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Rotary Club of Silver City

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Schedule: Future Meetings, Service Projects, and Special Events

Date: 2017	What's Happening
December 5	**12:00 pm: Susan Clair – Honey Bees**
December 9	**6:30 pm: Holiday Dinner at Bear Mountain Lodge**
December 12	• **12:00 pm: Paul Moore – Hawks** • **1:15 pm – Club Board Meeting**

Meeting Notes

President Joe Heidrick rang the bell at 12:10 pm. **Suzanne Kavanagh** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance; **Tom Bates** gave the Invocation; and **Leslie Bush** led us in the recitation of the Four- Way Test.

Honorary Rotarian

Bill Harrison joined us again.

Rosie Higgs *Bill Harrison*

Visiting Rotarians

Linda Telaak *Merritt Helfferich*

Merritt Helfferich from Fairbanks, Alaska, reported that the weather in Fairbanks was awful today, and it was really good to be in Silver City.

Guests

Joe Heidrick introduced Judge Tim Aldrich of the 6th Judicial District as today's speaker.

Avery Crump *Judge Aldrich*

Joe also introduced Avery Crump, the Court Monitor working with Judge Aldrich.

Madge Slavec, Joe Heidrick

Representing the Auction Beneficiary organizations were:

Madge Slavec for the Gila Valley Library, Amy Wagner for the Silver City Gospel Mission, and Debra Frasca for Life Quest.

Amy Wagner *Debra Frasca*

Kathy Eaton introduced her daughter-in-law, Tania Creaser.

Jae'Lin *Maggie Veeder*

Suzanne Kavanagh *Tania* *Kathy Eaton*

Maggie Veeder introduced her daughter Jae'Lin once again.

Rotary Announcements

Joe Heidrick made the following announcements:

- Our annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 9, at the Bear Mountain Lodge. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 6:30 pm (including a free glass of champagne), and dinner will be at 7:00. A sign-up sheet was circulated once again.
- The Volunteer Hours reporting sheet was also circulated again.
- We will be dark on December 26 and January 2 because the University will be closed for the holidays on those days.
- A brief board huddle was to take place directly after lunch.

Sunny Kellerman reminded us of the Cruise Raffle. Most of us have received booklets of 10 raffle tickets, and we are asked to purchase or sell the tickets at $10 each. Whether you buy the tickets yourself or sell them, you will get credit toward the Every Rotarian Every Year program and toward a Paul Harris fellowship. If you have not yet received your tickets, please see **Sunny**. Checks should be made out to The Rotary Foundation.

Special Presentation

Left to right: Merrit Helfferich, Madge Slavec, Debra Frasca, Amy Wagner, Joe Heidrick

Joe Heidrick asked the representatives of the Auction Beneficiaries to come up and presented checks in the amount of $9,700 to each beneficiary organization. Madge Slavec (Gila Valley Library), Debra Frasca (Life Quest), and Amy Wager (SC Gospel Mission) each thanked the club for this significant contribution to their respective projects and for all the hard work that went into making the Auction so successful.

Happy Dollars

Kathy Eaton thanked everyone for their support and expressions of concern during her recent illness.

Peter Falley told us that his wife Pat was celebrating her 80th birthday today.

Sunny Kellerman told us that **Kate Watson**'s club anniversary and **Sunny**'s 69th birthday were coming up this week.

Asa Barnes told us that this was his last meeting with us, since he and Jean are moving to Georgia to be closer to their family.

Program

Judge Tim Aldrich gave a lively talk, telling us about his background, his work, and his judicial philosophy. He grew up in a small resort town in Minnesota but eventually came to New Mexico, where he worked in various capacities, most recently as a prosecutor in Alamogordo and as deputy DA in Lordsburg. He was appointed to the district judgeship in the 6th Judicial District in May. He has yet to decide if he wants to run to be confirmed by the voters for that seat in the 2018 election.

At the moment, he is handling only civil cases, but that is likely to change in the future. He told us that he considers it important for judges to have empathy and understanding and

to establish a certain rapport with all who come before them. In answer to questions, he talked about the opioid epidemic and his sense that we need to do more to ensure that addiction is treated properly and that people who are incarcerated get help during and after their period of incarceration.

Raffle

Joe Heidrick was the winner of the raffle.

Attendance

We had 21 of 33 active members in attendance, or 61%.

Gallery

Suzanne Kavanagh *Tania Creaser*

Judge Tim Aldrich

Suzanne Kavanagh *Debra Frasca (Life Quest)*

Bill Harrison *Tom Bates*