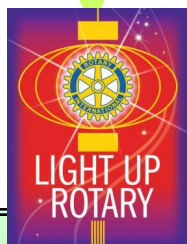


# WEST SIDE STORY

SEPTEMBER 25, 2014

**P.O. Box 35010 Phoenix, AZ 85069  
www.phoenixwestrotary.org**



**Attendance: 9-18-14  
16 Members  
4 Guests**

**How do YOU plan to  
Light Up Rotary this  
year?**

### The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Say or Do.

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to ALL CONCERNED?
- Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to ALL CONCERNED?

### Rotarian Code of Conduct

1. Act with integrity & high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world.
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.
5. Not seek special business or professional advantages from other Rotarians.

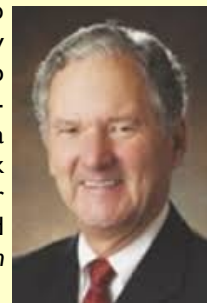
## GARY DORRIS: THE BASIC LINCOLN

Bob gave the prayer, Wilma led the pledge and Wade the 4-Way Test. Two future Rotarians visited today—Travis Jack, sponsored by Rusty and Michael Harrison sponsored by Gunther. Christian collected lots of Happy Bucks. Of note, Mike thanked those who helped daughter Beth be top seller of 46 cases of cookie dough and PDG Ron announced his granddaughter is leaving for a year in Africa. Rusty reminded all of the Rotary Leadership Institute at the Crescent in October, that we have three new membership applications in the works and North Canyon Interact has asked us to sponsor their group. **NOTE: A \$1 "I'm Sorry" fine will be assessed for each meeting missed "to let us know how much you missed us."** You can avoid the fine by "making up." Staci detailed the Brown Bag next week at the Arizona Humane Society. Our furry friends need gently used bath towels and/or paper towels. RSVP to Staci.

Wilma administered the second "Pop Quiz." Results will be reviewed at the October 2 meeting. You can "ace the test" by **reading the weekly bulletin, gaining basic information every Rotarian should know!**

Rusty introduced Gary Dorris, a 40-year Rotarian, who served as president of his club in

Spokane and is currently a member of the Scottsdale Rotary Club where his daughter recently completed her term as club president.. A former Captain in the Air force, he is a retired president of a bank holding company and author of the recently released book, "Abraham Lincoln—An Uncommon, Common Man"

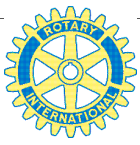


Gary enjoys talking with Rotary because it is like having a conversation with friends. He gives several talks on Lincoln but likes to "reintroduce Lincoln" talking about the "Basic Lincoln." Although Lincoln was a prolific writer of letters and speeches—all handwritten—Lincoln never wrote his own memoirs. He was reluctant to discuss himself because he thought his past was not compelling. After examining originals of thousands of Lincoln documents, Gary indicated that many stories about Lincoln were exaggerated and speculation often became the truth. Gary introduced questions about several areas of speculation on which books about Lincoln have been written. He listed a series of questions which he answered at the end of his talk.

Gary indicated that Lincoln was fully human and so made mistakes, but achieved greatness. He was good, faithful and magnanimous, always  
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### PHOENIX WEST ROTARY OFFICERS/DIRECTORS 2014-15

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Delegate @ Large	Charlie Stevenson	Invocation	Bob Dawson	
Sgt/Arms	Dominic Rae	Done in a Day	Staci Glass	



## MEMBERS & CLASSIFICATIONS WHO'S WHO IN PHOENIX WEST

<b>John Angelo</b>	Residential Real Estate
<b>Wilma Basnett Emerson</b>	Elementary Ed/Supt.
<b>Gunther Bauer</b>	Office Equipment
<b>John Bauermeister</b>	Third Party Logistics
<b>Richard Bookspan</b>	Law/Estate Planning
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<b>Bob Dawson</b>	Senior Active
<b>Gary Drummond</b>	Attorney-Real Estate
<b>Foster, Wade</b>	Healthcare
<b>Glass Staci</b>	Director of Development
<b>Trish Hosking</b>	Telephone Hardware Sales
<b>Christian Lehr</b>	Collections
<b>Peter Mahigian</b>	Music Educator
<b>John McBride</b>	Investment Advisor
<b>Erich Moreno</b>	Investments

<b>John Norris</b>	Health Care Adm.
<b>Sandy Petersen</b>	Marketing
<b>Rusty Pile</b>	Advertising, Graphic Design
<b>Zahra Plagens</b>	Residential Behavioral Health
<b>Dominic Rae</b>	General Contracting/Roofing
<b>Marge Raskin</b>	Jewelry/Specialty Sales
<b>Ron Roderique</b>	Bank Marketing
<b>David Scheur</b>	Investment Advisor
<b>Charlie Stevenson</b>	Retail Tires & Auto
<b>Mike Tanner</b>	Auto Body Repair

### Honorary Members

<b>Glen Bowlus</b>	<b>Don Catt</b>	<b>Mel Haugan</b>	<b>Mary Moreno</b>
<b>Bill Campbell</b>	<b>Rita Hadley</b>	<b>Ralph Huston</b>	
<b>Dean Neal</b>	<b>Dave Hadley</b>	<b>Gene Mills</b>	

## THE ABCs OF ROTARY

### ROOM 711—The BIRTHPLACE of ROTARY!

Did you know that the number 711 has a very special significance for Rotary? Room 711 of the old Unity Building, formerly located at 127 North Dearborn street in downtown Chicago, was the **birthplace of Rotary**. It was in that historic room which was the office of engineer Gus Loehr, where Paul Harris first met with several friends to discuss his new idea of a club for professionals and businessmen. The rest is history.

After extensive research a few Chicago Rotarians restored the room to its 1905 authenticity. For years, Room 711 was preserved as a miniature Rotary museum by members of the Paul Harris 711 Club, which provided funds for leasing, mainte-



Wilma at RI Headquarters in 2005.



nance, and preservation. In 1989, when the Unity Building was about to be torn down, 711 club members carefully dismantled the landmark room and placed its contents in storage. There it stayed until 1994, when Room 711 was **recreated and located at RI World Headquarters in Evanston, where this piece of Rotary's heritage is preserved permanently**. The statute of Paul Harris is close by.

## ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK

### JOHN MCBRIDE



We celebrate our first **Rotarian of the Week**, past club president, **John McBride**, currently program chair and this year's recipient of the Presidential Club Service Award.

John was born in Omaha, NE but grew up in Lawrenceville, GA, a small city NE of Atlanta. John has been in the valley 25 years, coming here for college and because his folks were transferred here through AT&T. He is an Independent Investment Advisor with FSC Securities. He helps folks manage money; and also ensures they are on track regarding retirement, estate planning, and tax affairs.

John has been married to Tiffany for 5 years—"Yahoo!," John says. His pride and joy is his only child Molly Grace, a student at Ironwood High School. Here are some fun facts about John:

- What makes you smile?** Seeing Molly grow into a beautiful lady. [And she certainly is that!]
- What inspires you?** Effort! People that make the most of what they have.
- What three words best describe you?** Get it done. [He was first to return his questionnaire!]
- What is on your bucket list?** My PG13 bucket list? Climbing Mt Kilimanjaro and/or the Camino de Santiago (Way of St James).
- What do you think is important for success?** Effort and not being afraid to fail.
- What do you value most in others?** Authenticity.
- What is your personal motto?** "The difference between excellence and mediocrity is thirty minutes a day."

# When you Miss Rotary, You Miss Out. Make Up At These Local D-5490 Rotary Clubs

e-Club of AZ [arizonaclub.org](http://arizonaclub.org)

<b>TUE:</b>	<b>Estrella</b> (Goodyear)	Estrella Community College, 12:00PM
	<b>Glendale Kachina</b>	Arrowhead Country Club, Glendale, 12:10PM
	<b>North Phoenix,</b>	Hilton Garden Inn, Central & Clarendon, 12:10PM
	<b>Sun City</b>	Grand Canyon Univi-Banner Boswell Campus, 12:00PM
<b>WED:</b>	<b>Glendale West,</b>	McFadden's Restaurant, Westgate, 6:00PM
	<b>Peoria North</b>	Arizona Broadway Theater, Peoria 6:00PM
<b>THUR:</b>	<b>Buckeye</b>	Millslone 1st, 4th/5th Thursdays; La Placita 2nd/3rd Thursday, 12:00
	<b>Goodyear White Tanks</b>	Hampton Inn & Suites 7:00AM
	<b>Sun City Del Sol</b>	Menke's Sun City Room, 7AM
	<b>Surprise</b>	Links Neighborhood Grill at Sun Village, First Thurs of Mnth., 6:00PM
<b>FRI:</b>	<b>Anthem</b>	Ironwood Country Club, 41551 N. Anthem Hills Dr. 7:15 AM
	<b>Litchfield Park</b>	Red's Grill at the Wigwam. 7:00AM
	<b>Peoria</b>	Peoria Center for the Performing Arts, 9355 W. Peoria, 7:00AM
	<b>Phoenix Rotary 100</b>	Phoenix Country Club, 7th St & Thomas, 12:10PM
	<b>Sun City West</b>	SCW Foundation, Bldg., Del Webb Room 11:30 AM

## DON'T BE SORRY...ATTEND ROTARY

### ATTENDANCE TIPS

- Put Rotary on your calendar! **Thursdays 12:00**
- Attend at least 50% of our club meetings
- Make up when you miss a meeting. You have two weeks before and two weeks after a missed meeting to make up.
- Make up at a local club OR check out an e-club.

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## Missing a fellow Rotarian? Recruiting a NEW Rotarian?

Call 'em!  
Pick 'em up!  
Bring 'em to Rotary!

## GARY DORRIS: THE BASIC LINCOLN — (Continued from Page 1)

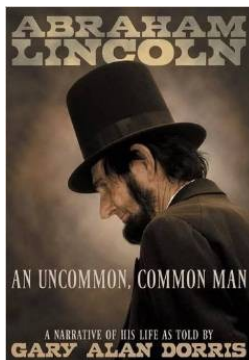
on the quest for self improvement. Lincoln was unassuming but ambitious. He strove to become a successful and admired lawyer and successful politician. Lincoln was honest but wily. Someone once said “he will impoverish the Bar if he doesn’t start charging more.” His cards were always face up; with Lincoln a deal said was a deal done. While honest, Gary indicated he deliberately misled Congress.

Lincoln was humorous but occasionally despondent—while there are no pictures of a laughing or even smiling Lincoln, he laughed out loud often and could laugh at his own stories. Lincoln said, “Without humor, I would surely die.” His friends sometimes worried about him but there were only two major melancholy episodes in his life—the first when losing a close friend and in 1841 when he was concerned about his law practice and his political career. While he mourned the loss of his two sons, Lincoln never neglected his duties—he always carried on.

Lincoln thought slavery was evil but condoned it until late in his life. “As I would not be slave, so I would not be a master,” he said. He felt that we had no right to interfere with slavery where slavery was permitted by the constitution. He was opposed to President Polk’s “unconstitutional use of War power” but then assumed even greater war Power when he became president.

To answer the questions raised early in his talk, Gary shared the following perspective:

*Was Lincoln clinically depressed?* No—depression is a specific medical condition that is evidenced by long-term repetitive behaviors. Those clinically depressed are unable to sustain a



normal life. As mentioned earlier, Lincoln never neglected his duties; he was always able to carry on.

**Did Lincoln subvert or save the constitution?** His major goal was to preserve the union—he preserved the constitution and tested it.

**Was Lincoln a white supremacist or racist?** No—he never racially humiliated anyone.

**Was Lincoln a great manager or autocrat?** Both—he was a good manager but took control when necessary.

**Did Lincoln set out to destroy southern culture?**

There is an entire set of books supporting this proposal, but Gary doesn’t think it is fair—Lincoln loved individual southerners—he thought slavery was evil and cessation unconstitutional.

Gary, obviously well versed on Lincoln, ended with, “Lincoln was not a perfect man, but was a perfect man for his time” which basically summed up his talk on Lincoln. Gary has donated a signed copy of his book which will be auctioned off at our spring fundraiser!



Prez Rusty and speaker Gary Dorris with a slightly different type book—*Nucklehead Ned*, to be donated in his honor to an Osborn District school.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

None listed for September

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

9/3 John and Tiffany McBride, 5 yrs.  
 9/7 Gunther and Susan Bauer, 28 yrs.  
 9/20 Bob and Martha Dawson, 62 yrs.  
 9/21 Christian and Deborah Lehr, 7 yrs.

## CLUB ANNIVERSARY

9/1/02 Margie Raskin 12 years  
 9/22/11 Sandy Petersen 3 years

## Thought for the Day

Never fear shadows. They simply mean there's a light shining somewhere nearby.

~Ruth E. Renkel



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Upcoming Meetings

- Sept. 25 Done in a Day—Arizona Humane Society
- Oct. 2 Kasten Spethmann—Angel Capital: Raising Capital for Entrepreneurs
- Oct. 9 John Angelo—Phoenix Real Estate Update
- Oct. 16 Student of the Month—Gary Drummond & Mike Tanner

### UPCOMING DISTRICT & CLUB EVENTS

- Sept 27 Ethics Seminar, Crowne Plaza—9AM-3PM**
- Oct 4 Grants Management Seminar, Sedona
- Oct 11 RLI: Rotary Leadership Institute—Sheraton Crescent 8AM-4PM
- Oct 24 World Polio Day
- Oct 25 Grants Management Seminar, Peoria 9-12  
Membership Seminar, Peoria 12:30-3PM
- Oct 30-Nov 2 USA/Mexico Friendship & Grants Seminar, Cuernavaca, MX
- Nov. 8 AZ Rotary Foundation Day, Tempe
- Jan 16-19 RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Camp Pinerock, Prescott
- March 5-7 AZ Tri District PETS

## GRINS, GIGGLES & GUFFAWS

A young man wanted to get his beautiful blonde wife something nice for their first wedding anniversary. So he decided to buy her a cell phone. He showed her the phone and explained to her all of its features. Meg was excited to receive the gift and simply adored her new phone. The next day Meg went shopping. Her phone rang and, to her astonishment, it was her husband on the other end.

"Hi Meg," he said, "how do you like your new phone?"

Meg replied, "I just love it! It's so small and your voice is clear as a bell, but there's one thing I don't understand though..."

"What's that, sweetie?" asked her husband.

"How did you know I was at Wal-Mart?"

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WIFE: "There is trouble with the car. It has water in the carburetor."

HUSBAND: "Water in the carburetor? That's ridiculous"

WIFE: "I tell you the car has water in the carburetor."

HUSBAND: "You don't even know what a carburetor is. I'll check it out. Where's the car?"

WIFE: "In the pool"

Husband and wife had a tiff. Wife called up her mom and said, "He fought with me again, Mom, I am coming to live with you."

Mom said, "No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you."

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"Harry, it's another notice from the library...."