

The Sun Riser

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Rotary
Club of Sun Lakes, Arizona, USA 

Today Tracey Walsko



Golf Ball Drop

What a fantastic day!

Brilliant sunshine and perfect temperatures on Sunday, March 26th greeted one-hundred seventy golfers gathered at Oakwood Country Club to participate in the Sun Lakes Rotary Charity Golf Tournament. Just before tee time, a helicopter hovered over the practice tee where a green had been constructed. Then, 1,500 marked golf balls fell out of the sky, destined for the green below. A few of them made it into the cup.

All three Oakwood golf courses -- Lakes, Palms, and Sonoran were used. In addition to

hole-in-one prizes on three par threes (no one won a car), there were special opportunities to shoot golf balls through a bazooka. These strange contraptions were capable of firing a ball three hundred yards and put a whole new look on the game. Few of the participants had ever shot a ball that far before. Most took advantage of the opportunity. *It was a blast*, to say the least!

More money was raised by us for our charities than ever raised before, **besting the previous high by \$10,000.**

CONGRATULATIONS, GUYS AND GALS!

And special thanks to the Golf Committee, who along with many, many volunteers, made all this possible. Specifically, thanks to Bill Schink, Ed Anderson, Norm Riffel, Don Bell, Don Denkinger, Norm Noble, Peter Meade, Mark Van Engelen, Dave Logan, and Don Prestin.

**Now, set your calendars for next year's Golf Tournament:
Sunday, March 18, 2018**

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Bazooka Launch

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW: APRIL 4, 2017

Call-to-Order: **Pres. Bill McCoach**

Pledge: **Craig Gilbert**

Invocation: **Frank Wiley**

Song Meister: **Roger Edmonds** ("Zip a Dee Doo Dah")

APRIL—MAY EVENTS

April 18	Club Picnic
April 25	Foundation 2000
May 2	?
May 9	?

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

BIRTHDAY: Hal Cowles 4/12; Joe Harris Apr. 14

ANNIVERSARY: Steve & Marianne Perkins Apr. 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred DePrez reminded everyone that our Rotary Picnic will be held on April 18th at Sisk Park. There will be no morning meeting. **DON'T FORGET.** **Greg Jewell** asked for volunteers to help stuff Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt in Cottonwood on April 15th. The work will proceed at



Mary Louise Lansbarkis' home immediately after our Rotary meeting this morning. **Peter Meade** gave a brief recap of the just-completed Golf Tournament. Bottom-line: we netted about \$37,000! **Gary Whiting** put in a pitch for our Facebook page. **Dwight Snyder** talked about our Club's involvement with RYLA and what it means to the kids who participate. This year, our Club hosted 14 students at the camp in Heber. RYLA is one of the most life-changing leadership camps for high schools students offered in Arizona and around the world! At RYLA, we help develop



leadership skills and incredible self confidence in even the most introverted of students. **Craig Gilbert** is looking for a volunteer to serve on the "Service Above Self" selection committee.

ATTENDANCE APRIL 4

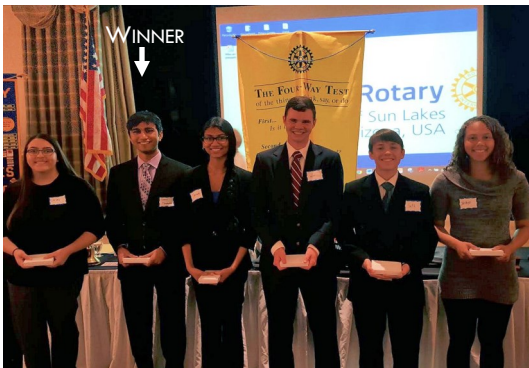
Members: 34
Sr. Members: 22
Frequent Visitors: 3
Visiting Rotarians: 4
Guests: 18
Total: 81

ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH



The Four-Way Test

Six outstanding students from the Chandler Unified School District competed and gave 5-7 minute speeches on how the Rotary Four-Way Test might be applied to their lives or the lives of others in today's world. Participants included:



- Arizona College Preparatory—Erie, Will Osborn, Senior
- Basha High School, Seth Wuthrich, Junior
- Casteel High School, Carly Stewart, Sophomore
- Chandler High School, Jaidyn Snitker, Junior
- Hamilton High School, Saahil Poonawala, Senior
- Perry High School, Joanna Gunaraj, Junior

All participants did an outstanding job. The winner was Hamilton High School's Saahil Poonawala. All competitors received a certificate, Four-Way Test paperweight, and prize money!

RAFFLE WINNER



Frank Wiley picked the Three of Hearts. He collected \$10. **\$800+ in the pot! 30 Cards Left!**

DeeAnne Hawkins and Norman Mark are prospective new members in our Rotary Club.



Not too many Clubs have TWO Past District Governors. **WE DO.** **Gary Whiting and Tom Burns!**