

The Sun Riser

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Rotary
Club of Sun Lakes, Arizona, USA 

Today's Event SANDRA HUDSON



PETER MEADE LAYS OUT HIS PLANS FOR OUR NEW YEAR

10/25: An evening dinner on a Wednesday, replacing our usual Tuesday morning meeting. We will be hosting at Oakwood our District Governor Nancy Van Pelt and 5 other clubs in our area for a happy hour/dinner event. All Rotarians, spouses and anyone you feel might be interested are welcome to attend. For this dinner event, tickets will be sold in advance and each club will also be selling 50/50 raffle tickets with the proceeds going toward PolioPlus. So this is a big deal. It is dinner with the DG, 5 other clubs, a PolioPlus fundraiser and a great opportunity to meet, engage and enjoy the company of some great people.

11/12: Our Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. Sunday morning!!! This is a big deal and a lot of fun. We will need all hands on deck to make it click.

11/14: Our welcome back picnic in Sisk Park. Mary-Louise is coordinating this and I am sure it will be a great time. We moved this back three weeks from last year into November

in an effort to get greater attendance and perhaps a bit cooler weather.

12/12: Holiday Dinner Party - always fun!



WHO IS GARY NESSEL?

Gary is one of our newest members. He was born in Portland, Oregon in 1948, but raised in the small coastal town of Yachats, Oregon, population 150. He graduated from high school in 1966 and joined the USAF two years later (to avoid the draft). The Air Force took him to Vietnam in 1969-70. His military career spanned 34 years including service at Luke and Williams Airbases and the Oregon Air National Guard in Portland, Oregon as a jet engine mechanic and later as a quality assurance inspector working mostly on fighter aircraft (F-100, F-101, F4 and F-15's). Following the Air Force, he worked with the Oregon International Air Show for 10 years; the last 7 years as VP of Ground Operations.

Gary serves as a Deacon at Sun Lakes Baptist Church. He married his "Rock," his best friend Jerrine in 1968; they just

celebrated 49 years on March 26th. They have one son who lives in Goodyear. They have two grandchildren. One is pursuing a career in auto mechanics; the other is going to graduate from University of Virginia this year pursuing a career in medicine.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW: JULY 18, 2017

Call-to-Order: **Pres. Peter Meade**

Pledge: **Justin Bro**

Invocation: **Gene Nicholas**

Song Meister: **Norm Noble** "Row, Row, Row Your Boat"

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

BIRTHDAY: NONE

ANNIVERSARY: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Peter encouraged us to read the "It Takes A Community" article in the August Rotarian magazine. He let us know that Phyllis Wochholz is having some medical issues and we will be seeing Hal sparingly. Peter thanked the members who helped in the Child Shopping Spree. He mentioned that our Club is still seeking a Club Vice President; the VP is a fun and very rewarding/fulfilling position! Past Officers can assist you in this position! See Peter if interested. On Wednesday, Oct. 25 we will have a joint dinner meeting with six area Rotary Clubs. The District Governor will be here and it will be an opportunity for us to raise money for PolioPlus! There will be no morning Club meeting that week. Peter shared with us our membership trends and RI Foundation historical info. He let us know that RI is emphasizing adding younger members and women; **Charles Loew** also reaffirmed the need to bring guests to Club Meetings. Peter gave **Bill McCoach** his new Past President badge. We received info on our Club # (it's 23631). Further info will follow on Club projects for this Rotary Year. **Mary Louise Lansbarkis** also shared with us a 1955 RI envelope with a Rotary USA stamp!

HAPPY/SAD DOLLARS

Dee Rasmussen took new member **Myron Harper** under her wing and led the Happy/Sad \$ after telling "old," old-age jokes. "Tooth Doctor" **Rob Romanin** paid his scooter \$ and let us know about **Frank Wiley's** teeth cleaning. **Bob Phillips** was looking forward to his Winged Foot golf outing next week. The US Open will be there in 2020. Our newest member, **Jon Lyons**, was happy that his two child shopping sprees were brief. Dee is upset with the Rotarians spreading knowledge of her love of bacon. **Mary Louise Lansbarkis** proudly announced another new grandchild, a girl, making nine total! She was very sad to announce that her sister has terminal cancer. **Bill McCoach** was elated to not be sitting at the head table and was happy about his just completed European vacation to Portugal, Czech Republic and Germany. **Ed Anderson** was looking forward to this Rotary Year and reminded us that we are much more than a social club...we can make a difference in service! **Frank Wiley** put in 50 cents for Past-President Bill + 50 cents for his child shopping spree. He then told some bowling and golf jokes. **Walt Mills** said some Italian mumbo-jumbo. **Orm Saathoff** was accosted by Dee and he readily admitted he had a wonderful time in Nebraska at a reunion. **Norm Noble** reminded us that Dee cannot be both a grocery bagger and a juicer. Our visiting San Franciscan **Fred** was proud that his daughter was being inducted into Rotary in San Francisco. **Bill Stanicek** paid up for not wearing his pin. **Peter Meade** was forced to pay a fine for not bringing the deck of cards to last week's meeting. He also is driving a new 20-foot van back to AZ from OR. **Myron Harper** lamented that he spent two weeks with **Dick Vogel** last night.



Perfect Attendance

Attendance has always been of hallmark importance in Rotary. Members with perfect attendance were recognized with number of years noted:

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| 3 | Charles Loew | 13 | Doug Baker |
| 5 | Colette McNally | 18 | Dale Rusk |
| 9 | Don Prestin | 21 | Frank Wiley |
| 10 | Walt Mills | 25 | Lew Langer |
| 12 | Norm Noble | 29 | Gene Vogt |

AUGUST EVENTS

- Aug. 1** Hospice of the Valley
- Aug. 8** Alzheimer's Research
- Aug. 15** Club Assembly
- Aug. 22** AZ Education Assoc.

ATTENDANCE JULY 18

Members: 20
Sr. Members: 19
Frequent Visitors: 0
Visiting Rotarians: 0
Guests: 0
Total: 39

RAFFLE WINNER



Don Prestin won the Raffle and received \$10. This means our new President remembered the cards.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE GENE VOGT



29 YEARS!

