


# The Sun Riser

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## Today's Program CLUB DAY

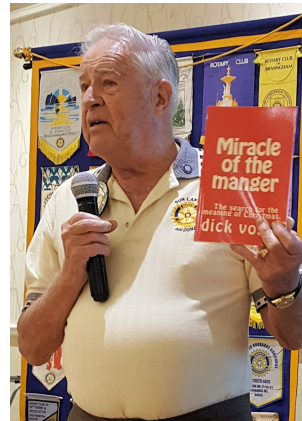


**Norm Noble** introduced Chicagoan, 55-year Rotarian **Dick Vogel**, who spoke about the H Bomb development after WW II. Dick holds a BS in Mathematics from Colorado A & M and a Masters from New Mexico; he has two children. Dick first gave us background on the 10-year-old Hearts & Minds Afghanistan school program in which our Club stepped up and supported an Afghan school and its students. He was also selling his book "Miracle of the Manger" for \$10, with 100% proceeds going to PolioPlus. Dick showed us a video of the first 10 megaton hydrogen bomb test. He introduced the Teller-Ulam design of the H bomb, which allowed an initial bomb explosion to detonate the secondary main H bomb. The "Ivy Mike" 1952 bomb test generated a massive crater, in which 14 Pentagon buildings could fit in it.

After college graduation, Dick joined the US Navy and with his math expertise became a naval weatherman. He joined the New Mexico Los Alamos Scientific Lab in 1957 as a computer programmer and worked there for three

years. The place was overrun with PHD's. There he first used a Maniac computer and then progressed to an IBM 704 computer. Initially, he did some joint work with crystallographer Dr. Charles Kempter and, as a result, was nominated for the Lawrence Award X Ray Crystallographer; he was then promoted to Staff Scientist!

He saw the H bomb "Hardtack" H bomb test explosion at Eniwetok Atoll in 1958. Radioactive fallout was a concern and he helped project and monitor results. The Atoll was 500 miles west of the USA West coastline. Upon detonation, the whole sky lit up and the cool breeze turned hot even though he was 10+ miles from the detonation. After detonation, he turned around to see it and it was "the day the sun came to the Earth." A massive shock wave startled him and the nearby lagoon went high and dry. A tsunami came in and waves rushed back and forth. He sat in awe watching the explosion, transfixed by the entire event.



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### Program Overview: March 13, 2018

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

Pledge: **Norm Noble/Dee Rasmussen**

Invocation: **Frank Wiley**

SongMeister: **John Maxwell** — "Let There be Peace on Earth"

### MARCH-APRIL EVENTS

- Mar. 27** Linda Robson
- Apr. 3** 4-Way Test Contest
- Apr. 10** Herb Zinn

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

**Birthday:** Landon Osborn Mar. 19

**Anniversary:**



**Sergeant-at-Arms Dee** accosted **Dick Vogel** who paid \$5 for his 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary + a \$1 fine for bad-mouthing. **Rob Romanin** paid his usual scootin' dollar. **Colette** contributed \$5, recognizing **Peter Meade** who changed her flat tire! Thanks Peter! **Norm Riffel** contributed, celebrating his \$500 winning golf ball drop! **John McKoy** proudly recognized his wife, Sharon, who won a Crystal

Award + he gave a \$100 TRF contribution! **Julian Pickens** put in \$2 for wearing pajamas to Rotary. **Orm Saathoff** sadly announced his son's death and he thanked all who had extended their condolences. **Ed Anderson** proudly announced that his spouse Elaine's agency won multiple gold and bronze awards. **Frank Wiley** extended his congratulations to the golf outing's silent auction effort and said his golf team got lucky! **Don Denkinger** scooted early to a golf date. **Bill Crump** extolled the teacher and 1<sup>st</sup> grade AWIM class and **Don Robins** said the teacher would be at our Club Meeting next week. **Jon Lyons** was elated that the charity golf tourney was over. **David Mork** was happy that the Oakwood Niners would join the Hamilton HS golfers in a fundraiser. **Bill Kursinsky** was \$5 happy to be the greeter today. **Howard Rudge** was happy to have survived the social cruise. **Mary Louise Lansbarkis** complimented our members on the charity golf outing. Our potential Rotarian Dave was happy to be with us! **Norm Noble** lamented that he mistakenly won the Chandler Police firearms auction item at \$500!

### ATTENDANCE MARCH 13

Members: 39  
 Sr. Members: 24  
 Frequent Visitors: 3  
 Visiting Rotarians: 3  
 Guests: 5  
**Total: 73**

### Rotarian of the Month

## Bill Schink



Adrian Christopher and Larry Ott have indicated their interest in becoming members of our Club



**Bill Schink** thanked all, and especially the Golf Committee, for the outstanding effort and results of the charity golf outing, which will likely be our largest revenue generator of all time! About a dozen silent auction items were not bid, so they will go on to the Pancake Breakfast or be sold separately. Golf Ball Drop winners included, from 6<sup>th</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup>, **Fred Crist, Don Bell, Steve Stumpff, Don Prestin, Ed Anderson, and Norm Riffel**. In the Bazooka shoot, there was a miraculous hole-in-one! Next year's golf fundraiser will be on March 24, 2019. The Dinner & Movie social and fundraiser is coming up soon on March 17<sup>th</sup>; see **Mary Louise**. The friendship Australian team overview is at Netzel's on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

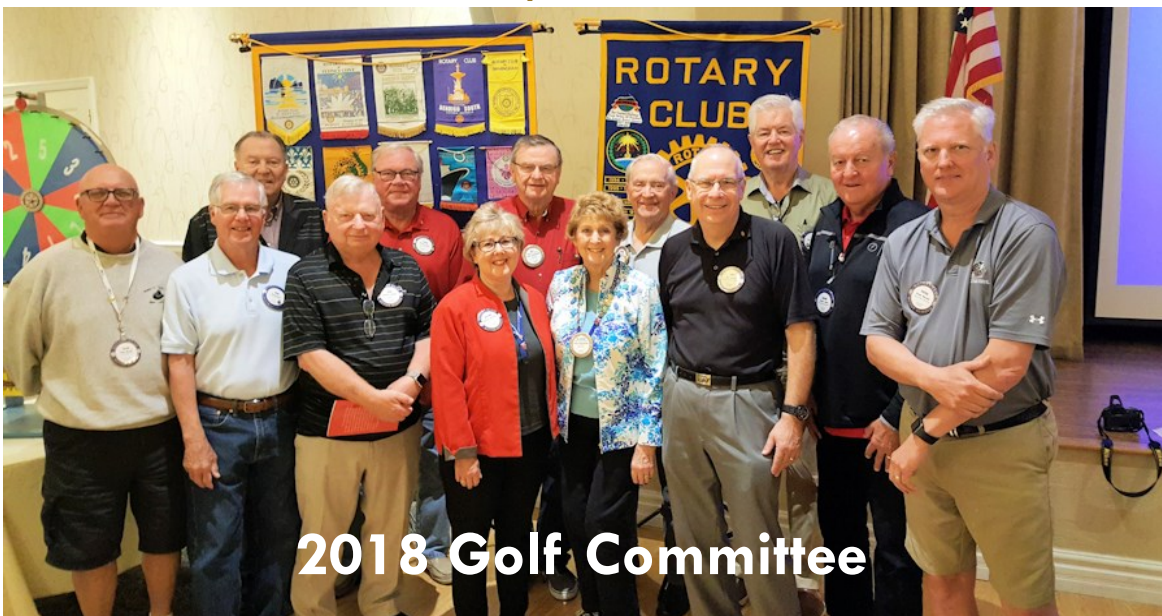
**It was the most successful Charity Golf Tournament in our history. The final numbers aren't in yet, but we expect our net income will exceed \$50,000.**

**THANKS, EVERYONE for what you did to achieve this kind of success!**

### WINNER

**Don Robins**

drew the Jack of Diamond!  
 He won Ten Bucks. Now, there are only 50 cards left.



## 2018 Golf Committee

