



# 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: Lori Pierce  
Prayer: Jonathan Downs  
Songs: Larry Gardner  
Sgt.-at-Arms: James Caskey

#### Program

CHRC Secretary Soo Stevens-Clarke will tell us about the Rotary International Convention which she attended in Calgary, Alberta, Canada in May.

## Last Week

### No Visiting Rotarians

No visiting Rotarians made up with us last week.

### Missing in Action

Fourteen members were absent: President Chuck Ertl, Courtney Banach, Joseph Caskey, Theresa Clemmons, James DeVary, Marty Herder, Candace Lansberry, Roger Morsch, Jim Patmos, Lori Pierce, Marques Reischl, Ron Stevens, Chandra Toy and Kimberly Williams-Branch.

### No Make-Ups

No make-ups were reported.

### Song Fines & Such

In the absence of vacationing President Chuck Ertl, Past President Brad Raymond conducted the meeting, Larry Gardner led us in song and James Caskey conducted the fine session.

Chuy Ortiz paid \$2 for being here.

Jonathan Downs paid \$5 for a friend of his being selected by the California Angels in the baseball draft.

Loren Philpot paid \$2 for the beginning of school, noting his son will be a sophomore in high school.

Larry Gardner paid \$20 for the First Tee program and for being surprised with the Service Above Self Award.

James Caskey paid \$5 and Sanjay Patel \$3 for the First Tee program.

Will Coakley paid \$20 for a vacation trip, for the First Tee program, for Terry Locke and for Larry Gardner.

Brad Raymond paid \$5 for Terry Locke, for Larry Gardner and for the First Tee program.

Jim Hoenig paid \$3 for Terry Locke and his family and for Larry Gardner.

Tim Gibson paid \$5 for Terry Locke, the flood-in in Texas and for the volunteers.

Amd Tim Gibson won \$5 in the 50-50 drawing.



Past President Brad Raymond (center) thanks Maddie Lawler (right) and Jamie Brewington for their presentation.

### Program

Maddie Lawler and Jamie Brewington presented a program on First Tee Phoenix, which serves 14 valley golf course locations. They were introduced by Soo Stevens-Clarke.

Jamie is Regional Coordinator for First Tee. He handles clubs in the southeast Valley, including San Marcos; while Maddie is Site Coordinator for the program at San Marcos.

They described their experiences working with youngsters from all backgrounds of life and in different age groups. Jamie talked about working with 7-9 year-olds like "herding cats." Youngsters are not only divided into the 7-9 age group, but also 10-11, 12-13 and 14+.

The program is designed not only to provide golf instruction to youngsters, many of whom come from an under-privileged background, but also to help them build confidence, develop life skills and uncover their full potential.

First Tee reached 97,000+ total youth in 2024 with a 56 percent annual retention rate. A total of 324 on-course classes were offered by 62 trained, active coaches.

There were 11 college scholarship recipients in the class of 2024 for a total of \$82,750. Seven teens were selected for a lifetime experience at First Tee national leadership and golf events.

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## Next Week • No Meeting Club Social

Since this is the fifth Wednesday of the month, we will not have a regular meeting. However, a club social will be held from 5-7 p.m. at Texas Roadhouse, 3961 South Gilbert Road in Gilbert. We hope everyone will attend. Bring spouses and friends.

## Next Meeting • August 6 Opening Exercises

Pledge: Roger Morsch  
Prayer: Marty Herder  
Songs: Larry Gardner  
Sgt. at Arms: Jim Hoenig

### Program

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. Don't miss it if you can.

## Looking Ahead

August 13

Amber Kovarik • George & Gather

## Board Meeting

Postponed earlier, the regular monthly meeting of the new Chandler Horizon Rotary Club board of directors will be held next Monday, July 28, at 6:50 a.m. Check your emails for the link to join the virtual event.

## Service Above Self Award

PP Larry Gardner was presented the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club Service Above Self Award for the 2024-2025 Rotary year at last week's meeting. The award was presented by PP Jim Hoenig.



Past President Jim Hoenig (right) thanks Larry Gardner for his Service Above Self Award.

The Service Above Self Award was created three years ago as an accompaniment to the 4-Way Test Award that is given each year to a Chandler Horizon Rotarian who best exemplifies the tenets of the Rotary 4-Way Test. No Rotarian may receive that award more than once.

The Service Above Self Award may be re-  
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## Thought for the Day

Overcoming procrastination helps your to-do list to become your all-done list.

*Harvey Mackay*



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#### 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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### OFFICERS & AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBERS

#### President

Chuck Ertl

#### Secretary

Soo-San Stevens-Clarke

#### Treasurer

Brad Raymond

#### At-Large Board Members

Will Coakley

Lori Pierce

Marty Herder

#### President Elect

Candace Lansberry

#### FOUNDATION BOARD

Jim Hoenig, Chair

Ron Stevens, Treasurer

Chuck Ertl

James Caskey

Roger Morsch

Tim Gibson

### SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARD

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ceived more than once by a Chandler Horizon Rotarian who best exemplifies the tenets of the Rotary Service Above Self motto.

James Caskey was the winner the first two years the award was presented and Ron Stevens won last year. These candidates were bolstered by their particular service to the Chandler Horizon Rotary

### FIRST TEE

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Volunteers are needed in a variety of ways. They help set up and tear down, assist with instruction, keep score during tournaments, and help promote the true values of sportsmanship and fair play.

There is individual as well as group instruction. Volunteers help keep kids on track and focused. Many volunteers assist by donating cash or golf items.

The cost is \$196 annually. Scholarships are available for those who need them.

If you would like to volunteer, simply call 602-305-7655 or contact the First Tee online at [first-teephoenix.org/volunteer](http://first-teephoenix.org/volunteer) and a Volunteer Coordinator will contact you with opportunities.

#### Golf Classic.

Larry's award also was tied in part to this past year's Golf Classic particularly for his collaboration with Soo Stevens-Clarke on the Helicopter Ball Drop ticket sales. But that wasn't his only attribute. Although he retired as longtime treasurer of the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club, Larry has continued to support new treasurer Brad Raymond while serving as song leader at our club meetings, all while dealing with a severe case of neuropathy.

Larry expressed surprise at the honor, but thanked club members for thinking of him.

Those who attend our meetings on a regular basis know full well of Larry's dedication to Rotary in general and the Chandler Horizon Rotary Club in particular. We thank him for his continued service.

### Fry's Gives Back

We have received our quarterly check from Kroger for the Fry's Gives Back program, this time in the amount of \$37.44. If you would like to participate, stop by the service desk the next time you shop at Fry's and sign up.



### 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
¶ 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
¶ = Paul Harris Fellow	§ = Paul Harris Sustaining Member
◆ = Paul Harris Society	◆ = Rotary Benefactor
	‡ = Bequest Society
	✳ = Arch Klumph Society

Additional Paul Harris Fellows: Sanders Achen, Judith Anick, Lee Barnes\*, Christine Bonngard, Collin Bonngard, Doug Bonngard, Jordyn Bonngard, Nancy Bonngard, Patti Bonngard, Roger Bonngard\*, Jensen Brent, Barb Cadle, Stephanie Caskey, Jeff Clemmons, Marti Jo Clouse, Bob Coombs\*, Dede Coombs\*, Gail Coombs, John Coombs, Rob Coombs, Leah Cottingham\*, William Cottingham\*, Anbar Dorothy Cotton, Zaynab Martha Cotton, Todd DeGain\*, Don Eklund, Joy Fitzpatrick, Patrick Foley, Donald Forsythe\*, Vera Forsythe, Carl Gardner\*, Kaye Gardner\*, Teddi Gardner, Edward Gerrow\*, Susan Gerrow, Susan Gibson, Stephanie Hagstrom, Kylene Hathaway, Jennifer Hazelwood, Ann Herder, Amy Lynne Hinchman, Timothy Hinchman, Janis Hoenig\*, Hannah Holbert, Julie Howard, Agnes Hyde\*, Emory James Hyde\*, Tiffany Jones, Randy Kiesel, Richard Lackie\*, Cindy Lewis, Phil Lewis, Kristin Lindsey, Richard Malcolm\*, Jaslyn McGraw, John McVey\*, Leanne Miller, Kathy Morenc, Nick Morenc, Ana Ortiz, Cristina Ortiz, Dede Ortiz, Alyssa Patmos, Dr. Bernard Patmos\*, Frances Hyde Patmos\*, Joseph Patmos\*, Kristine Patmos, Lucy Patmos\*, Mary Kay Patmos, Trudy Patmos, Kristel Patton, Betsy Powell, Kristen Powell, Juliet Adelaide Rice, Pam Rienke and Hope, Kenny Rogers, Bill Ryan, Jared Ryan, Sharon Ryan\*, Teresa Schyberg, John Simonson, Elizabeth Jane Smith\*, Chris Stevens, Patsy Thomas\*, Bridget Valenciano, Donna Weaver, Ken Weaver\*, Lisa Ryan Whyte, Jack Williams, Teri Williams, Krystal Wilkinson, David Willigrod, Pat Willigrod, Jack Williams, Amber Wills.

\* - Deceased.

Additional Sustaining Members: Allen Caskey, Gaby Herder, Jeff Hoenig.

### 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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