



# News Horizons

The Voice of the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club



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SAN MARCOS GOLF COURSE

Jim Hoenig, Editor

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## Good Morning!

### Welcome to Chandler Horizon Rotary



#### Opening Exercises

Pledge: Joel Moorhead  
Prayer: Theresa Clemmons  
Songs: Larry Gardner  
Sgt.-at-Arms: Will Coakley

#### Program

Courtney Harper from Home Watch and Caregivers of Chandler and Sun Lakes will tell us about "Memory Lane Games." She also is a Sun Lakes Rotarian.

## Last Week

### Visiting Rotarian

The only visiting Rotarian who made up with us last week was Assistant Governor Jon Lyons from Sun Lakes. In addition, Susan Gibson was a guest of Tim.

### Missing in Action

Thirteen members were absent: Courtney Banach, James Caskey, Joseph Caskey, Theresa Clemmons, Will Coakley, James DeVary, Jonathan Downs, Roger Morsch, Loren Philpot, Lori Pierce, Marques Reischl, Ron Stevens and Kimberly Williams-Branch.

### Make-Up

Soo Stevens-Clarke made up at the Rotary International Convention in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

### Song Fines & Such

President Chuck Ertl conducted the meeting, Larry Gardner led us in song and Jim Hoenig conducted the fine session, starting off the new Rotary year.

Terry Locke won the Exempt badge after moderate bidding. He paid \$20 for it. Then he donated \$5 for his mom. He offset some of that by winning the 50-50 drawing, collecting \$15 there.

Larry Gardner paid \$20 in thanks for Chuck Ertl agreeing to serve a second year as president.

Chandra Toy paid \$5 for Chuck, for Candace Lansberry and also for a trip to Montana, the Grand Tetons and Virginia.

Candace Lansberry paid \$20 for Chuck, for her daughter's birthday and for an upcoming trip to England and Ireland.

Jim Hoenig paid \$2 for Chuck and because he is enjoying having his daughter, Julie, visiting for the summer.

Joel Moorhead paid \$2 for Chuck and for surviving a harrowing trip to Panama.

Sanjay Patel paid \$4 for Chuck and a trip to Los Angeles.

Chuy Ortiz paid for a trip to the Cascades.

Jim Patmos paid \$5 for Chuck and also for getting a Paul Harris Fellow for his grandson, Tim Hinchman, who was visiting Jim and Mary Kay.

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### Program

Chuck Ertl concluded his first year as president of the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club on June 30. First is the key word. Because of a lack of candidates, he has agreed to stay on for another year as our leader.



Past President Brad Raymond (left) presents President Chuck Ertl a plaque recognizing Chuck's year of service.

Thus we didn't have a Changing of the Guard this year. Past President Brad Raymond presented Pres. Chuck a plaque recognizing his past year of service.

Pres. Chuck noted this is the first time he has been president of anything. CHRC members thank him for his dedication and service.

He noted the work Rotary International does throughout the world, notably with the eradication of polio. Having mostly accomplished that goal, RI is now seeking other areas in which Rotarians might be of service, including, among others, the eradication of malaria.

Pres. Chuck hopes we might become even more energetic in our efforts to aid the community, whether it be by feeding the hungry, finding shelter for the homeless or providing water during high heat.

He noted the RI theme for this year: "Unite for Good." He said his own theme for our club might be "The Road Ahead." He issued a membership challenge to the club, hoping we might have a net gain of five members this year.

He called on Membership Chair Jim Patmos who talked about bringing in new members and retaining those who are already here.

President Chuck noted all that Rotary does

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## Next Week Opening Exercises

Pledge: Loren Philpot  
Prayer: Theresa Clemmons  
Songs: Larry Gardner  
Sgt. at Arms: James Caskey

### Program

Maddie Lawler will join us to tell us about the First Tee program at San Marcos that offers instruction for youth not only to improve their golf game but also help them build the strength of character that will empower them through a lifetime of new challenges.

### Looking Ahead

#### July 23

Chandler Horizon Secretary Soo Stevens-Clarke has returned from Calgary, Alberta, Canada, where she attended the annual Rotary International Convention. She will give us a full report on activities there and also about her trip.

#### July 30

Since this is the fifth Wednesday of the month, we will not have a regular meeting. However, a club social is being planned for some evening during that week. We hope everyone will attend. Bring spouses and friends.

#### August 6

This is the week many of us have been waiting for...the presentation of the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club Sinner of the Year Award for the 2024-2025 Rotary year. Will James DeVary win for a second straight year; will Roger Morsch finally win for a fifth time, or will someone else capture the coveted plaque. Stay tuned!

## 4-Way Test Award

Nominations are open for the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club 4-Way Test Award for the 2024-2025 Rotary year. The award is given annually to a Chandler Horizon Rotarian who best exemplifies the tenets of the 4-Way Test.

Previous winners are not eligible.

Previous winners of the award are Roger Bonngard, Larry Gardner, Dede Combs, Doug Bonngard, Pat Willigrod, James Caskey, Jim Hoenig, Marty Herder, Phil Lewis, Jim Patmos, Kristel Patton, Donna Weaver, Steve Hewitt, Ron Stevens, Roger Morsch, Doug Gardner, Theresa Clemmons, Greg Thornton, Soo Stevens-Clarke, Terry Locke, James DeVary and Brad Raymond.

Please send your nomination for this year's award to Jim Hoenig no later than next week's meeting.



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Rotary District 5495  
Mesa West  
Jon Lyons  
Assistant District Governor  
Sun Lakes

#### THE FOUR WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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**At-Large Board Members**  
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Roger Morsch  
Tim Gibson

### CHUCK ERTL

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throughout the world, not only working toward the elimination of polio; but also to provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene; save mothers and children; support education; grow local economies and promote peace.

He discussed the two grants we completed, one for the Chandler Unified School District and another for the Precious Kids Foundation. Hopefully more are on the way this year.

He feels we had a variety of interesting weekly programs and hopes that might continue.

He hopes we can continue having club socials on a quarterly basis and continue our service projects. He had hoped we might have

### SONGS, FINES & SUCH

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Azita Dehkordi paid \$5 because she was happy to join us.

Tim Gibson paid \$5 because he was glad Susan could join us.

Brad Raymond paid \$5 for a trip to the cabin, for having only a month left on jury duty and also cutting his losses.

And AG Jon Lyons paid \$10 because he was glad to be here.

four this past year, but we wound up with 24 of varying types.

He also hopes we might get our website up and operating in a more effective way.

Five members attended the annual District Conference. Soo Stevens-Clarke was the only member who attended the Rotary International Convention in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Pres. Chuck talked about our two major events: our annual Golf Classic and the Chili Cookoff. The Golf Classic was successful, but he hopes we might gain more sponsorships and sell more ball drop tickets.

The Chili Cookoff was held at a new venue this past year. It was successful but there is room for more ticket sales and participation.

He thanked Assistant Governor Jon Lyons for his support.

And he thanked all members for their dedication and support. "Rotary is not something we do," he said. "It's who we are."

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

### CHRC Members Participate in Back Pack Project



Chandler Horizon Rotary Club members Soo Stevens-Clarke (left in photo) and Azita Dehkordi participated in preliminary stages of the Back to School Back Pack project last week at Compass Christian Church.

Monday they counted and sorted donations. Last Wednesday and yesterday they helped stuff the back packs that will be distributed to students this coming Saturday, July 12.

### Thought for the Day

Motivation is what gets you started.  
Commitment is what keeps you going.  
**Harvey Mackay**

### MEMBERSHIP

Name of Rotarian (Spouse).....	Classification
Courtney Banach .....	Engineer - Construction
* James Caskey .....	Mortgage Banker
Joseph Caskey .....	Mortgage Broker
* Theresa Clemmons (Jeff) .....	Wealth Management
Will Coakley (Wendy) .....	Banking - Underwriting
Azita Dehkordi (Sam) .....	Honorary Member
James DeVary (Analaura) .....	Caregiving Services
Jonathan Downs .....	Financial Advisor
Chuck Ertl (Paula) .....	Banking - Commercial
* Larry Gardner (Teddi) .....	Senior Active
* Tim Gibson (Susan) .....	Landscape Maintenance
* Marty Herder (Ann) .....	Court Reporter
* Jim Hoenig .....	Editor
Candace Lansberry (Mark) .....	Clergy - Methodist
* Terry Locke (Ellen) .....	Education - Youth Services
Joel Moorhead (Laura) .....	Repair Services
* Roger Morsch (Mitsi) .....	Property/Casualty Insurance
* Precious Proscovia Namazzi .....	Honorary Member
* Jesus Ortiz (Deirdre) .....	Senior Active
* SanJay Patel .....	Solar Energy - Residential
* Jim Patmos (Mary Kay) .....	Education - Public
* Loren Philpot (Stephanie) .....	Clergy - Salvation Army
¶ Lori Pierce (Travis) .....	Printing - Commercial
* Brad Raymond (Sandra) .....	Banking - Small Business
¶ Marques Reischl (Meredith) .....	Education - Secondary
¶ Ron Stevens (Chris) .....	Stocks & Bonds
¶ Soo-San Stevens-Clarke (Jolyon) .....	Multicultural Education
¶ Chandra Toy .....	U.S. Army (retired)
* Kimberly Williams Branch (Eric) .....	Manufacturing - CPG

• = Charter Member      \* = Past President      # = Past District Governor  
¶ = Paul Harris Fellow      \$ = Paul Harris Sustaining Member      \* = Major Donor  
◆ = Paul Harris Society      ♦ = Rotary Benefactor      ‡ = Bequest Society  
\* = Arch Klumph Society

### NEARBY CLUBS

Rotary Meeting Information • 602-604-8221

KYRENE CORRIDOR	Monday 12:10 p.m.	Olive Garden (Elliot)
SUN LAKES	Tuesday (1 & 3) 7:00 a.m.	Cottonwood Country Club
	Tuesday (2 & 4) 4:30 p.m.	Cottonwood Country Club
CHANDLER	Tuesday 12:00 noon	San Marcos Golf Course
MESA BASELINE	Tuesday 12:10 p.m.	Mesa Country Club
SUPERSTITION MOUNTAIN	Wednesday 12:00 noon	Gold Canyon Resort
MESA	Wednesday 12:10 p.m.	Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa
GILBERT	Thursday 7:00 a.m.	The Nook
TEMPE RIO SALADO	Thursday 7:00 a.m.	Denny's
MESA WEST	Thursday 12:10 p.m.	Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa
TEMPE DOWNTOWN	Thursday 6:15 p.m.	Macayo's
TEMPE SOUTH	Friday 6:45 a.m.	Friendship Village
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