

Service Above Self

THE SILVER SAGE

BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SILVER CITY

Rotary
Club of Silver City



June 27, 2017

Check out our Website

www.silvercityrotary.org

Visit & Like us on Facebook



Officers and Directors

President:	Suzanne Kavanagh
President Elect:	Joe Heidrick
Secretary/Treasurer:	Linda Telaak
Immediate Past President:	Leslie Bush
Club Service:	Anita Larson
Community Service:	Peter Herzberg
International Service:	Jim Callender
New Generations:	Francisca Reyes
Vocational Service:	Wendy Spurgeon
Sgt-at-Arms:	Jim Tindall
Senior Advisor:	Peter Falley



Schedule: Future Meetings, Service Projects and Special Events

Date	What's Happening
June 29, 2107	S. Kavanagh Demotion Party – 5:30 pm
July 4, 2017	Parade Float and Booth in Gough Park
July 11, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Trent Perry – KarateSCRF Board Meeting – 1:15 pm
July 18, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Club Assembly – AuctionClub Board Mtg. – 1:15 pm
July 25, 2017	Silver High Students on National History Competition

Meeting Notes

President Suzanne Kavanagh rang the bell at 12:10 pm. **Jim Reynolds** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance; **Tom Bates** gave the Invocation; and **William Knuffinen** led us in the recitation of the Four-Way Test (but with Rotarians facing away from the 4-way Test Banner).

Visiting Rotarian



Alfredo Ontiveros of the Chandler, AZ, Rotary Club joined us, and bade us farewell. He is returning to Chandler upon completion of his stint as Interim CEO of Gila Regional Medical Center.

Honorary Rotarian

Bill Harrison joined us once again.

Guests

Kathy Eaton introduced her husband Art.



Sunny Kellerman introduced the Goss family:



Shirley and Ray Goss

Asia Goss (left) and her friend Sarah Stephans



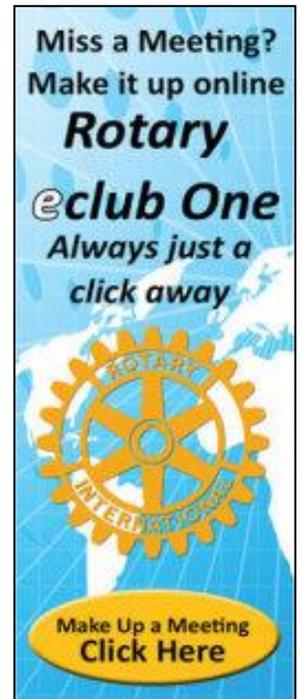
and Salianna Goss, seen here with **Kate Watson** (left).

Salianna was actually introduced as our prospective outgoing Rotary Youth Exchange student in 2018-19



Also with us were our 2017 Rotary Scholarship winner Raelynn A. Botello (center) and her parents, Mary and Troy McDonald.

Today's guest speaker was Simon Sotello of the Gospel Mission. His picture is included in the Program section below. Since Simon had to leave for another engagement, **Suzanne Kavanagh** asked him to give his presentation at the beginning of the meeting.



Program



Simon Sotello of the Silver City Gospel Mission spoke to us about the program that will be a beneficiary of the upcoming Rotary Auction.

Sierra House is a place for homeless women and their children to have a transitional home for a period of time in an effort to give them a stable environment, allow them to apply for jobs, and become productive members of the community. The program is designed to accommodate clients for a period of 90 to 120 days, during which time permanent housing will be found for them, and they will have opportunities to get back into society.

In some cases, the program also admits women who have gone through Drug Court and who might wind up in jail if they don't have a place to stay. For such individuals, Sierra House in effect takes the place of a halfway house.

The program can accommodate up to 9 women at the present time. However, if any of them come with children, the number would be reduced. Admission to Sierra House is on a first-come-first-served basis. There is not a waiting list.

The plan is for the auction proceeds to be used for expenses to support the women during their stay in Sierra House to help them in the transition to independent housing.

Scholarship Presentation



Suzanne Kavanagh presented the scholarship to Raelynn Botello. The scholarship of \$1,500 will be paid to Raelynn's WNMU account in two installments, one now and the second half in the spring. Raelynn told us that she will be majoring in Education and that she plans to teach at the elementary school level. Her mother later told us that Raelynn is slated to receive her Associate's degree in December, having taken a significant amount of college-level course work while still at Silver High School.

Rotary Announcements

Sunny Kellerman reminded us that **Suzanne's** Demotion Party is scheduled for this Thursday starting at 5:30 pm at **Sunny's** home. She circulated a sign-up sheet and told us that additional food and drink will be welcome. The theme is Italian, and everyone is urged to wear pink and black if possible.

Suzanne told us that additional volunteers are needed to staff the 4th of July tent, and she circulated a sign-up sheet.

Joe Heidrick told us that the Hospital is making available one of its ambulance bays for our 4th of July float so that it can be kept dry once it's decorated. **Joe Kellerman** has worked on the design for the float. Volunteers for decorating the float will meet on Sunday morning for that purpose.

Joe also told us that he had hoped that **Bill Harrison** would ride on our float, but it turns out that **Bill** and other veterans will be the marshals for the parade.

Suzanne announced that the Silver City Rotary Foundation board would meet directly after the meeting.

Kathy Eaton bragged that her Auction Team (the Missionaries) had brought in \$1,425 in auction items during the past week.

Non-Rotary Announcements

Tom Bates told us that the Palomas quilt project is progressing and that he is ready to take payments for quilts previously ordered. Each quilt will be \$40.

Happy Dollars

William Knuttinen told us that he is embarking on a project with his father to see a home game in each major league ball park, this being a major item on his father's bucket list.

Alfredo Ontiveros told us that his daughter will be going to Turkey in the fall to take a job as a kindergarten teacher. One of his sons is also overseas teaching in Spain. The other son has taken a different path and is working as an accountant.

Anita Larson was happy to announce that she will be going to Alabama on July 6th to welcome the birth of her first grandson.

Sunny Kellerman was proud to announce that after substantial effort, she has finally gotten her driver's license in her new name.

Paul Harris Awards

Suzanne presented a Paul Harris award to **Anita Larson**

and a Paul Harris + 4 award to **Peter Falley**.



Final Comments

Salianna Goss spoke briefly about her excitement at the possibility of becoming a Rotary Youth Exchange student next year. She would like to go to France but will be happy to go wherever the program sends her.

Suzanne noted that this was her last meeting as president, and she thanked the club for the privilege of serving in that capacity and for all the support she had received during the year. She gave a particular thanks to **Joe Heidrick** for filling in so ably during her period of illness.

Raffle

Sallianna Goss won \$20 in the Raffle.

Attendance

We had 17 of 29 active members were in attendance, or 59%.