



The Sunrises

Oct 14, 2009

Meetings 6:45 a.m. Wednesdays at Trinity United Methodist Church 3737 S. Peoria

Today's program & RoD

Willis Allen- "Are your organization's values working for you?" RoD: Andy Leithner

Upcoming Programs & RoDs

- **Oct 21 - Keith Skrzypczak**, Editor, Urban Tulsa Weekly. RoD: Kay Hays
- **Oct 28 - Julie Gustafson**- Tulsa Advocates for the Protection of Children. RoD: Jim Blackburn
- **Nov 4 - Nate Waters**, Motivational Speaker. RoD - Christopher Teel

Other Coming Events

- **10/20 - Mennonite Dinner**. Wild card makeup! Project Manager: Mike Bibby. Pay via cash or check to Mike. Carpool arrangements?
- **(Date TBA) Pig Roast** at Don Walker's. Watch for details
- **10/24 - 25 District Conference**, Rogers, AR
- **12/10 - Christmas Party**, details tba, but save the date. Wild card makeup!

Oct 7 Club Business & Announcements

- Three Club **delegates** were elected for the **Dist Conf**: Joan F, Carol O, and Barney T.
- **MSNI car raffle** tix still available. See Larry.
- We have a new supply of **Club banners**. Be sure to exchange when you visit other clubs.
- **Club Board Meeting** is Oct 19
- **Foundation Board Meeting** is on Oct 15
- **Shoes for Orphans Souls** – Kelly says every donated pair earns a raffle ticket for the Mennonite Dinner basket giveaways.
- **Help wanted** – Be sure to see the help wanted ad on the next page.

NOTE: This month only, send your announcements, events, ideas, or other items to Kit Sprague at bluedot67@sbcglobal.net or call 341-8592. Thanks.

Arts & Humanities Council - More Than You Might Think!

Our Oct 7 speaker was Ken Busby, Exec Dir and CEO of the Arts & Humanities Council of Tulsa, and he pretty well wowed the group with all the cultural events and facilities we have in the area. Some highlights:

- The Council was founded in 1961, by Tom Gilcrease. (Yes, that Gilcrease.) He also founded the Orphanage for Native Americans.
- The Council resides in Harwelden Mansion.
- They run several after school and summer youth programs, reaching 150K youth a year. They also train 300 teachers a year so that programs are brought into schools.
- Youth who participate are 3-4x as likely to excel, often in areas unrelated to the arts (e.g. math and science).
- *Promptbox* is a quarterly newsletter by "Tulsa Awards for Theatre Excellence". It lists events for 21 theatre groups!
- Tulsa Ballet's current program? Dracula! Who'd have thought?
- We have two symphonies now: Tulsa Symphony, and Signature Symphony at TCC.
- The Brady District is being improved, with several buildings being revamped to become studios.
- There are several small museums in progress, in conjunction with the Tulsa Historical Society.
- A School for Visual & Performing Arts will be coming in a few years.
- The BoK Center (ready for this?) ranked 9th in the nation and 23rd in the world for ticket sales in its first year. Wow! The Council was responsible for the placement of many art pieces in the entrance and atrium areas.
- New art coming soon in the Convention Center.

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- Here's a stat for you. ROI for dollars invested in sports vs arts. Sports ROI = 3:1. Arts ROI = 12:1. There's a message in there.
- The Council is working with the Oklahoma Jazz Hall of Fame.
- The Council is highly involved in Mayfest, and we can expect to see some vast improvements.

I for one am quite impressed with all the cultural doings around town. I had no idea so much was available. Great program!

Oversleeping will never make one's dreams come true.

**Happy Trails, John,
Until We Meet Again...**

This past Thursday, we celebrated John Hill's life at a wonderful service, produced by Joan at Freeman-Harris. Steve Care and Jack Freese spoke eloquently as always, and little did we know of John and Billie Kay Sawyer's musical talents on the violin and piano. Beautiful, and moving. Thanks folks – great job. Sunrisers, as always, pulled together to honor one of our own.

HELP WANTED

A well known civic group is looking for a weekly newsletter Editor to replace the previous one, who was recently promoted to a higher position in another office.

Job description - This group is a local Club that is part of a worldwide non-profit civic organization. The Club meets early Wednesday morning every week in the same location in Tulsa, with about 55 people in attendance. Meetings consist of breakfast, Club business and announcements, and a guest speaker. The Editor is responsible for assuring that notes of these proceedings are accurately taken at each meeting, that they are written up and presented in a semi-formal format, sent out to all Club members via email by the following Monday evening, and that adequate hard copies are made and put on the tables at that next week's meeting.

Requirements - The person fulfilling this role must:
- Assume total responsibility for making the activities described above happen punctually every week.
- "Responsibility" does not mean that all must be done personally by the Editor, but that this individual

must make it happen, utilizing other members as needed.

- While attendance at every meeting, work project, and social event is not required, this person should be able to attend 90%+ of them.
- This person should enjoy writing, and be enthusiastic in the presentation of his/her editing efforts.
- Some graphic and/or photographic abilities would be helpful, but are not essential.
- The one absolute mandatory requirement for this role is dependability. The newsletter is part of the "glue" that holds this group together, and is particularly important for those absent from a meeting. This is not a part-time, maybe skip-a-week job.

Travel - Limited, local only.

Compensation - The satisfaction of getting to know everyone in the Club, and every activity the Club is involved in. The gratitude of those in the Club who've come to appreciate the high quality and dependable work of your predecessor. The honor of filling the shoes of one John Hill, who asked for the position right after joining in 2004, and ran hard with it for five years.

How to apply - This is a limited access position. It's not on CareerBuilder or Monster.com. To apply, contact Ms. Carolyn McGhay, Club Service/HR Mgr, at 271-2881.

2009-10 Boards

Club Board

- President Joan Freeman
- Vice President Carol Orr
- Secretary Marvin Morse
- Treasurer..... Joy Ondracek
- Sergeant-at-Arms..... Marty Muck
- Past President Barney Tonquest
- Dir Club Service Carolyn McGhay
- Dir Community Service Jim Blackburn
- Dir Vocational Servic.....Randy Coffman
- Dir International Service.....Kelly Grogg

Foundation Board

- President Bill Lawson
- Vice President Phyllis Scroggs
- Treasurer..... Joy Ondracek
- Secretary David Francis
- Board Member..... Paul Brauer
- Past President Rich Orvis

There are only two lasting things we give our children. One is roots, the other is wings.