

Phoenix Phiesta XXXV

Great Minds Like A Think



**Greater Phoenix Mensa
2017**

Welcome!

Greater Phoenix Mensa's Regional Gathering Phoenix Phiesta XXXV: Great Minds Like a Think

James Giunta, RG Chair

Dear Mensans,

This year we are commemorating 35 years of Greater Phoenix Mensa fellowship! Whether you've been a member here forever or you're new here, Welcome! Your Planning Committee put their brains together and came up with an eclectic program for you, and we're sure you will find something to enjoy. Mensans are rarely bored, and never for long.

Take a look at our program and read about the presenters and topics and games, and if you need a break during the busy days our Hospitality Suite will be open from early until late.

Thanks so much for being here with us. We truly want you to have a bunch of pleasant and memorable experiences at Phoenix Phiesta XXXV. Have fun, see you around!

James M. Giunta

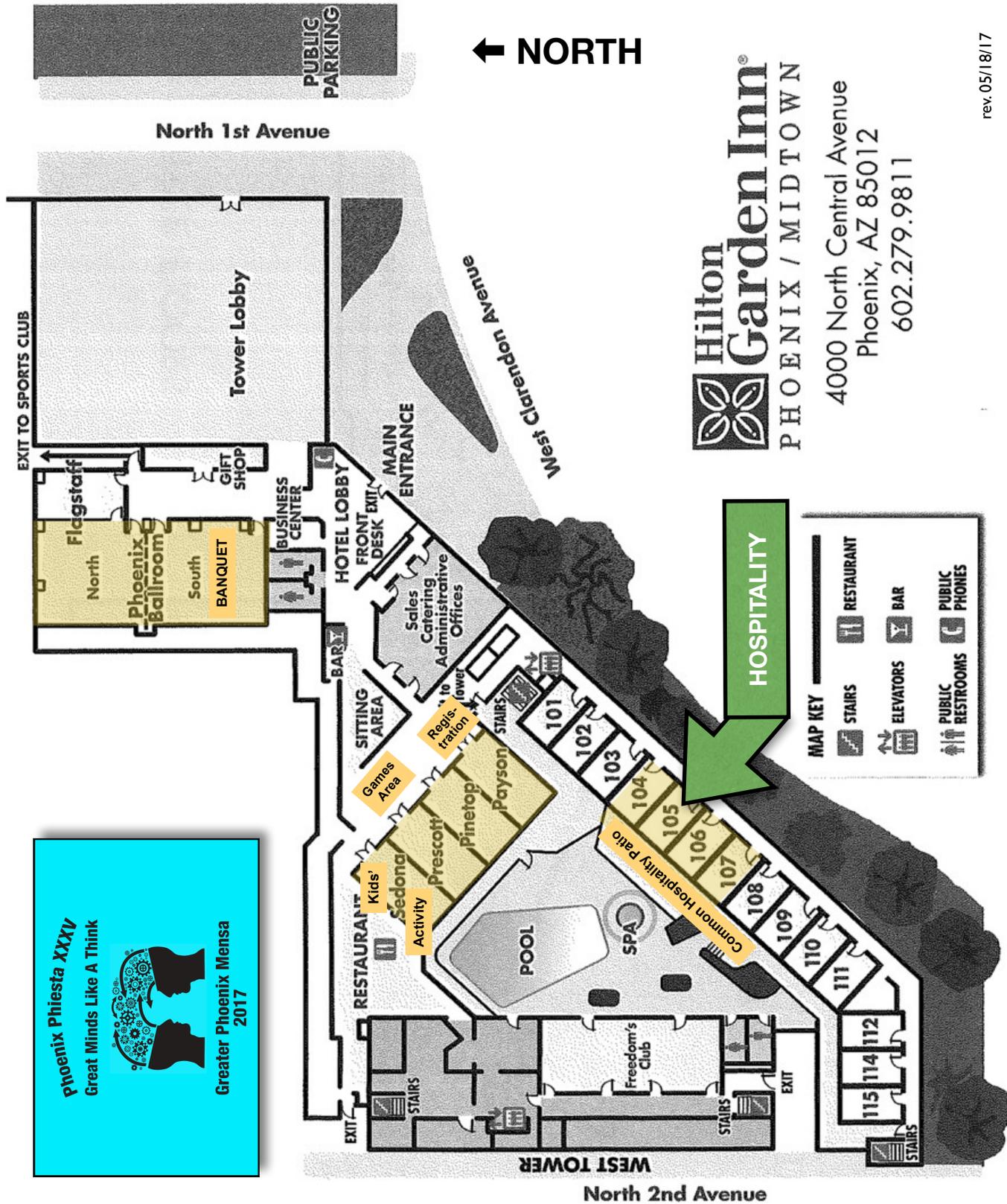
David Pivin, GPM LocSec

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our thirty-fifth regional gathering. Our volunteers have put together a great list of programs for your edification, entertainment, and enjoyment! Wyatt Earp returns as our banquet entertainment with his Doc Holliday show. ENJOY!

Dave

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE ICE BREAKERS (pg 8)

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MAP KEY

- STAIRS
- RESTAURANT
- ELEVATORS
- BAR
- PUBLIC RESTROOMS
- PUBLIC PHONES

Schedule of Events

Thursday

Time	Hospitality	Hotel Foyer	Meeting Room
2:00pm – 6:00pm	Pat Hull Memorial Thanksgiving Feast - Room 105 Plus Common Hospitality Patio		
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Hospitality Meet 'n Greet - Hospitality Room		
5:00pm – 7:00pm		Registration Open - Hotel Foyer in front of Meeting Rooms	
5:00pm – 11:59pm	Hospitality Rooms Open - Room 105 Plus Common Hospitality Patio	Games and Puzzles - Foyer	
6:00pm – 7:30pm		Apples to Apples	
7:00pm – 8:00pm	Open Microphone		
7:30pm – 9:00pm		Mexican Train	

Note that the meeting rooms are in alphabetical order starting from the left, just as they are listed in the columns of the following schedules.

Friday Morning

		Payson	Pinetop	Prescott
9:00am - 12:00pm	Kids' Track - Sedona Room			
7:00am - 9:00am	Hospitality Breakfast - Room 105 Plus Hospitality Patio			
7:00am - 11:30pm	Games and Puzzles Foyer			
8:00am - 10:00am	Registration Open - Hotel Foyer in front of Meeting Rooms			
9:00am - 9:50am		Jim Delton - Highway Friction...What keeps your car from sliding off the road? - pg 13	Jim Giunta - Hypnotic Techniques and the Art of Persuasion and Influence - pg 16	Laura Orsini - Kickstart Your Creativity - pg 22
10:00am - 10:50am		Dr. John DenBoer - Disrupting Dementia - pg 14		Loren North - Striking a Balance Between Sustainability and Style - pg 21
11:00am - 11:50am		David Medansky - Thinking Oneself Thin - pg 20	Kebba Buckley Button - The Energetics of Your Space for the Energy and Productivity You Need - pg 12	Sean Sweat - Thunderdome comes to Phoenix - pg 26
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Hospitality & Kids' Track Lunch - Room 105 Plus Common Hospitality Patio			

Friday Afternoon

		Payson	Pinetop	Prescott
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Games Foyer			
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Registration Open - Hotel Foyer in front of Meeting Rooms			
2:00pm – 2:50pm	Kids' Track to 5:00pm Sedona Room	Spelling Bee - Payson Room	Matt Lehrman - How to Crack the Devotion Code - pg 19	Cynthia Beck - The Neurology of Hypnosis - pg 11
3:00pm – 3:50pm		Sharon Winters - China Stories - pg 27	Will Hepburn - 10 Investment Scams and How to Avoid Them - pg 18	Otto Siegel - Hypersexuality and Physical Intelligence - pg 25
4:00pm – 4:50pm		Joe Gruberman - Hey, You Stole My Idea!! (Writing for Hollywood)	Carnelli	Dave Pivin - Casa Grande and the Corona Project - pg 22
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Hospitality Dinner - Room 105 Plus Common Hospitality Patio			
5:30pm – 6:30pm	Registration Open - Foyer outside Meeting Rooms			
6:30pm – 8:00pm	Games - Foyer			
7:30pm – 8:30pm			Joke Off	
9:00pm – 10:30pm	Texas Hold 'Em Tournament - Foyer			

Saturday Morning

		Payson	Pinetop	Prescott
9:00am-12:00pm	Kids' Track - Sedona Room			
7:00am – 9:00am	Hospitality Breakfast - Room 105 Plus Hospitality Patio			
7:00am – 11:30pm	Puzzles and games - Foyer			
8:00am – 10:00am	Registration Open - Hotel Foyer in front of Meeting Rooms			
9:00am – 9:50am		Miles Beccia - Sizzle into Your Sixties - and Beyond - pg 10	Niranjan Vasireddy - Doing Good for Good Business - The Rise of Conscious Leadership - pg 26	TENTATIVE: AG '19 Exploratory.
10:00am – 10:50am		Silver Rose - The Power of the Socratic Method to Win Friends & Influence People - pg 24	Jan Krulick - More than Meets the Eye - pg 20	David Bezanson, Ph.D. - NUKES: RISKS, GLOBAL ABOLITION, AND MEDITATION - pg 12
11:00am – 11:50am		Deeann Griebel - Social Security- the rest of the story!! - pg 17	Sasso and Hoffman - Tai Chi History and Health Benefits - pg 25	Name That Tune
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Hospitality & Kids' Track Lunch - Room 105 Plus Common Hospitality Patio			

Saturday Afternoon

		Payson	Pinetop	Prescott
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Games - Foyer			
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Registration Open - Hotel Foyer in front of Meeting Rooms	Mensa Admission Testing		
2:00pm - 5:00pm	Kids' Track			
2:00pm – 2:50pm	Games - Foyer	Testing (cont.)	Foreign Language Spelling Bee	Rick Goeld - How A 50 Year Old Class Photo Inspired A Book - pg 16
3:00pm – 3:50pm		Testing (Cont.)	David Wong - RVC9	
4:00pm – 4:50pm	Games - Foyer	Alex Vrenios - Amateur Radio Astronomy - pg 27	Dave Pivin - My Adventures in Genealogy - pg 22	Mike Johnson, Jim Delton - The Mobius Strip – a Hands and Minds-on Scientific Experience - pg 19 & 13
5:30pm – 6:30pm	Registration Open - Foyer outside Meeting Rooms			
6:00pm – 8:00pm	Banquet & Entertainment - Wyatt Earp IS Doc Holliday - Phoenix Room - pg 15			

Sunday -

Payson				
7:00am – 9:00am	Hospitality Breakfast - Room 105 Plus Hospitality Patio			
9:00am – 10:00am		Awards & Closing Ceremonies		

Ice Breaker Rules

THE CARD GAME: Here's your chance to meet your other "half" right here and now in person. Have you ever wondered who would be a great match for yourself? Wait no longer...your time has come!

One half of a playing card is in your name-tag packet. The other half is with another RG registrant, so look around and say "hello" to everyone until you find your matching half!

When you do meet, both of you should sign each card half, then tape them together and drop the united pair into the owl jar on the registration desk where pens and tape will be waiting.

Great (or not so much) Prizes await you both during the drawing after the Saturday night banquet. Two winners at once with this drawing! Remember, you must share equally.

THE MAPS: The maps are in the main meeting area.

The idea is to first place the yellow colored map pin on your birthplace. (Who remembers the yellow map pins from joining Mensa?)

Then, stick the blue pins on places in the world where you have either lived or worked.

The red pins are for those wonderful vacation destinations overseas where you enjoyed life and had some great adventures.

The fun part is seeing "WHERE IN THE WORLD" have we all been!

Hospitality Schedule

Hospitality lives in Room 105 and on the patio outside. Typically, we open at 7am and stay open until the wee hours. Last one out please turn out the lights and lock the door.

Munchies Any Time

Coffee, hot water for tea, sodas, beer and wine all day.

Friday -

Breakfast - Continental breakfast 7am±

Lunch - Pizza of assorted varieties 12 Noon

Dinner - Fried, roast and BBQ chicken, assorted sides 5pm

Saturday -

Breakfast - Continental Breakfast 7am±

Lunch - Submarines of several flavors, sides. 12 Noon

Dinner - Hospitality closes 6pm, reopens after Banquet

Sunday -

Breakfast - Must Go Meal 7am±

Kids' Track

Schedule: 9am-12am, Lunch, 2pm-5pm Friday and Saturday.

Bodies Transport Great Minds

This year the Kids' Track Program will focus on connecting the body and mind. Sometimes it can be a struggle for students to get out of one's head, which can actually impede genius thinking and creativity. Using fun creative games, strategies, and structured activities, gifted youth of all ages will work to connect their body and mind in ways that facilitate their genius.

Programs & Speakers



Miles Beccia had a sudden halt to his teenage athletic potential in Boston when at 14 he was struck by a car, breaking both legs. After spending three months recovering, he found himself frustrated in his efforts to regain his strength and conditioning so he could achieve his goal of playing college sports. Without a coach to guide him, Miles immersed himself in books, classes, and practice to discover how to rebuild his body.

He developed the physical conditioning necessary for success in collegiate football and track & field after mastering Olympic lifting, power lifting, sports conditioning, bodybuilding, martial arts, Yoga, Pilates, and many other training systems.

The results of his education and experience is a life free from physical discomfort, excess weight, poor muscle tone, limited range of motion, poor circulation, weak respiratory system, or poor diet. He taught himself how to thrive and now teaches others to use nutrition and fitness to do the same. His success and expertise in coaching and mentoring thousand of clients over

the last two decades have become well known, and he is now dedicated to changing the course of fitness and health concepts with his innovative, organized programs.

Sizzle into Your Sixties - and Beyond

9:00 AM to 9:50 AM Saturday, November 25th in Payson Rm

True or false? As the calendar years pass, we lose muscle mass, get out of shape, and generally become more sluggish. The answer is BOTH, because what happens to you as you age is up to YOU! It's never too late to feel great, become active again, have more (and better) sex. Chronic conditions like diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and osteoporosis can be arrested and corrected with the right nutrition and fitness plan. Learn the nutrition and exercise secrets that will help you reverse the aging process so that you can get up, get out, and live the best years of your life.



Cynthia Beck has been a Certified Clinical Transpersonal Hypnotherapist for more than 15 years. A gifted communicator, she helps clients make wanted changes in a safe and healing atmosphere. She uses integrated hypnotherapy techniques such as guided imagery; progressive relaxation and positive suggestions to help clients in reach emotional, physical and spiritual well-being. Above all, she teaches clients techniques they can use for a lifetime, so they do not become therapist dependent.

Cynthia is a graduate of the Transpersonal Hypnotherapy Institute in Nederland, Colorado where she studied with renowned Master Hypnotherapist, Yukio Hasegawa. She also studied with Marcia Wieder, CEO of Dream University and coach to Jack Canfield, to acquire her Dream Coach Certification. She is uniquely qualified to assist individuals to identify their purpose, remove road blocks and achieve their dreams. She holds a Doctor of Divinity from the Universal Life

Church giving her the full confidentiality of the confessional. She graduated from the University of Colorado, Boulder with a degree in Communications.

In addition, Cynthia has passionately studied a wide variety of psychological and spiritual modalities including spiritual direction, transcendental meditation, walking meditation, Christian mysticism, Buddhist meditation, Hindu traditions, Ericksonian hypnotherapy, neurolinguistic programming energy healing and brain science. She also has extensive experience helping people with 12 step programs.

Her personal experience as a business woman, single parent, caregiver of ailing parents and personal recovery from chronic illness, gives her the depth and perspective needed to help you move from where you are to where you dream of being.

The Neurology of Hypnosis - How relaxation and visualization work in the brain

2:00 PM to 2:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Learn the anatomy and power of relaxation states New brain research is now providing a understanding of the brain's anatomy, neural chemistry and neuropath ways and how delta and theta consciousness states are a powerful in combating anxiety, depression, pain and physical conditions.

Master hypnotist, Cynthia Beck explores the latest science on the brain's ability to heal and rewire itself and provide information unknown to the five senses. The workshop will establish a working definition of consciousness based on brain function, examine recent evidence of the military's continued use of extra sensory perception and illustrate how participants can utilize brain wave states to create positive changes and focus.

A short demonstration of how hypnotherapy can completely alter moods, increase confidence and improve concentration will conclude the lecture. Participants are assured to leave enlightened, educated and relaxed.



David Bezanson, Ph.D. is a retired clinical psychologist and neuropsychologist who worked at UCSF and an interdisciplinary clinic in Palo Alto. He volunteers on 4 environmental committees, including 3 in the Sierra Club, and the Security Committee of Physicians for Social Responsibility. The objective of PSR is global nuclear disarmament to improve public health, international security, and environmental resilience. He also administers intelligence testing for Mensa. His current hobbies include blogging: www.meditationonwheels.org/blog. His book, entitled *Meditation: Happiness, Wellness, and Self-knowing: Now* was published in 2016. Beginning in June 2017, his series entitled “Nuclear Weaponry is Obsolescent” was

published in *Intelligencer* - the monthly newsletter of SF Regional Mensa.

Nukes, Risk, Global Abolition, Meditation

10:00 AM to 10:50 AM Saturday, November 25th in Prescott

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Learn about the environmental, public health, and political risks of nuclear weaponry. What is the empirical evidence for and against deterrence theory? See the amount of income tax you pay to maintain the USA nuke arsenal. Is M.A.D. still a valid paradigm and what is S.A.D.?

We will examine climate research corroborating M.A.D. and S.A.D. Consider the implications of 122 member nations of the U.N. voting in favor a banning nukes (while only 1 opposed the treaty) in July 2017. Investigate the fallacies of safe storage of fissile material; decontamination of failures, test sites, and meltdowns; and “green” electricity.

Explore the role of meditation in the transition to a nuke-free world. We will review the research re. meditation’s effect on empathy, compassion, and our social life. Which one of the 3 styles of meditation has been proven effective for these dependent variables?



Kebba Buckley Button passionately pursued a hydrology career, 2.8 university degrees and years working for the Army Corps of Engineers and a flood control district. At 26 she had a painful health crash. She took up meditation and energy medicine, becoming an expert in Jin Shin Jyutsu, Healing Touch, and Divine Healing. In 8 years, she had recovered. Now she has a holistic healing practice, speaks, and writes award-winning books. She is also an ordained minister. Kebba’s books teach people how to trade in their stress for energy **Discover The Secret Energized You**, find their personal peace **Peace Within, Second Edition**, and, if they are interested, get into a closer relationship with the **Divine Sacred Meditation: Embracing the Divine**.

The Energetics of Your Space for the Energy and Productivity You Need

11:00 AM to 11:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Pinetop Rm

The culture of modern life is more chaotic and overstimulating than ever. Stress, fatigue, overwhelm, and confusion are common complaints for everyone: office workers, home office professionals, couch laptop jockeys, and even those trying to be retired. This session will cover how the energetics of your workspace and personal spaces work, and how they are affecting you. We will then cover easy and interesting ways in which you can get the energetics of your space/s working for you, helping clear your mind and actually energizing you. When you have more energy, you have more health, more cheer, and better relationships. Working as a writer or software writer? More energy also means more productivity. How can you resist this session?



Jim Delton was born in 1949 in the Frigid north of New York state and transported by his Parents to warm and sunny Arizona in 1953. Mr. Delton was raised in Sunnyslope (North Central Phoenix) where he served on the Student Council of his grade school. In that capacity he shared a stage with the late Barry Goldwater, well known Arizona Conservative and Presidential Candidate. He lived in North Phoenix until 1968 when he moved to Tempe while attending ASU. There he studied Civil Engineering with an emphasis on structural engineering. Upon Graduating with a BSE from ASU in 1972 Mr. Delton joined the Arizona Highway Department, now the Arizona Department of Transportation. He spent most of his career at ADOT involved with dirt in it's many and varied forms and uses. Mr. Delton worked on a wide variety of pavement research projects throughout the state including one of only a handful of pre-stressed post-tensioned concrete highway

pavements ever built. He was also the initial ADOT construction manager for the first major multiple level freeway interchange in Arizona, the "Stack" at I-10 and I-17, the most expensive project ever awarded by the Department up to that time. For the last 8 years of his career he served as the State Materials Engineer where he was in charge of all ADOT Central and Regional Laboratory testing and all soil, pavement, and geotechnical design work. Mr Delton retired from ADOT in 2011.

Licensed as Professional Engineer in Arizona and California, Licensed Real Estate Broker, Licensed Private Pilot. Unlicensed as Skeptic, dabbler in Politics, nominal libertarian, and vintage car collector.

Highway Friction.... What keeps your car from sliding off the road?

9:00 AM to 9:50 AM Friday, November 24th in Payson Rm

Friction! How much is needed, how do we measure it, does it change with speed, what improves it and what makes it worse. Before Watergate knocked it off the front pages in the 70's it was one of the hot topics in Washington DC. This presentation covers the History of highway friction, measurement methods, requirements, changes with speed, differences between tires, and accident implications.

The Mobius Strip – a Hands and Minds-on Scientific Experience.

4:00 PM to 4:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Nobel Laureate Physicist Richard Feynman described Scientific Method as 1. Observe 2. Guess 3. Predict 4. Test. This may require the Hubble Telescope; the Hadron Collider; an Electron microscopy; X-ray diffraction; a Cloud chambers... .

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Dr. John DenBoer is a Clinical Neuropsychologist specializing in the assessment and detection of early-stage dementia. He received his internship training at VA Boston Healthcare System (Boston University School of Medicine/Harvard University) and received his postdoctoral training at Barrow Neurological Institute. He has published extensively in the area of Clinical Neuropsychology and has been an expert speaker at many local, national, and international conferences. He is the Founder, CEO, and Chief Medical Officer of SMART Brain Aging, Inc., a company designed to help prevent and intervene in mild cognitive impairment and early-stage dementia.

In the last 3 years he has become a world-renown speaker in the area of early-stage dementia detection and treatment. This has culminated in a **Netflix** documentary and corresponding book, entitled “**This is Dementia?!**”

Disrupting Dementia: Addressing Arizona's Largest Medical Problem Head On

10:00 AM to 10:50 AM Friday, November 24th in Payson Rm

This presentation will focus on utilizing cognitive intervention mechanisms to mitigate Arizona's largest medical problem: dementia. Dr. DenBoer is a national and international speaker in the area of cognitive intervention for early stage dementia.



Wyatt Earp has been portraying his famous relative in his one-man play called "Wyatt Earp: A Life on The Frontier" since 1996 which won an AriZoni award and has over 690 performances, and was written by his wife Terry Tafoya Earp who is an award-winning Arizona playwright. A Life on The Frontier has had performances throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe along with many performances aboard cruise ships. In November 2000, Wyatt performed for the American Studies Program at the University in Budapest Hungary, in which the Cultural Attaché had attended.

In 1998 he began performing another one-man play "**The Gentleman Doc Holliday**" which is based on the book "Doc Holliday: A Family Portrait" by Karen Holliday Tanner, who is the closest living relative of Doc Holliday", which the play is primarily, based on. Therefore, what you will hear in this play is truly the real story...

Wyatt is retired from the New Your Life Insurance Company where he worked as an agent for over 35 years. He is also a charter member of "The Arizona Gunfighters", a historical reenactment troupe and a member of Park Central Toastmasters since 1980. His athletic endeavors include the competition in two Hawaiian Iron man Triathlons, numerous marathons, 10k's and long distance swimming events including the "Escape from Alcatraz". Wyatt also serves on the Phoenix Downtown YMCA board of directors as well as coaches the Y's Master's swim program. In addition, he is the race director for the YMCA Half-Marathon, which is the oldest foot race in Arizona. Wyatt also actively volunteers at the Arizona Spinal Injury Association and Terry is teaching how to write and execute theater from a wheel chair.

He currently resides in Phoenix, Arizona with his wife Terry, two cats named Doc Holliday and Cowboy along with George the German Sheppard. More information may be found on his [web site](#).

The Gentleman Doc Holliday

During the Banquet Saturday, November 25th in Phoenix Ballroom

The Gentleman Doc Holliday was written by Terry Earp, she collaborated with Karen-Holliday Tanner who is the closest living relative of Doc Holliday and author of the book; Doc Holliday - "A Family Portrait" Which the play is primarily, based on. Therefore, what you will hear in this play is truly the real story.

This is the of the story of the West's most famous dentist and his journey from one who heals to one who kills. The setting is in a Denver Colorado jail cell, where Bat Masterson and Governor Frederick W. Pitkin have put Doc in protective custody for a few hours. This is after Doc and the Earp's have left Arizona for Colorado. Unfortunately, for Doc a few hours have turned into a few days. To say the least Doc is not very happy about this. Out of boredom and

frustration, Doc begins bantering with the other prisoners. He is angry with the jailor, who is ignoring his needs. You the audience are the other prisoners.

Through out the play you will hear the story of the man who went from, as Doc likes to put it 'from one who heals to one who keals' (Kills).



James M. Giunta is a Certified Hypnotherapist and Inspirationist. He has been distinguished as “Hypnotist of the Year” by the International Medical and Dental Hypnotherapy Association and is a Certified Instructor for the National Guild of Hypnotists. James is the creator of “Hyp+Note=Therapy”© and he presented his noteworthy hypnotic induction in a TEDx talk in 2014. James holds a Master’s Degree in Communication and Information Studies from Rutgers University.

Hypnotic Techniques and the Art of Persuasion and Influence

**9:00 AM to 9:50 AM Friday, November 24th
in Piinetop Rm**

Hypnosis is an art, a science, and a philosophy that has been in existence in many forms for centuries. Is it possible to control a person’s mind and get them to do what you want them to do? This presentation includes basic information about Hypnosis and Neuro-Linguistic Programming, along with some advanced techniques to improve anyone’s ability to persuade, motivate, and influence others, such as:

- How to create rapport
- How to train others
- How to read and display body language
- How to train yourself to be persuasive
- Direct and indirect suggestions



Eric (Rick) Goeld was born in Brooklyn, New York, and spent his early years in New York and Miami, Florida. After attending Windsor Mountain School (1961-63), he attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Northeastern University, where he received bachelor’s and master’s degrees in electrical engineering. His business career in the semiconductor industry spanned 33 years. During his 26 years at Motorola, he ran businesses based in Europe and Asia, and, from 1993-96, was VP and GM of the Analog Integrated Circuits Division, based in Tempe, Arizona. He has taught Strategic Management to MBA-level students, served on various boards of directors, coached and mentored owners of small businesses, self-published three books, and written a screenplay. He lives in Scottsdale.

How A 50 Year Old Class Photo Inspired A Book

2:00 PM to 2:50 PM Saturday, November 25th in Prescott Rm

In 1963, I graduated from Windsor Mountain, a progressive boarding school, located in Lenox, Massachusetts, that was socially liberal and politically left-wing. The school's roots were in Germany. It had been founded, in 1920, by a Jewish family who were forced to flee just before World War II. I'll be telling two stories: first, the story of this unique school and its founders, faculty, and students; and second, how I came to rekindle my interest in the school 50 years after I'd graduated.



Deeann Jo Griebel is a full time Financial Advisor since 1984, Managing Director-Investments, Moors & Cabot, Inc. While at Wells Fargo Advisors she was selected as one of the firm's Premier Advisor from 2004 through 2012. She also served as a trainer to other financial advisors at Prudential Securities, a predecessor of Wells Fargo Advisors, under the Growing Your Business program.

Ranked in Barron's Top 100 Women Financial Advisors in 2007 thru 2013

Ranked in Barron's Top 1,000 Financial Advisors 2009 thru 2013

Dee assisted three news organizations in preparing articles for their programs on the Ponzi scheme called The Baptist Foundation of Arizona:

- Taken on Faith on 07/30/2002 www.cbsnews.com › 60 Minutes › 60 Minutes II
- Religious Prey-Baptist Foundation of Arizona on 07/19/2007 www.cnbc.com/id/100000099
- No Accounting for Greed on 07/23/2002 www.worldcat.org/title/no-accounting-for-greed

She is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) but does not practice accounting. Retention of this license requires a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education annually. Experienced in collateralized notes, hedging and option strategies, commodities, stocks, mutual funds and managed money, she is series 7, 63, and 65 and life insurance licensed. As an educational speaker she gives several presentations annually on such topics as how to read investment offering documents, how to spot fraudulent investments, world economic events, and general investment concepts. In recent years she has given presentations to such groups as National Public Radio and National Public TV members and the Southwest State University GOLD training programs.

Social Security-The Rest of the Story!!

11:00 AM to 11:50 AM Saturday, November 25th in Payson Rm

We'll cover HOW the Soc. Sec. trust fund "really" operates. We'll discuss the trustee's projection---and projections for the IOU depletion date. We'll discuss what this could mean come 2033--or 2026---! We'll discuss the impact on SOCIETY as we project what % of adults

might be 'living' on only SS. And then, wrap it with--AND WHAT THIS MEANS for the US budget--US debt--US dollar.



Joe Gruberman - Every year (that I'm in town), I offer a brand new custom presentation that combines that year's Phiesta theme, behind-the-scene movie topics and interesting trivia especially for my fellow Mensans. I have nothing to sell and (sadly) nothing to give away. For Phiesta XXXII, I presented "Everything I Know About Mental Health I Learned in Dark Movie Theaters"; for Phiesta XXXI, it was "Pulling A Phast One: How Hollywood Special FX Phool Us"; and for Phiesta XXIX, it was "Movies and How to Make Them". (I missed Phiesta Triple-X...man, what an opportunity THAT would have been!) I'm a retired corporate director turned movie producer, with one feature film coming out in theaters (or Netflix) next year and another in production right now.

Hey, You Stole My Idea!! (Writing for Hollywood)

4:00 PM to 4:50 PM Friday, November 24 in Payson Rm

A compilation of stories from the screenwriting trenches of Hollywood. Join local writer/producer Joe Gruberman on a fun jaunt through Hollywood history. The movies you remember, and the ones you'll never see. When creative minds think alike, the results can be ground-breaking collaboration, but more often are just coincidence, subliminal suggestion and outright plagiarism. Why should Hollywood be any different?!



Will Hepburn is the owner of Hepburn Capital Management, LLC, with offices in Scottsdale and Prescott, AZ. He is a professional money manager specializing in strategies that Adapt to Changing Markets®.

Will began his career in the investment business in 1987. He has managed two mutual funds and is a past-president of the National Association of Active Investment Managers and conducts training courses for other money managers. Will is also a college instructor having taught classes on investing at Yavapai College in Prescott, AZ, since 1990.

10 Investment Scams and How to Avoid Them

3:00 PM to 3:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Pinetop Rm

This fun and informative program will help you discover how to recognize the most common tools scam artists use to exploit vulnerable investors and how to protect your money and your family from these schemes. Topics will include red flags to alert you to possible pump and dump operations, mirror trading, bogus credentials, gold and energy scams, and protecting yourself from the Bernie Madoffs of the world.



Mike Johnson - Retired Physicist/Engineer/Statistician. Graduated Bristol University UK 1956. Seven years with Rolls-Royce Aeroengines UK and Canada. Seven years with General Electric Computer Department USA. 1970 started own consulting business; Plan-Ttest Associates. Consulted and taught Quality Control, (Statistical) Design of Experiments and Scientific Method in USA and Asia for 30 years.

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For more than 25 years, **Matt Lehrman** has studied, practiced and innovated at the intersection of marketing, loyalty and customer engagement in a career spanning government affairs, banking, and arts & cultural management, including, most visibly, as the Founder and long-time Executive Director of Alliance for Audience & **ShowUp.com**, the audience development initiative of Arizona's arts & cultural community. **Audience Avenue LLC**

How to Crack the Devotion Code

2:00 PM to 2:50 PM Friday, November 24 in Pinetop Rm

What does it take to succeed in a post-transactional world? Matt Lehrman shares 5 meaningful strategies to transform

mere customers or participants into vigorously engaged communities of support. If you're not diligently pursuing your followers' deep loyalty, someone else surely is.



In July of 2016, **David Medansky** weighed 217 pounds. His doctor told him to lose weight or find another physician, because he didn't want David dying of a heart attack on his watch. Within four months, Medansky dropped 50 pounds and now weighs 167. Being an author, he decided to write about his incredible weight-loss journey to inspire and help others achieve their weight-loss goals.

Born and raised in the Chicago metropolitan area, Medansky graduated from the University of Arizona School of Law in 1991. He practiced family law in Phoenix, Arizona until 2004, when he took up the pen to create thriller/suspense novels set in Sin City otherwise known as Las Vegas.

A bestselling author, Medansky's books are based on his experiences in Las Vegas, his legal background, and his interest in gangsters. He lives in the Phoenix metropolitan area with his wife.

Thinking Oneself Thin

11:00 AM to 11:50 AM Friday, November 24th in Payson Rm

To change lives by assisting others to successfully overcome the challenges of losing weight in a healthy manner, one pound at a time. The program will explore the mental, emotional, and psychological aspects of weight loss and the obstacles to surmount.



Jan Krulick-Belin has more than four decades of experience as a museum and art consultant, and art and jewelry historian. She has served at institutions such as the Denver Art Museum, Smithsonian Institution, and Corcoran Gallery of Art. She retired as director of education at the Phoenix Art Museum but continues to lecture and consult, and serves as guest curator at the Sylvia Plotkin Judaica Museum in Phoenix. The New York native has a master's degree in museum education from George Washington University. She is also an award-winning author. Her recent publication, **Love, Bill: Finding My Father through Letters from World War II** is the true story of her personal journey to reconnect to her father who passed away when she was only six years old. She and her husband, Jim, live in Phoenix, Arizona.

More Than Meets the Eye

10:00 AM to 10:50 AM Saturday, November 25 in Pinetop Rm

Visual perception is the process by which we use our eyes and brain to obtain information and experience the world around us. When we experience works of art, our eyes and mind automatically react, criticize, make meaning, and feel. Artists go through a similar process when creating their own works of art. By understanding the basic principles of perception, we can gain greater insight into our own encounters with those objects.

Personal fashion stylist



Loren North is a former geologist who traded in her steel toed boots for high heels to pursue her passion for saving the planet by changing how we style, care and shop for our clothes.

She works with women and men who are frustrated with what's in their closets, feel like they have nothing to wear, and usually don't like to shop or don't have time to go shopping. Loren teaches you what works for your body, restyles your clothing in new ways allowing you to extract value from what you already own and shows you how to shift your shopping habits so they are more sustainable.

After working with Loren, her clients look pulled together, feel more confident and comfortable, and dress with ease. Her company Through the Closet Door is a personal styling consultancy focused on helping professional men and women show up powerfully each day looking confident and comfortable because their style and clothes work for them. Visit Loren's website LorenENorth.com to learn more about how she can help you.

Sustainability and Style Balance

10:00 AM to 10:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Our clothes have a large environmental, social and economic impact. People may recycle plastic bottles but don't think twice about the polyester shirts that they throw away. You may not spend much time thinking about the impact of your clothes or where they were made. This presentation creates dialogue around the sustainability of materials (cotton, leather, etc.), manufacturing, and care of clothing. In this enlightening presentation Loren will demonstrate how sustainable principles can be merged with style concepts so you can look your best while feeling good about making better choices for the environment. The elements of style will be reviewed with examples for how to elevate your attendees personal style. Participants will walk away having raised their consciousness and awareness around sustainability and style. They will be empowered by what they can do to make more positive impacts with their purchases and how they care for their clothes.



Laura Orsini is a self-publishing and marketing consultant who specializes in new author book launches. Socially conscious authors hire her to help them identify their ideal readers and streamline their marketing processes so they can sell more books. Her goal is to change the world one book at a time – and to dismantle the self-sabotaging belief that people have to be trained writers in order to publish good books.

With a BA in Nonfiction Writing from the University of Arizona, Laura is the author of many books, including **Publish Your Book Already!**, **The Author's Media Tool Kit**, **Practical Philanthropy**, and the award-winning **1,001 Real-Life Questions for Women**. She will publish her first novel in Spring 2018.

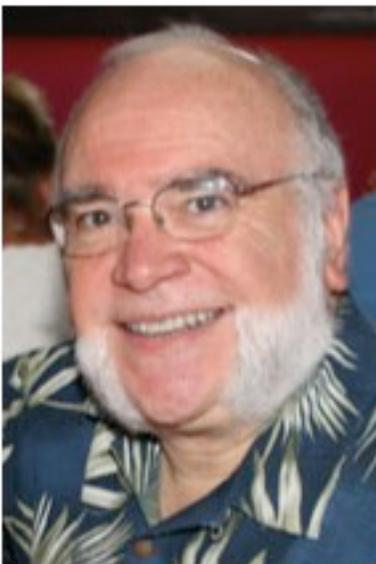
Laura began her public speaking career presenting on the topic of creativity for such groups as American Express and the Scottsdale Library. When she's away from the computer, she

enjoys movies, music, the outdoors, chatting over chai latte at a local coffeehouse, and spending time with her husband and her pets.

Kickstart Your Creativity

9:00 AM to 9:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Creativity isn't just for poets, artists, writers, or musicians. Everyone is creative in their own way - sometimes the secret is simply tapping into it. If you think you can't draw a stick figure, all that means is that drawing probably is not your creative outlet. Do you make a kick-ass Portobello mushroom spaghetti sauce? Have you been married for 30 years? Can you get everything you plant to grow? You're already creative! During this interactive session, you will be invited to explore your own creative leanings through each of the five senses. You'll participate in engaging exercises to help you identify and/or reconnect with your personal creativity.



Dave Pivin - I was born in Rhode Island 1946, the same year as Mensa was founded. In high school, I loved science and got an intro to electronics via ham radio. After high school, I received a scholarship and went to an electronics trade school, leading to my first job as a technician at Honeywell Data Processing in Boston. (I loved working in air-conditioned spaces.)

Everything changed when I got a draft notice in November of 1965. I signed up for a tour in the Navy, serving during the Viet Nam era out of ports in California, continuing in my electronics career as a Missile Fire Control Technician and serving on a

nuclear-powered surface ship.

After nearly six years of the Navy I was eager to finally go to college. In 1976, I graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering from UC Irvine, and got my first design job at Ford Aerospace in Newport Beach, CA. In 1980 my wife and I grew tired of the crowding and high real estate prices of CA and moved back to New England. I did design engineering for a few years and then took a job with Motorola Semiconductor as an Applications Engineer. I got a Master's Degree in Engineering Management from Northeastern University and by 1988, transferred here to Phoenix where I have been ever since.

My career has spanned the roles of electronics technician, digital and analog circuit design engineer, semiconductor applications engineer, semiconductor technical marketing manager and director of strategy. Along the way I have done much technical writing and gave technical presentations and training around the world.

Retiring from Motorola in 2002, I had one more job at an electronics startup, before that company folded and the recession made it difficult to continue in engineering. However, I had one final "dream" job, working part-time in an Apple Store, helping people use my favorite products in the roles of a Sales Specialist, Trainer and Genius. I retired in 2009.

All along the way, I was interested in personal computing, getting my first computer in 1980. I was eager to be on the leading edge of what would become today's internet, using dial-up bulletin boards, Prodigy and CompuServe. I jumped at the chance to get on the internet with my own web site in 1996 and continue to maintain a presence **HERE** today. There I expose my primary interests: my family, genealogy and photography.

I took the Mensa test here in Phoenix in 1989, but let my membership lapse a few years later, being too busy with work and travel. After I retired, I reactivated my Mensa membership and attended one of the monthly Ahwatukee Mensa meetings. It was at that first meeting that I volunteered to take over the GPM web site and became Webmaster in October of 2011. I have served on the ExCom as Member at Large and participated in Communication, RG and Marketing Committees. Last year stepped up to be LocSec. I had also joined the Triple Nine Society, using the results of my Mensa qualifying test as evidence.

I have been accompanied on this journey by my wife, Lovina, for the past 49 years. She has been a Registered Nurse , but more recently worked in her second career as a behavioral health counselor after receiving a Master of Counseling degree from ASU. She has recently joined me in retirement. We have two sons, 37 and 47, whom have each provided us with two beautiful grandchildren and thankfully, they are all close-by here in Phoenix.

Casa Grande and the Corona Project

4:00 PM to 4:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Scattered in a 16-mile square grid in the southern part of Casa Grand lies a collection of over 250 concrete markers, resembling a Maltese Cross, that were installed in the ground the Cold War 1960s. Although they were in plain sight, their purpose was not publicly disclosed as they were part of a top secret reconnaissance program run by a government agency whose very

existence was not revealed until 1992. The whole story of this program reveals that the US was committed develop the technology necessary to learn everything about the location of ballistic missile launch sites, nuclear submarines and bombers capable of reaching us. Today we can just look at Google Earth.

My Adventures in Genealogy

4:00 PM to 4:50 PM Saturday, November 25th in Pinetop Rm

Everyone who looks into their family history has adventures in the process. Getting started whets an appetite that leads to brick walls followed by rewarding discoveries (or not) and a better understanding of who they are. Those discoveries have revealed to me that it is important to look in the right place, talk to the right people, and use the internet to its best advantage. These adventures are presented to help enable you to have similar success in finding your roots.



Silver Rose was born and grew up in Boston. She majored in journalism at San Diego City College. At age 25, she owned an insurance agency and was selected as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America. She was recruited by a British Media Tycoon to be his second in command including serving as Creative Director and Head of Sales. For the next 20 years she was in the computer industry where her specialties were Human Resources, Sales, and Marketing. Management positions included Manager of Sales Database, Manager of Marketing Intelligence and Vice President of Sales & Marketing.

For the last decade, Silver has been a professional speaker, heading her own Management Consulting and Executive Coaching practice. Her specialty is working with professionals to increase their influence and their impact.

The Power of the Socratic Method to Win Friends & Influence People

10:00 AM to 10:50 AM Saturday, November 25th in Payson Rm

For centuries, humans have been educated to believe that having the right answers is the key to success. Conversely, we are told, “No one likes a know-it-all.” For Mensa members this creates a tug of war. For many, the primary path to positive attention was to parade your incredible intelligence and knowledge. Alas, when you did there was often an unpleasant backlash.

If you are interested in understanding how to more effectively interact either in your personal or business life (including at job interviews), this fun, informative program is for you. You will learn how to apply Socrates’ means of influencing through questions. Of course this also entails active listening (which is very different from waiting your turn to talk) and you will learn how to do that, as well.

If you've been told, "You're too much of a lone ranger," -or- "You dominate conversations," come and learn how to turn that around. (Speaker name; program description; day, hour, room; speaker bio.)



Master Frank Sasso is a Karate and Tai Chi instructor who has been actively involved in the martial arts for nearly 50 years. Sensei Sasso was promoted in April of this year to an Eighth Dan Master (8th degree) in Goju Shorei Karate, a martial arts system that incorporates both hard and soft styles. He has been awarded the titles of Renshi, expert teacher, and Shihan, master teacher who heads his own style. He has also been inducted into three Martial Arts Halls of Fame with a Golden Life Achievement Award as a Distinguished Master. **Sensei Barbara Hofmann** is a 2nd degree Black Belt in Goju Shorei Karate and a Certified Instructor of Western Tai Chi. Ms. Hofmann was a school teacher for many years. She also traveled much of North America: every US state except Alaska, southeastern Canada, and various locations in Mexico. However, she always maintained her interest in martial arts. After moving to Arizona and finding Master Sasso, she studied

Karate and Tai Chi seriously, and received her first Black Belt the day before her 70th birthday.

Tai Chi History and Health Benefits

11:00 AM to 11:50 PM Saturday, November 25th in Pinetop Rm

We will be presenting a short lecture on the history of tai chi and its health benefits.

Our Western Tai Chi is Master Sasso's modern version of the traditional Eastern style, adapted to appeal more to Americans. We accompany the exercise with modern music known to Americans. However, the health benefits remain. We will demonstrate a pattern or two. After introducing Tai Chi and its benefits, we invite the participants to join us performing Tai Chi, a gentle, low impact exercise.



Otto Siegel is an author, nationally known public speaker and Master Certified Coach. After teaching Biology and Chemistry to High School students in Munich/Germany and Sao Paulo/Brazil for 17 years he started his company Genius Coaching in 2002 in Scottsdale, AZ to serve highly intelligent children, young adults and leaders. His individual and team programs are customized for high performing executives, entrepreneurs, parents and teenagers to decode and activate hidden natural genius to increase productivity and engagement in companies and at school.

Hypersexuality and Physical Intelligence

3:00 PM to 3:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Prescott Rm

Highly intelligent people of all ages are most likely highly sensitive as well. How does this internal dynamic affect mental, emotional and sexual health throughout different stages of life? This presentation will introduce the paradigm of Physical Intelligence as a new framework to understand various signals of hypersexuality in a new context.



Sean Sweat spends his days in Intel Corporation's supply chain, and his nights improving Phoenix's transportation options through The Urban Phoenix Project and various City of Phoenix committees. Past notable projects include Valley of the Sunflowers and St. Luke's Complete Streets initiative. He has a BA Physics from Austin College, BS Industrial Engineering from Columbia University, and MS Transportation from MIT.

The Thunderdome Comes to Downtown Phoenix

11:00 AM to 11:50 AM Friday, November 24th in Pinetop Rm

Phoenix is hot, dull, deady, bankrupt, and civicy defunct. A group called The Urban Phoenix Project aims to change all that by getting back to the basics of city and transportation planning.



Niranjan Vasireddy, is a dad, entrepreneur, educator and positive futurist. His purpose in life is to empower individuals to enjoy a conscious experience of life. He is an ambassador for Conscious Capitalism, Arizona and frequently consults leaders how to liberate their heroic spirit and lead the "right" way to gain an competitive-edge.

Doing Good For Good Business - The Rise of Conscious Leadership

9:00 AM to 9:50 AM Saturday, November 25th in Pinetop Rm

Leaders are discovering that doing good and being good is the new found secret for a great long-lasting business.

Conscious Capitalism as it is called is liberating the heroic spirit of businesses and its leaders. A global movement co-started by John Mackey, CEO of Whole

Foods and professor Dr. Raj Sisodia has a fast-growing member companies which include Southwest Airlines, Barry Wehmiller, The Container Store and many others. Studies have shown that over a 15-year period, companies that have fully implemented Conscious Capitalism principles outperform the market by a factor of 14 to 1. This session educates the attendees about the hot-topic / movement and highlights various inspirational examples of conscious leadership at work. The session empowers attendees to start implementing conscious practices into their personal and business lives right away.



Dr. Vrenios is a retired computer scientist with long term interests in astronomy, photography and amateur radio. Combining these skills, amateur radio astronomy fills the need for a technical challenge, draining his time and discretionary income in the process.

Amateur Radio Astronomy 4:00 PM to 4:50 PM Saturday, November 25th in Payson Rm

My Radio Astronomy presentation is divided into three main sections: history, five amateur-level projects, and a treatise on radio frequency imaging, using both amateur and professional equipment. The presentation begins with a history of radio astronomy, from Jansky's original discovery through its establishment as a scientific endeavor in its own right. Second, five observing projects, offered by the Astronomical League are presented, along with the equipment I built and assembled in order to complete them. Finally, the radio frequency imaging process is discussed in detail.



Sharon Winters has retired from teaching English and math, but continues to study Mandarin and visit China. She has a BS in Psychology from Illinois State University and an MA in Humanities from the University of Texas. Her stories have appeared in the **MENSA BULLETIN: The Magazine of American MENSA**, as well as **The New Mensican**, and **The Rodent Reader Quarterly**.

China Stories 3:00 PM to 3:50 PM Friday, November 24th in Payson Rm

Sharon Winters, author of **Cutted Chicken in Shanghai: A Memoire**, lived in China for two years and will tell stories about

the difficulties, disasters, and delights of learning to speak Mandarin. She has also written a children's book: **Runtie the Desert Rat**, which is a pour quoi story about the troubles of a little Sonora desert rat. This children's book is a folktale that even adults will enjoy. Sharon has been a storyteller for over twenty years and is studying storytelling at South Mountain College.

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I wanna help next time!

In addition to the satisfaction you get for helping put on the biggest and arguably the most important event GPM holds, you get to attend the RG for half price, half price t-shirt, a nifty name tag, and you get to hang out once a month with some neat and involved people. Sign up now, or just button hole one of this year's Committee members.

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