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Two of Southwest Leadership's finest seniors, Maylaya Trujillo and Alex Castillo attended the Phoenix Rotary Meeting with Schools' Superintendent Dr. Philip Geiger to learn about the extraordinary life transformation of Thomas Murtaugh from addict to the purchasing director of the Four Seasons Resort and Hotel in Scottsdale, Arizona.

As we listened to Mr. Murtaugh's life's story, we were all touched by the sad experiences he had during his youth which ultimately led to homelessness, crime, drugs and jail by age 22. He fought additional and personal issues for many years until 2010 when he checked into Calvary Addiction Recovery Center which changed his life.

Maylaya and Alex heard how these circumstances affected Mr. Murtaugh and could see how these experiences can also affect the lives of young people including their peers at school and even their own families. Mr. Murtaugh has given more than 200 talks about his recovery and his life transformation which Maylaya and Alex found reassuring and hopeful for people who find themselves in this place in their own lives.

Phoenix Rotary 100 is the largest and oldest Rotary Club in Arizona and students from SLA attend various meetings held at the Phoenix Country Club where they associate with many of Phoenix's civic and business leaders who devote themselves to youth oriented charities and discourse with other "movers and shakers" of Arizona.
