

The Sun Riser

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Rotary
Club of Sun Lakes, Arizona, USA 

Today's Event Dr. Hien Nguyen



Kristine Kassel, a Sun Devil married to a Wildcat, spoke to us about health insurance. Kristine has 28 years as an agent/broker. It was a timely discussion.

For individual health insurance policies, only Healthnet sells them and they are HMO's. Group insurance is not impacted and multiple firms quote health insurance policies. The Affordable Care Act ("ACA") has affected individual policies. Subsidies can be available and open enrollment dates need to be closely followed. Some pending facts about the current proposed health law changes include:

- Tax credit/ subsidy changes
- Employer penalties based on a larger % of what employee pays for group insurance
- Elimination of individual mandate to purchase insurance
- Elimination of the employer mandate for group's 50+ employees to offer insurance
- States can opt out of the marketplace.

Healthcare insurance is continually changing with ever increasing premiums.

CHILD SHOPPING SPREE

The Boys & Girls Club Child Shopping Spree is set for July 15th at 7:00 am at the Kohl's in Ahwatukee on Chandler Blvd. It is a fun and worthwhile service project. Plus our Club contributes money for the Spree.

Please contact **Dee Rasmussen** at **480-895-1240** or e-mail her at tennisace@endisine3d.com if you will participate.



2018 ROTARY CRUISE

Lisa Phillips and **Terrie Sanders** unveiled the proposed Rotary Club Cruise for 2018. It is on Norwegian Cruise Line's *Pearl* departing New Orleans on March 2 and returning on the 7th. There will be an opportunity to take a pre-cruise excursion in New Orleans for 2 nights/3 days, starting Feb. 28th. Balcony cabins will be about \$899+ per person, including insurance, and NCL is offering an amenity to select, plus will make a donation to one of our foundations. Airfare is not included. More information will follow.



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ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: JUNE 27, 2017

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

Pledge: **Bob Phillips**

Invocation: **Tom Burns**

Song Meister: **Bill Giessing "America"**

JULY-AUGUST EVENTS

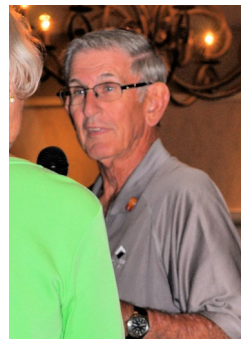
July 18	Club Assembly
July 25	Sandra Hudson
Aug. 1	Hospice of Valley
Aug. 8	TBD

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

BIRTHDAY: Jack Harms birthday July 6; Dick Vogel birthday July 7; DeeAnne Hawkins birthday July 8. Greg Jewell birthday July 11; Steve Stumpff birthday July 13; Mark Grady birthday July 15; Fred Widmer birthday July 16; Justin Bro birthday July 17
ANNIVERSARY: Norman & Joyce Riffel July 2; Marie Fotino & Vince Mancuso July 7/6

HAPPY/SAD \$ AS REPORTED BY BILL MCCOACH

Dee Rasmussen took new member **Myron Harper** under her wing and led the Happy/Sad \$ Parade. Anniversaries included **Frank Wiley** - (26th anniversary), **Craig Gilbert** (22nd anniversary) - \$5, and **Vel Amica** (52nd anniversary) - \$52!!!!. Birthdays were **Dick Vogel** - \$12 and **DeeAnne Hawkins** - \$3. **Rob Romanin** had tooth fairy business and paid his scooter \$.



RAFFLE WINNER

Don Prestin chose the 6 of Hearts; not the illusive Joker. There are 46 cards left.

Vel Amica paid big bucks for everyone at his table. **Frank Wiley** indicated he was happy to do the Child Shopping Spree again. **Gene Vogt** was proudly wearing his 1992 Rotary shirt. **Orm Saathoff** got into trouble for not picking up Dee and Honey on his return trip and paid up (he took her only one way). **Julian Pickens** was elated that Dee had no starting joke and promised to keep on paying if no jokes continued. **Walt Mills** put his money where his mouth was and gave the Club some advice. And **Bill McCoach** was pleased to announce that to celebrate his new position of Past President, he is departing for Portugal, the Czech Republic and Germany this Friday, returning on July 18th.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nine Rotary Clubs in the District were bestowed District Achievement Awards. **Our Sun Lakes Club was recognized and received the top prize of a "Super" Award.** Thank you Rotarians for all your hard work!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PolioPlus: The Gates Foundation has committed to contributing up to \$450 Million to help eradicate polio over the next three years. This is based upon Rotary's commitment to raise \$150 Million over the next three years. Currently there are six polio cases worldwide, four in Afghanistan and two in Pakistan.

At the District Conference, **Bill McCoach** gave a two-minute speech summarizing our Club's service endeavors for the year: He told the conference, "We emphasize two things: Education and Children." He told them about Choices; the Dictionary Project; Teacher and High School Senior of the Month awards; Four-Way Test Speech Contest with each of the six Chandler high schools participating; the installation of a flagpole at Casteel High School; sending eleven students to RYLA; sending students to World Affairs Seminar in Wisconsin; awarding Service Above Self HS student Scholarships & Vocational Scholarships; working with students of all ages in STEM programs of A World in Motion and F1; working with our 4 Interact Clubs with two being newly established this year; participating in the Easter Egg Hunt & Parade for children; Hosting & going to Sweden on a Friendship

Exchange; helping in the Annual Child Spree, and supporting both PolioPlus + TRF, averaging over \$100 per member.

NEW MEMBER SPIEL BY MYRON HARPER

Myron Harper introduced himself and told us he was born in Portland, OR in 1931. He told us he was not as old as he looked. He introduced his wife Joanne, a very important person in his life, and they are now celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Myron's mother had polio and always wore a brace and used a cane. Catholic School got him the educational foundation needed in his life. He never *lost his marbles* and sometimes played with them. He joined the US Army and became a Clerk Typist and then progressed to OCS; he graduated a 2nd Lieutenant, ultimately overseeing a 250-man company at the age of 21. After leaving the service, he worked 25 years in sales/marketing and 30 years in commercial aviation. There was a whole lot more for him to say, but his alarm clock made him stop. Or was it President Bill?

