

# The Sun Riser

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Rotary Club of Sun Lakes, Arizona, USA 

## Today's Event Jim Bishop (CUSD)



Lana Berry, CFO of the Chandler Unified School District (CUSD), talked to us about "School Finance Basics." Lana oversees accounting, financial reporting, payroll, transportation, food & nutrition, budget control, risk management and auditing functions of the district. School budgets are ruled by AZ Statute Statute 15. Arizona funds schools based on the number of students in classrooms, number of miles students transported, and local support (Override). These determine the budget limit which is a fixed amount. Funding of schools has evolved over time. There has been a gradual increase in AZ State assistance and control with a higher level of equity between school districts. Funding comes from Local Taxes, Federal Impact Aid, State Equalization, County Equalization, State Grants, Federal Grants, and Cash Funds. The funding breaks down to roughly 55% State funding and 45% Local contributions/funding. Over 70% of funding goes directly toward student support. There are slight differences between funding for Charter schools and Public School Districts. CUSD has enjoyed higher test scores than the average Charter school and AZ State averages. *Congrats to CUSD!*

A CUSD Override will be on the ballot this Fall. CUSD has had Override funding since 1989. The need for an Override has arisen from economy shortfalls, reduced revenues, added spending, State actions, constraints imposed by the voters and the Federal Government.

### SOME DISTRESSFUL NEWS

**Phyllis Carr** told us that **Sandy Lundberg** is being treated for carcinoid cancer found on her spine. But knowing Sandy like we do, she has a positive outlook. So do we. Like every other thing she has battled in her life, SHE WILL WIN!

Cards for Sandy can be sent to her home at **6190 E. Southern Ave, Apache Junction, 85119.**

We also have learned that **Orm** and Margaret **Saathoff's** son is battling clear cell carcinoma of the kidney. Their son is 59 years old and an officer at West Point. He is receiving care at Cedar Sinai in Washington DC.

And as we learned a month ago, **Ron Meyer's** wife Marci recently was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and is recovering in Iowa from surgery to remove the cancer.

**These are our friends. Let them know we are thinking of them.**

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW: SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

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

Pledge: **Craig Gilbert**

Invocation: **Colette McNally**

Song Meister: **Norm Noble/Howard Rudge** "You are my Sunshine"

## OCTOBER EVENTS

- Oct. 3** Terry Kimble
- Oct. 10** Bob Bishop
- Oct. 17** Club Day
- Oct. 24** District Gov. Dinner

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

**BIRTHDAY: NONE**

**ANNIVERSARY: Sandy & William Lundberg** Sept. 27

### ATTENDANCE SEPTEMBER 12

Members: 26  
 Sr. Members: 18  
 Frequent Visitors: 0  
 Visiting Rotarians: 0  
 Guests: 1  
**Total: 45**



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Peter** started us off with the good news that **Greg Jewell** will be our VP. We are excited because Greg will do an excellent job! **John McKoy** shared with us a thank you note from the East Valley Adult Resources Center in Mesa; we worked with others on a grant for this Center that supports older adults. **Don Robins** and **Marge Wright** presented the Club with the Sedona Rotary Club banner. **Doug Baker** said the Splash should be in the locker next Thursday and to try and deliver the Splash by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. The **Welcome Back Picnic** is on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at Sisk Park in Palo Verde; it's \$5/person. Get your money, number of attendees and choice of brats or hamburgers to **Mary Louise Lansbarkis**.

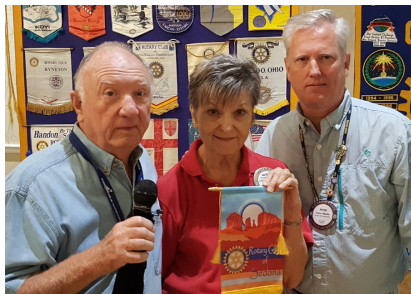
**WINNER!**  
**Howard Rudge** chose the 8 of Clubs. There are 35 cards left. One of them is the JOKER.




### HAPPY/SAD

**Sergeant-at-Arms Dee Rasmussen** swindled twin **DeeAnne Hawkins** into helping her with panhandling. Spinning, **Roger Edmonds** spun for his upcoming Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> birthday for \$5 (since he will be gone in October) and **Dale Rusk** spun for his 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary, paying \$4 and \$50 for TRF. **Dale** was elated to receive a special cremation discount deal. **Toothy Rob Romanin** paid his usual scooter \$. **Fred Crist** got into trouble by slamming the door in Dee's face. He's not even a member and already in trouble. **Marge Wright** was happy with her Canadian sisters' reunion, with only one scar and ensuring that what happens in Canada stays in Canada. **Gene Vogt** paid up for no badge. **Doug Baker** was sad that his 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary passed with his wife gone, but happy with his 8<sup>th</sup> great-grandchild. **Ed Anderson** had to pay up for scootering last meeting without paying. Ed also encouraged members to be a Choices teacher; we need the help! Also the Pancake Breakfast is Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> so please sign up for specific jobs to help out. **Skinky Bill Schink** is back and he happily contributed for his happy summer in MI. **John McKoy** scored points by calling Dee a young lady (John, please stay away from the Bloody Marys before Rotary). John and Sharon are leaving on a trip soon to celebrate their new great-grandchild! **Howard Rudge** was glad to be back and breathing lower altitude air. **Don Robins** was elated with his Detroit Lions recent victory + his grandson getting a job at local AZSports. **Lew Langer** was glad that the **Oregon Ducks Quacker Club** could celebrate another **Duck** victory.

**Please consider these two prospective members:**  
**Alex Daniel and Fred Crist**

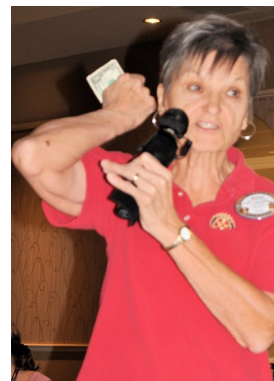


### DYNAMIC DUO



**Norm Noble** and **Howard Rudge** teamed up to lead the singing of "You are My Sunshine." It turns out that **Howard** has a great solo voice. He shares his talent every Thursday at Hawthorn Court in Ahwatukee) where he sings lots of the "oldies" for the residents. You will be hearing more from him here when he leads the singing — for our residents.

Not bad for a top-flight Lawyer!



### News from three of our team

**From Doug (Splash) From Marge (No Pain) From ML (FOOD)**