

Environment and



Growth

the delicate balance

10th ANNIVERSARY

**PINAL COUNTY
TOWN HALL**

1997 Official Report

April 30 - May 2, 1997

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Oracle, Arizona

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Dear Town Hall Delegate:

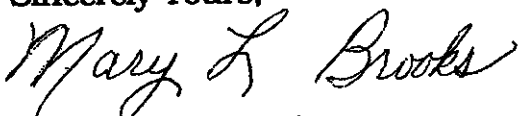
On behalf of the Pinal County Development Board and Town Hall Advisory Committee, it is my pleasure to provide you with the report and delegate directory from the Tenth Annual Pinal County Town Hall. The board and town hall advisory committee thank you for your attendance and enthusiastic participation in helping make the tenth anniversary a very special Pinal County Town Hall.

The report that follows, includes the overall consensus group goals and action steps, and delegate directory. **Your specific attention is directed to goal number one which calls for the creation of a special task force to follow up on the recommended goals and action steps.** In addition, you will find your original personal commitment form (if you completed one) enclosed in the front of your report as a friendly reminder of your own individual goal. The directory section of the report includes the address and telephone numbers of each delegate in attendance at Town Hall.

I want to once again acknowledge and thank our Partners in Economic Progress, listed in this report, who provide both personal and financial resources to help make the Pinal County Town Hall a continuing reality. Special appreciation is also extended to those individuals and businesses that provided door prizes for this years' Town Hall.

Should you have questions concerning the report or follow-up activities, feel free to contact members of the Town Hall Advisory Committee or our Town Hall planners, SunWest Educational Associates, at 836-2065. Your support and interest in the Pinal County Town Hall is greatly appreciated as we continue to work together for the well being of Pinal County. Best regards for a great 1997!

Sincerely Yours,



Mary L. Brooks, Chairwoman
Pinal County Development Board

Pinal County Town Hall

Environment and Growth: The Delicate Balance

OFFICIAL REPORT 1997

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Summary Report

**There is no 'away' to throw
anything away to any more.**

Buckminster Fuller

**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE
TENTH ANNUAL PINAL COUNTY TOWN HALL
APRIL 30, - MAY 2, 1997**

OVERVIEW

One hundred forty-two delegates took part in the Tenth Anniversary Pinal County Town Hall held April 30 - May 2 at the Biosphere 2 Center, Columbia University. This year's theme was "**Environment and Growth: The Delicate Balance**". One of the featured speakers was Dr. William Harris, President and Executive Director of Columbia University, Biosphere 2 Center who spoke on the topic "Growth and the Health of Our Environment." In addition, Mr. Bruce Wright, Assistant to the President and Senior officer for Economic Development and Community Affairs at the University of Arizona, addressed the delegates on the topic of "Growth and its Impact on Arizona and Pinal County."

A total of twenty-one students participated as delegates from nine Pinal County high schools and two campuses of Central Arizona College. **In addition to the regular town hall program, the students took part in a day long, specially designed pre-town hall workshop on Earth Science and the Environment.** Dr. Elisabeth Roberts, of the Biosphere 2 Center, Columbia University coordinated the event, along with support from other faculty and several high school teachers and student sponsors. Students focused on an actual growth and environmental problem and reported their findings to the total delegates on Friday morning.

A number of special ten year anniversary progress reports were presented to the town hall delegates at the Friday morning session. While not included in this report, these reports may be secured by contacting the individual presenter (see printed program) or the Pinal County Town Hall Advisory Committee Facilitator. Updates presented included: (1) 1997 Communications Committee Report (2) Volunteers in Service to Communities Report- 1996 (3) 1997 Economic Development Resource Directory, (4) Report on Confronting Juvenile Crime In Our Communities -1994 and (5) An Inside Look at Pinal County Government - Taxes Vs. Services: A Delicate Balance -1991.

An inaugural event at this years Town Hall was the introduction of the **Constellation Awards** in acknowledgment of significant contributions in Pinal County to new business development, job creation/ work force training and physical revitalization. The awards were sponsored by Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino, Casa Grande Valley Newspapers, Inc. and Pinal County Town Hall. The three winners, one each in the above categories included the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, Santa Cruz Valley Union High School Health Careers 2000, and the Pinal County Civil Works Department for development of the Picacho Reservoir Multi Use Project.

Each of the three honorees received a limited-edition crystal star. Harrah's will also make a \$2500 donation in each of the three winners names to Pinal County charities.

In order to share, review, and evaluate input from the six small discussion groups and to arrive at a collective consensus regarding the topic and related issues, **a consensus group** met following the final small discussion group session. The consensus group consisted of 14 members which included the overall facilitator and recorder and the facilitators and recorders from each small discussion group. The consensus group membership is listed at the conclusion of this report. The process used by the consensus group in arriving at its conclusions was to review and evaluate the input from each of the discussion groups and to identify common areas of agreement and/or disagreement, key concerns, and important issues needing further attention and/or resolution. The consensus group was encouraged to identify recommendations, goals and initial actions steps which were to include attention to the "who, what, how and when" questions to assure post-Town Hall action, follow-up and ultimate evaluation of progress.

The consensus group report was presented to the total body of delegates at the concluding Friday morning session by the group facilitator and recorder. In addition to the recommendations and action steps that follow, individual delegates were called on to submit in writing their personal commitment and action steps in support of the consensus group report. **Each delegates personal commitment form is enclosed with this report as a special reminder for individual follow-up and action.** The report that follows represents the consensus groups findings, recommendations and action steps.

CONSENSUS GROUP REPORT

Environment and Growth: The Delicate Balance

A. Statement of Problem and Concerns - *Comment: The following concerns are not listed in any particular order of priority.*

1. Population growth and demographic shift
2. Public apathy (individual lack of participation)
3. Preservation of public land and natural resources
4. Lack of adequate transportation and infrastructure
5. Preservation of personal property rights

6. Ineffective two way communication between the public and government(s)
7. Cooperation and interface of government agencies at the federal, state, and local level (relative to regulations)
8. Unplanned urban and rural growth (sprawl)
9. Resistance to change
10. Unequal distribution of resources (infrastructure) and incentives to developer
11. Preservation of rural values, character and sense of community
12. Lack of available recycling and waste management programs and resources
13. Public's lack of knowledge about existing planning processes and mechanisms
14. Lack of a county-wide visioning process that includes recognition of local values and diversity
15. Lack of educational programs regarding the environment at all levels throughout Pinal county
16. Lack of enforcement of existing regulations and *implementation* of plans
17. Degradation of air, water, and aesthetics
18. Government tendency to be re-active vs. pro-active
19. Need for balance between residential and industrial development
20. Exploitation by urban areas

B. Goals and Strategies

Goal number one: Create a county-wide visioning process on growth and the environment. The process should include the recognition of local values and diversity.

Strategy - Develop local pro-active environment concerned organization to monitor new development and planning process.

Strategy - Town Hall Advisory Committee to create a task force composed of county citizens, citizen groups, and government

representatives to develop a county-wide vision using information gathered from Town Hall discussion groups* The task force will report back at the 1998 Pinal County Town Hall.

Goal number two: Increase educational and public awareness programs regarding the environment and quality of life.

Strategy - A sub-committee of the task force will be assigned the responsibility to encourage:

(a) intergenerational community based town halls on environment issues.

(b) the dissemination of information using local media, libraries video conferences, web-site, E-mail and other available techniques.

Goal number three: Pinal County to complete and continually update county-wide comprehensive plan. The plan should include attention to waste management, recycling and infrastructure.

Goal number four: Encourage, through all available means, individual responsibility for environmental stewardship.

Strategy - Use task force to create a "marketing" program complete with logo and slogan.

*** Information, in the form of small discussion group reports, will be re-produced and made available to the special task force at its initial meeting.**

"We have one earth. Unfortunately, our concern for our planet has become a politically divisive issue. We can have significant economic development, and we can sustain the health of our planet. One of the things town halls such as this can do is to launch a serious, constructive dialogue toward this end"

*Dr. William Harris, President and
Executive Director - Biosphere 2 Center
Columbia University*

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Judge of the Superior Court
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*Rick Miller, **Recorder***

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Superstition Area Land Trust
Gold Canyon

Sandra Spillman, Board Member

West Oracle Neighborhood Assoc.
Oracle

--TOWN HALL PROGRAM SCHEDULE--

WEDNESDAY, April 30, 1997

9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Catalina Conference Room

STUDENT WORKSHOP

3:00-6:15 p.m.
Hotel Conference Center
Reception Area

HOTEL CHECK-IN AND TOWN HALL REGISTRATION

Biosphere 2 Human
Habitat

EXHIBIT VISITATION AND TOURS

6:00-7:00 p.m.
Biosphere 2 Human
Habitat

RECEPTION

Compliments of the Biosphere 2 Center, Columbia University
Background Music by Jim Sorensen

7:00 p.m.
Biosphere 2 Lawn

BUFFET DINNER

8:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND OPENING ADDRESS

Presiding:

Wayne G. Gerken, Facilitator
Pinal County Town Hall Advisory Committee

Pledge of Allegiance: *Julian Trejo - San Manuel High School*

Welcome:

Robert Edison, Director of Institutional Advancement
Biosphere 2 Center, Columbia University

Mary L. Brooks, Chairwoman
Pinal County Development Board

Lionel Ruiz, Pinal County Board of Supervisors
District #1

Address:

"Growth and the Health of Our Environment"
Dr. William Harris, President and Executive Director
Columbia University, Biosphere 2 Center

**Partners in Economic
Progress - Through
the Years**

Mary L. Brooks

THURSDAY, May 1, 1997

6:45-7:45 a.m.
Canada del Oro Restaurant
and Patio

BUFFET BREAKFAST

7:30-9:00 a.m.
Visitor Center Lobby

LATE REGISTRATION

8:00-8:45 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION - ADDRESS

Presiding: *Charles P. McHugh, Town Hall Advisory Committee Member
Coolidge*

Topic: **"Growth and its Impact on Arizona and Pinal County"**
*Bruce Wright, Assistant to the President and Senior Officer for
Economic Development and Community Affairs, University of
Arizona*

9:00-10:30 a.m.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Group 1

Executive Board Room

Facilitator:

*Karl Peterson, Summitt Consulting
Casa Grande*

Recorder:

*Rosemary Shearer, President Superstition Area Land Trust-
Gold Canyon*

Group 2

Student Classroom

Human Habitat

Facilitator:

*David Brubaker, Executive Director
Seeds of Hope - Casa Grande*

Recorder:

*Angie Desmarais, Administrative Manager, Pinal County
Administration Services*

Group 3

Library - Suffolk House

Facilitator:

*Dr. Bonnie Palmer, City Council Member-
Coolidge*

Recorder:

*Seth Hudson, VISTA Volunteer, Maricopa Community Chamber
of Commerce*

Group 4

Catalina Conference Room

Facilitator:

*Dr. Joanna Michelich, Dean of Instructional Services
Superstition Mt. Campus - Central Arizona College*

Recorder:

*Dean Giles, Transportation Program Director,
Central Arizona Association of Governments, Florence*

Group 5

Visitor Center Annex-A

Facilitator:

*George Hoffman, Assistant City Manager
Apache Junction*

Recorder:

*Sandra Spillman, Board Member, West Oracle Neighborhood
Association*

Group 6

Visitor Center Annex-B

Facilitator:

*Jack Beveridge, Executive Director Pinal Gila Behavioral Health
Association, Inc. Apache Junction*

Recorder:

*Denise Keller, Reference and Outreach Services
Pinal County Library District - Florence*

10:30-10:55 a.m.

Visitor Center Lobby

BREAK

10:55-12:00 noon
Visitor Center Auditorium

GENERAL SESSION - PANEL DISCUSSION

Topic: **Environment and Growth-"Perspectives and Issues"**

Moderator: *Jeff Fairman, Executive Director,
Casa Grande Valley Economic Development Foundation*

Panelists: *Bonnie Bariola, Planner 2, Pinal County Planning and
Development Services - Florence*
*Maureen M. Scholz, Director of Operations, Environmental
Concerns Organization, Incorporated (ECO)- Maricopa*

*Bennett Burke, Manager/Valley District
Southwest Gas Corporation*

*Harold Christ, Project Manager, Jupiter Realty Associates,
Gold Canyon*

*Larry Harmer, Director of Development Services, City of
Apache Junction*

12:00 noon-12:45 p.m.
Canada del Oro Restaurant
and Patio

LUNCHEON

12:55- 1:55 p.m.
Visitor Center Auditorium

GENERAL SESSION - SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Presiding: *Wayne G. Gerken, Facilitator
Pinal County Town Hall Advisory Committee*

• **The Constellation Awards** - *Janet Beronio, General
Manager, Harrahs Ak-Chin Casino*

• **Pinal Futures: Picacho Lake Reservoir and Park
Recreation Area** - *Brad Gair, Director, Pinal County
Department of Civil Works*

2:10-3:30 p.m.
Same as previous
locations

DISCUSSION GROUPS

3:30-3:45 p.m.
Visitation Center Lobby and
Discussion Group Locations

BREAK

3:45-5:00 p.m.
Same as previous
locations

DISCUSSION GROUPS

5:00-6:30 p.m.

LEISURE TIME

5:15-5:45 p.m.
Library - Suffolk House

CONSENSUS GROUP MEETING

6:30 p.m.
Canyon del Oro Patio

SOCIAL HOUR AND BARBECUE

- *Entertainment* - The Arizona Boys Ranch Ambassador Choir
Tom Merriam, Director
- "Sparkle and Freckles " - In Person!
- Golf Tournament Recognition and Awards
Robert Lee , Town Hall Advisory Committee Member
San Manuel

FRIDAY, May 2

7:00 -8:00 a.m.
Canyon del Oro Restaurant
and Patio

BUFFET BREAKFAST

7:00-9:30 A.M.
Library Suffolk House

CONSENSUS GROUP BREAKFAST AND MEETING

8:15-9:35 a.m.
Visitor Center Auditorium

GENERAL SESSION

Presiding:

Dr. Bryant Ridgway, Town Hall Advisory Committee Member
Stanfield

Topic A: Student Workshop Report

Moderator:

Elisabeth Roberts, K-12 Education Program Coordinator,
Biosphere 2 Center, Columbia University

Panelists:

Student Participants in the April 30 Student Workshop

**Topic B:Pinal County Town Hall in Review "Ten Year
Highlights and Updates."**

**Topics and
Presenters:**

- Communications Committee Report to the Delegates - *Sandie Smith*, Chairperson and *Melinda S. France* Committee Member (1995)
- Volunteers in Service to Communities: *Robert Yates*, President Volunteer Center of Pinal County (1996)
- Economic Development Resources Directory - *Melinda S. France*, Director, Pinal County Library District (1992)
- Confronting Juvenile Crime In Our Communities
Jesus J. Diaz, Director Pinal County Juvenile Court Services (1994)
- An Inside Look at Pinal County Government - Taxes Vs. Services: A Delicate Balance - *Terry Doolittle*, Deputy County Manager, Pinal County (1991)

9:35-10:00 a.m.
Visitor Center Lobby

BREAK

10:00-11:30 a.m.

CONCLUDING GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: *Wayne G. Gerken, Facilitator*
Pinal County Town Hall Advisory Committee

Consensus Group Report: *Facilitator: The Honorable Boyd T. Johnson, Judge of the Superior Court District IV - Pinal County*

Recorder: Rick Miller, Director Planning and Development, City of Casa Grande

Concluding Activities: 1997 Town Hall Evaluation, Acknowledgments, and Special Drawings

Closing Remarks: *Mary L. Brooks, Chairwoman- Pinal County Development Board*

11:30a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Appreciation is extended to the following organizations and individuals for providing this years delegate door prizes.

Abbott Laboratories, Ross Products Division
Arizona City Golf Club
ASARCO Mineral Discovery Center
Bakers Office Supply
Barleen's Country Music Dinner Theatre
Biosphere 2 Center, Affiliate of Columbia University
the Dolly Steamboat
Don Donnelly Stables
Flowers and Things - San Manuel
Francisco Grande Resort and Golf Club
Golden Eagle Distributing Company - Globe District
Goldfield Ghost Town and Mine Tours, Inc.
Jenny Kilb - Professional Artist
Michael Collett and Company
Mining Camp Restaurant
Superstition Mountain Historical Society
Tortilla Flat

Partners in Economic Progress

**If you want to innovate, to change an
enterprise or a society, it take people
willing to do what's not expected**

Jean Riboud

PARTNERS IN ECONOMIC PROGRESS

It is through the collective efforts of both the public sector and the private sector that the Pinal County Town Hall has been made possible. The Pinal County Development Board and Town Hall Advisory Committee expresses appreciation to the following organizations for their financial support of the Tenth Annual Pinal County Town Hall as well as their participation and interest in this county-wide endeavor.

PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Special appreciation is extended to the **Pinal County Board of Supervisors*** for its continuing commitment to and financial support of the Pinal County Development Board which has enabled it to serve as sponsor for the Pinal County Town Hall.

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MAJOR:

City of Apache Junction
City of Casa Grande
City of Coolidge
City of Eloy
Town of Florence

SUSTAINING

Apache Junction Chamber of Commerce
Arizona City Chamber of Commerce
Coolidge Chamber of Commerce
Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce
Eloy Chamber of Commerce
Greater Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce
Greater Florence Chamber of Commerce
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Gold Canyon Resort
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Delegate Directory

**Never doubt that a small group
of thoughtful committed citizens
can change the world; indeed it
is the only thing that ever has.**

Margaret Mead



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Pinal County Town Hall Ten Year Profile

The Pinal County Town Hall began in 1988 due to the interest of a number of individuals and organizations to bring together a cross-section of Pinal County leaders in a town hall framework to study and discuss issues of importance to Pinal County and its citizens. From the beginning, the town hall has focused on issues relating to economic development. The Pinal County Development Board sponsors the town hall and has been supported in its planning by a county-wide advisory committee which meets monthly throughout the year. The town hall receives financial support from the Pinal County Board of Supervisors along with delegate fees and corporate/community support. **The supporters in this public-private partnership are identified as "Partners In Economic Progress".**

Each spring, approximately 140-150 delegates come together for two days to deal with a specific topic that impacts the county as a whole and its respective communities and citizens. Topics over the first nine years include:

- 1988 A Symposium on Economic Development
- 1989 Pinal County Futures; Tomorrow's Vision - Today's Plan
- 1990 Horizon 2000: Strategies For Action
- 1991 An Inside Look at Pinal County Government: Taxes Vs. Services-A Delicate Balance
- 1992 The Year For Action: Implementing a County-Wide Economic Development Plan
- 1993 The Changing Workplace: Education's Challenge
- 1994 Today's Crisis: Confronting Juvenile Crime In Our Communities
- 1995 Pinal Tomorrow: Building Healthier Communities
- 1996 Volunteers in Service to Communities: People Making A Difference
- 1997 Environment and Growth: The Delicate Balance

An annual report, which includes recommendations and/or suggestions, is prepared after each town hall, and distributed to delegates and partners and is monitored during the year for progress and action by members of the advisory committee. While the town hall possesses no official power or authority, it is significant to note that many of the delegate recommendations and/or ideas have been implemented over the ten year history of town hall.

SunWest Educational Associates, Inc. has served as the "administrative arm" of the Development Board in working with the advisory committee to plan, organize, and implement the Pinal County Town Hall.

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