

The Sundial



Meeting Happenings



Karny Stefan, Chief Development Officer at Make-A-Wish Arizona and Linda Pauling, mother of Chris, the recipient of the first ever wish joined us on March 2. They shared some interesting statistics on the impact of granting a wish and how Make-A-Wish Arizona is the founding chapter of the organization, which internationally grants the wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions.

Linda shared the moving story of when in 1980; she knew her son, Chris, was losing his battle with Leukemia so she set out to give him a day to remember. Arizona DPS made Chris a Highway Patrolman for the day. Out of this day, Make-A-Wish was founded and Linda has remained involved ever since.

Kiwanis of Carefree recently helped



to grant the wish of Nola. Her wish was to have a playground in her backyard. Find out more, donate or refer a child at www.arizona.wish.org.

On March 9, globally renowned photographer, Marilyn Szabo, presented "At Work in Arizona", a collection of historic and current photographs depicting Arizona's economic and commercial history over the past century. The collection focuses on the region's industrial history including scenes of Arizona's early mining industry.

She shared stories of riding in planes, sitting on top of ladders and run-ins with law enforcement and border patrol to get the perfect shot. Marilyn's photographs have appeared in dozens of solo and group exhibitions in galleries and museums.



UPCOMING EVENTS

4/6/2016

Richard Andersen, Spirit of the Desert Retreat Center, "Renewing Your Passion to Serve"
Menu: Cheeseburger with fries

4/13/2016

TSgt. Philip Stacey, Luke Air Force Base Mission
Menu: Pork loin, mashed potato & green beans

4/20/2016

Noah Kendrick, Kendrick Wealth Management Group
Menu: Beer battered cod, coleslaw & french fries

4/27/2016

Ryan Hurley (Rose Law Group), J.P. Holyoak & Carlos Alfaro, How the Medical Marijuana Initiative Helps Families
Menu: Spaghetti with meatball & garlic bread

5/4/2016

Josh Levine, J. Levine Auctions
Menu: Beef taco salad with ranch dressing

5/11/2016

Scholarship Committee Award Presentation
Menu: Beer battered cod, coleslaw & french fries

5/18/2016

Veteran's Heritage Project
Menu: Chicken parmigiana with pasta

5/25/2016

Paula Pedene, Phoenix VA Whistle Blower
Menu: SW pasta with broiled chicken & garlic bread

6/1/2016

Menu: Cheeseburger with fries

6/8/2016

Terrific Kids and Bringing Up Grades (BUG) Presentation
Menu: Beer battered cod, coleslaw & french fries

Marilyn showed us stunning historic and scenic photographs that are part of Arizona's rich history. There was an interesting photo of our state capitol surrounded by mud and one of Arizona's first congresswomen, Isabella Greenway. The infamous Durant's Restaurant and ASU's Old Main are also featured. Other great photos she shared was when Charles Lindbergh came to Tucson to open the first city run airport and when the Concorde landed at Sky Harbor International Airport. Find out more at www.next100years.org/at-work-in-arizona.



J. Richard Zecher enjoyed corned beef and cabbage with us on March 16. Dr. J. Richard Zecher is the founder, principal, strategist and risk manager of P/E Investments, LLC. He shared the pros and cons of several economic theories - the economic cost of volunteer or drafted military, the law of unintended consequences and theory of diversification - and several interesting stories from his impressive career.

Richard answered our economic questions and shared stories of when he worked with Nobel Memorial Prize winning economist, Milton Freedman, when he was hired by David Rockefeller to analyze the Reagan tax cuts and when he landed in Kuwait to negotiate a deal for Chase Investment Group the morning after Kuwait was invaded by the Iraqis. Learn more at www.peinvestments.com.

Lieutenant Governor Bill Anderson also joined us on March 16. Bill updated us about how our division received the largest number of awards



at a recent division conference. One of those awards, the highly coveted 5-Star Award, was earned by Kiwanis of Carefree.



On March 23, Kathleen Ackerman of Finding Ties That Bind spoke to us on adding family history to your genealogy research. Family history is different from genealogy. It adds the context, life stories and understanding to what was happening when your relatives were living.

Kathleen shared with us a very interesting story of how she found out about the sister of her great grandparents.

She described how to look for clues such as dates, cities, eye color, other names and marriages within letters and other places. Kathleen likes to start with census records since they can give you more clues into which vital records (births, deaths, marriages) to check for more information. She shared that marriage records are often easier to find than birth and death records. Plus, marriage certificates offer additional clues with the names of the witnesses to the wedding.

For more information on researching your own family history, contact Kathleen at www.findingtiesthatbind.com or (952) 237-7121.

Several future scientists who won awards at the Kiwanis Science Fair joined us on March 30. Each future scientist described their award winning project, their hypothesis and the findings after conducting their research and experiments. Thank you to Elaine Adrian, Paula Scully and the rest of the Science Fair Committee and volunteers



1st Place Winners

Sebastian Cuc
(Best in Show 7 - 12)
7th - Sonoran Trails Middle School

Austin Stasik
(Best in Show K-6)
4th - Horseshoe Trails

Shane Watters
(Jim Walborn Award 7 - 12)
10th - Cactus Shadows High School

Callan Young
(Jim Walborn Award K-6)
5th - Quality Interactive Montessori

Clara Hill
6th - Annunciation Catholic School

Trent Hammer
7th - Annunciation Catholic School

Zoe Meyers
6th - Desert Sun Academy

Pio Tumibay
K - Dynamite Montessori

Benjamin Sidoti
4th - Horseshoe Trails

Spencer Wilson
6th - Horseshoe Trails

Maya King & Keagan Neff
7th - Sonoran Trails Middle School

2nd Place Winners

Madelyn Khoury
6th - Annunciation Catholic School

Maximus Johnson
4th - Black Mountain Elementary

Chloe Tarkany
6th - Desert Sun Academy

Kayla Olszewski
6th - Desert Sun Academy

Lake Nelson
5th - Dynamite Montessori

Payton Miller
4th - Dynamite Montessori

Pio Tumibay
K - Dynamite Montessori

Caroline Paradies
5th - Quality Interactive Montessori

William Laguna
3rd - Quality Interactive Montessori

Madelyn Khoury
6th - Annunciation

Maximus Johnson
4th - Black Mountain Elementary

3rd Place Winners

Elijah Axberg
4th - Black Mountain Elementary

Addison Bush
6th - Desert Sun Academy

Anna Lucia De Simone, Ally Clow & Paige Melton
5th - Desert Sun Academy

Vidya Vadarevu
1st - Dynamite Montessori

Mattea Lingen & Danielle DuPloy
4th - Foothills Academy Elementary Prep

Nia Sogaard
6th - Horseshoe Trails

Isabella Viavattene
5th - Quality Interactive Montessori

Elijah Axberg
4th - Black Mountain Elementary

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who made the Kiwanis Science Fair a spectacular community event.



Jennifer Phillips, a past Key Club member and Kiwanis of Carefree Scholarship winner, was recently featured in AZ Attorney Magazine for the work she did pro bono. After graduating from Cactus Shadow High School, Jennifer completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Arizona and attended law school at USC. For a short time after graduation, she became a member of our club while beginning her career as a litigation associate at Snell & Wilmer. Later, she joined Kiwanis Downtown Scottsdale young professionals and has since become president of that club. (Jennifer is pictured with fiancé Mike Yee, a former Key Club member and Cactus Shadows Alumni.)

Success: Marketplace Mixer

Where were you on March 15 between 4-6pm? Quite a few of you were at the Marketplace Mixer. There were nearly 90 members, guests and Marketplace volunteers who came and enjoyed the food catered by Bistro.

Everyone was entertained by singer Kathy Bradford and our master of ceremony and host for the evening, Pete Carpenter. Attendees heard from Marketplace general manager Craig Lemke who told us about how the Marketplace works and how everyone can help out. We also heard from Gene Orrico on where the money brought in from the Marketplace goes.

We expect our membership to grow from the mixer with the nine membership applications given to potential members. And a big thank you to Linda Fleischer and Dave Bell for their assistance in coordinating the event.

Help Wanted - Salvation Army

Kiwanis of Carefree is looking for a bell ringer manager and volunteer to help Jim Shaw.

To manage volunteers and sign up people to ring bells in our area. We start in November to sign up people at our luncheon meetings and at some local churches.

Coordinate collection of monies at our kettle sites. We ring at 12 spots on the 2nd and 3rd weekends in December.

Jim Shaw will be available to help cover these positions.

Kiwanis has been doing this for over 35 years in our communities - Cave Creek, Carefree, and North Phoenix. The money we raise stays right here in our area to help people (kids). None of the funds go anywhere else. Please contact Jim Shaw at (480) 595-9828.

Board of Directors Vote Encourages Membership

To encourage new members, our Board of Directors voted in a new rule for guests you bring to the Wednesday lunch meeting. The first time you bring a prospective member to a Wednesday lunch meeting as your guest, you do not pay. Just fill out the lunch sheet with, "No charge Prospective Member." The second time the same person comes to a lunch meeting, you do not pay IF the prospective member has their membership application and to submit. Fill out the lunch sheet with, "Second Lunch No Charge Prospect Submitting App and Check." The third time they come to a lunch meeting they pay for their own lunch since they are now a member. If you bring a guest to hear a special speaker or such, you pay for your guest's lunch. As always, for relatives you pay for their lunch.

Check Presentation

We presented a \$3,750 check to Jim



Shaw for the Salvation Army on March 2. Kiwanis of Carefree send kids, ages 7-13, to their summer camp that wouldn't normally be able to go. We also provide volunteers to support the Salvation Army's Bell Ringing program over the holidays.

Foothills Academy College Prep Shared STEM Program

Foothills Academy College Prep has designed and implemented an innovation, all inclusive STEM program this year at the elementary school. STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics that integrates these four areas of study into a series of lessons and activities that inspire students to challenge themselves in designing solutions to real world problems. Dr. Jane White, principal, and Alicia Roberts, STEM director, were invited to present a video highlighting the STEM program at the March 16th Kiwanis Club meeting. The video showcased students using mini circuits "LittleBits" to create basic electrical systems or intricate series of circuits to design a robotic hand or innovative machine. Students demonstrated how quickly they are becoming proficient in computer programming and coding because of the foundation their learning experiences provided. They were also shown using their knowledge of technology to build and create 3-dimensional designs printed on the STEM Lab 3D printer. Creativity, science, technology, engineering and math are tools students used to design a better bridge and figure out ways to use resources on hand to make a water treatment models. Foothills Academy plans to build on this year's successful model by extending STEM into the middle and high school.





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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

11/11/2016
Veterans Day in Carefree

12/2-12/4/2016
64th Annual Christmas Pageant



Have you noticed the outdoor construction at the Marketplace? The planter area in the front is being converted into additional parking spaces. More concrete was poured at the entrance and around the back for donation drop-offs.

The Marketplace is still open so make sure to bring in your donations and take some time to shop for those unique items you won't find anywhere else.

Kiwanis Splash Park - It's Open!

Grab your sun block and towel. The Kiwanis Splash Park opened on April 1. Our Key Club members were the first to use the new splash park. Local residents and visitors can now stay cool after they dine and shop in Carefree.



Committee Updates from February 2016

The Aktion Club had one pizza/business meeting and is busy preparing for the Cave Creek Parade on March 19th. They are also preparing to sell water at the Kiwanis Pancake breakfast on April 2.

The Scully Center had ceramics, cooking, gardening and painting on each Tuesday and Thursday in February. Sixteen of our Scully people went on a field trip to a production of Pinocchio at the Valley Youth Theater on Friday, Feb. 12. The Scully Center acquired two adorable baby goats, which were named Pepper and Chili. Pepper and Chili are a big hit and will begin training to walk on a leash for parades.

The Funds Request Committee approved and presented a \$2,500 check to the Cave Creek Museum for their "Learn How" project. The board of directors approved a request for \$3,750 to the Carefree Salvation Army Service unit for tuition and supplies to send 15 kids to the Salvation Army Ponderosa summer camp. A \$1,900 check was presented to Jubilate Performing Arts to purchase equipment and provide scholarships. A \$1,075.10 check was presented to the CCUSD K-12 art teachers for the Hover Cam

project. The Funds Request Committee is processing requests from CCUSD (Gina Durbin) for \$10,000.00 in scholarships to the Preschool Program and one from Annunciation Elementary school for \$1,811 to provide a reading assistance program to underprivileged children.

It is great to see our members attend each week, especially when they bring guests.

