Sunriser Rotary Club of Tucson Sunrise
September 11, 2008

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Dan Breck, Genny Coleman, Rick Holland, Maria Tilton, and Eva Thompson

**Key to Symbols:**

B = Benefactor

C = Charter Member

F = Paul Harris Fellow

LOA = Leave of Absence

F+1 = 1st Paul Harris Fellow

F+2 = 2nd Paul Harris Fellow

FP = First Paul Harris Fellow

BFP = Benefactor Paul Harris Fellow

SFP = Sustaining Paul Harris Fellow

BP = Benefactor Paul Harris Fellow

CFS = Charter Fellow

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Rotary International President: Dong Kurn “D.K.” Lee

Rotary International Website: www.rotary.org

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Programs

**September 11**

M. J. Vuinovich, graduate of the Rotary Peace Fellowship

**September 18**

The Bio 5 Institute with Vicki Chandler

**September 25**

Sandy Wahl will tell us about the Trail Ride beneficiaries

Duties

**Greeters**

Sept 11 Bailey/Cowley

Sept 18 Eppihimer/Hiller

Sept 25 TBA

**Invocation/Reflection**

Sept 11 Beahen/Beenken

Sept 18 Cariseo/Contento

Sept 25 TBA

**Raffle**

Sept 11 Hollinger/Sayre

Sept 18 R. Johnson/Hammond

Sept 25 TBA

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**Club Website:** www.tucsonsunriserotary.org

**Trail Ride Website:** www.trailride.org

**Rotary E-Club One:** www.rotaryechubone.org

October 31 to November 3 2008
Featured Speaker

Jeannette Marc-Packard, Founder of the Ben’s Bells Project, told us how her day started out normally on March 29, 2002, Good Friday. Then suddenly her son, Ben, almost 3, became unconscious and moments later he died. The lives of her family changed forever.

Jeannette; her husband, Dean; and their son, Matthew, had to learn new coping skills in order to survive their tragedy. During this time they came up with the idea of Ben’s Bells. They started making them in their back yard and also found working with clay to be very therapeutic.

Because of the kindness of friends and strangers, Jeannette and her family decided to distribute the bells throughout the community, not only to encourage kindness, but to pass on that kindness.

The only way to get a Ben’s Bell is to find one or to be “belled.” Nominations for a kindness candidate can be made by logging onto www.929themountain.com and clicking on the belling icon under the “On Air” menu. A committee reads through the nominations, makes the selection, and each Friday 92.9 The Mountain radio station announces the “Bellee” and the story of his or her kindness. An article also runs in the Arizona Daily Star on Saturday. The “Bellee” receives a bell and a t-shirt.

Ben’s Bells Project is expanding to other areas such as Phoenix, New Orleans, and Virginia Tech; and last May about 300 bells were distributed throughout Portland, OR. The project is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Proceeds from the sale of miniature bells, socks, caps, bumper stickers, jerseys, and t-shirts help support it. Ben’s Bells is part of El Tour de Tucson. Participation in the tour events (run/walk, indoor biking, and outdoor biking) helps to raise funds too. The run/walk is on 9/21. The outdoor biking on a stationary bicycle, calculated in minutes instead of miles, will be on 11/15. The outdoor biking will be on 11/22. Go to www.bensbells.org if you would like more information. To make a donation, the mailing address is P. O. Box 41025, Tucson, AZ 85717. The phone number is 628-2829.

Organizations such as the Arizona prison system, IBM, and OASIS have helped make the bells. By the time of its completion, a bell will have been put together by approximately 10 people.

The studio is located at 816 E. University Blvd. in Geronimo Plaza. Studio hours are Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Fridays, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Saturdays and Sundays, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. If you would like to help paint or sculpt bell pieces, please let Claudette know. She would like to organize a group to help at Ben’s Bells.

No artistic talent required!!! Parts are all one color. ☺