


# The Sun Riser

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## Today's Program ROTARIAN DICK VOGEL



Last week, **Norm** Noble introduced Detective Ronald Kelley of the Chandler Police Gang Unit who told us about the history of gangs in Chandler. Detective Kelley has been a police officer for 23 years and is currently assigned to Chandler's gang unit.

One thing he shared that was particularly interesting was that gangs primarily prey upon each other. Doesn't mean we are safe, but it does mean we are not their primary targets.

The major gang problem is in the downtown Chandler core and that's where his unit concentrates. He said that there are approx. 800-1,000 members of the various gangs in Chandler, starting in elementary school and moving up to grandparents.

To date, human trafficking is not a local problem. It's mostly drugs — heroin is the main drug of choice because it is so much cheaper than crack cocaine. MS-13 international criminal gangs are not here (thank goodness). But all-female

ruthless. Ron told us that one 12-year old girl put a hit on him a while back.

Detective Kelley served his country as a U.S. Marine. In 2016, he was named Chandler Police Officer of the year. He is a member of Chandler's SWAT team and serves as a crisis negotiator.



**Phyllis Carr** introduced Ryan Gentry, a senior at Hamilton High School. Ryan is an Interact Assistant Governor and soon-to-be Ambassador to Kenya on a project called "Crutches 4 Africa" that primarily focuses on polio victims. In spontaneous response to a fund drive Ryan is heading, our Club raised \$465 to go toward his \$20,000 goal.



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### Program Overview: March 13, 2018

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

Pledge: **Norm Noble**

Invocation: **Norm Noble**

SongMeister: **Bill Giessing** — "Stars Spangled Banner"

### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

**Birthday:** Landon Osborn Mar. 19

**Anniversary:** Dick & Nadine Vogel Mar. 15



**Sergeant-at-Arms Dee Rasmussen** read a joke sent to her by former Rotarian Bob Heslin. It was an old joke, but Dee thought it was new. Don't spoil it for her.

**Ron Meyer** got into trouble for not hand-delivering the Splash to Dee. **Morris Johnson** has been wired. He says his new Pacemaker works fine. **Myron Harper** warned us about "Smart Aging" and how he had been *milked* out of \$2,500; most of

which he has now recovered. **David Mork**, now back from 5 weeks in Mexico said that to celebrate his (and Sandy's) 50th Wedding Anniversary next year, they will spend 6 weeks in Mexico. By the way, all his Pesos are gone. **Phylliss Carr** reported that **Sandy Lundberg** will be at next week's Rotary meeting. **Rob Romanin** scooted.



The announcements were mostly about the upcoming Golf Tournament. **Bill Schink** reported that we have received \$24,000 in Sponsorships so far! This is OUTSTANDING. The best we have ever done! The Live Auction will be entertaining and the Silent Auction has lined up some worthy items. **Don Bell** said the we have 38 Four-somes so far; hoping for a few more. **Charles Loew** reminded us that the Business Fair will take place on the 20th of the month. He is hoping for good participation.

### MARCH-APRIL EVENTS

**Mar. 20** Club Day

**Mar. 27** Linda Robson

**Apr. 3** 4-Way Test Contest

### ATTENDANCE MARCH 6

Members: 329

Sr. Members: 18

Frequent Visitors: 3

Visiting Rotarians: 1

Guests: 8

**Total: 59**

### Rotarian of the Month

**Bill Schink**



Is she whispering something or giving him a kiss?

Adrian Christopher has indicated his interest in becoming a member of our Club



"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America." And almost as if it were planned, we sang "The Stars Spangled Banner" immediately afterward.

Editor's Note: I am so proud to be a part of an organization that pledges allegiance to the flag and our country at every meeting.

### WINNER

**Dick Thomas** drew the Three of Diamond! He won Ten Bucks.

Now, there are only 51 cards (including the Joker) left in the deck.

