now we should call them economical numbers.