

Today **May 23, 2017**

Program: *Ray Whitley – The Horse Soldiers*
Greeter: Bill Miller
Invocator: Eugene Friesen

Next Meeting **May 30, 2017**

Program: *Mark Hart – Mountain Sheep and More*
Greeter: Dick Roberts
Invocator: Paul Loomans

Last Meeting **May 16, 2017**

Visiting Rotarians – last sojourner

Will Files Homer, AK

Guests –

Melanie Hampton AZ Cow Belles

Birthdays / Anniversaries –

26-May **Reppenhagen Julie** birthday

Make-ups –

Karl Leebrick Valle Verde
Dick Roberts Valle Verde
Eugene Friesen Valle Verde
Joyce Finkelstein 4 I-19 Clubs

Raffle Update from May 16

Pot: \$1352
Cards: 23
Club: \$2742



Paul Harris / Wine / Raffle Winners

April	Becky Roberts	
May	Ken Frahm, Jerry Kriebel, Michael Pease	
Card Drawing	Michael Pease	7♠
Wine	Richard Moll	

Thanks from the Kids



Bill McCreery brought us a very large poster from the kids at Los Niños del Valle, thanking us for our reading program.

Members of the Club read to the kids and then give them a book to keep. The program is possible through a matching grant from District 5500.

Science Talk

Michael Pease gave the Club 5 minutes or so of science, this time on “selfish” genes and mass extinction, using short videos from Scientific American’s Instant Egg-head series. It turns out genes also select for cooperation, and while current carbon emissions resemble the Permian Extinction Event of 250 million years ago, such events are rare, only 6 or so in the history of our planet, and evidence for one now is not conclusive. **Michael** is also Club Secretary.



Coming Events

- **Induction of Officers**, June 27.
- **Flags & Potluck**, July 4
- **District Membership Seminar**, August 29
- **I-19 Mixer**, November.

Arizona Cow Belles



Carole Wagner, who was raised on a dairy farm in upstate New York, started her own ranch with 6 cows

and a bull 22 years ago. She’s also been a nurse practitioner with the VA for 30 years.

As President of the Cow Belles, she told us their role is supporting the beef industry. There is very little private land in Arizona. Instead there are leases and allotments controlled by the state and the BLM, who determine how many cows are allowed per sections (640 A). She said only 1.2% of the US population is now in the ag business, contrasted with the predominance of small family farms a century ago, and even those now involved are graying, with an average age near 60. The industry tries to provide what the consumers are looking for, which now is grass-fed, “organic” beef, free from vaccines and pesticides. The result is tough and stringy. The plant near Buckeye processes 1200 head per day, ships hides to China, and even saves the heart membranes for human heart surgery. She also talked about Arizona produce and brought samples. We grow melons and lettuce in the Yuma area (lettuce follows melons on the same ground), sweet corn around Dewey, and carrots near Phoenix. The danger now is that housing developments are competing with agriculture for the limited water supply.

The Rotary Club of Green Valley

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General Information

- **Sheryl Christenson**, District 5500 Governor (RC of Yuma Sunrise)
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Make-up Locations

On-line - www.rotaryclubone.org
www.recswwusa.org

Wednesday @ 6:45 AM - Rio Rico Rotary Club,
Rio Rico Golf Club - I-19 Exit 17 West

Wednesday @ 12:00 noon – Tucson Rotary
Club, Double Tree Hotel, Alvernon

Thursday @ 6:45 AM - Valle Verde Rotary Club,
GV Community Church - Esperanza at La
Cañada

Thursday @ 7:00 AM – Tucson Sunrise Rotary
Club, Arizona Inn

Thursday @ Noon, Nogales Rotary Club,
Americana Hotel

Friday @ 8:00 AM - Tubac Rotary Club, Tubac
Country Club



Club President Andy Heideman

*Gosh darn it, you've
got to be kind.*

The Desert Wheel



RI President – John F. Germ
Rotary Club of Chattanooga, TN,
USA

The Rotary Club of Green Valley
meets on Tuesdays @ 11:30 AM at the
Arizona Family Restaurant
80 W Esperanza Blvd
Green Valley, AZ

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