



## Bob Barrett

Mayor Barrett was first elected to the City Council representing the Ironwood District in 2001 and was reelected to a second term in 2004. A resident of Peoria since 1993, Mayor Barrett served in the US Army and was awarded the Bronze Star in Vietnam in 1971. Mayor Barrett graduated with honors from Arizona State University with a degree in Mass Communications-Journalism and worked for the Arizona Republic for more than 20 years as a magazine writer, reporter and editor. He currently works in the Communications Department of Central Arizona Project. Mayor Barrett received the Meritorious Service Medal-National Guard in 2001 and was Media Relations Coordinator for the International

Workshop for Emergency Response. He is a member of the International Association of Business Communicators, the Public Relations Society of America, Colorado River Water Users Association, Valley Forward, and has served as the Chairman-Media Relations for the Statewide Emergency Taskforce. He served as Vice Mayor from 2003-2004 and 2005-2006 when he resigned to run for mayor. He also served as Chairperson of the Not-for-Profit subcommittee and Chairperson of the Boards and Commissions subcommittee of the City Council. He is currently a member of the Peoria Sunrise Lions Club and is a Melvin Jones Fellow.



## Cathy Carlat

### Vice Mayor

### Mesquite District

Cathy Carlat was elected to the Peoria City Council representing the Mesquite District in 2005. She was born and raised in the Valley, graduating from Paradise Valley High School. Councilor Carlat moved to Texas in 1984 and has been a Peoria resident since returning to Arizona in 2001. Cathy and her husband Dennis have two children Adam, 20 and Natalie, 13. As a businesswoman, Councilor Carlat has spent many years in management, including positions as a District Manager for a Fortune 500 Company and Vice President of a real estate leasing firm. She was also the owner of her own

business for six years in Dallas, Texas. She currently works in the Communications Department of Central Arizona Project managing special events and public relations. Prior to running for office, Councilor Carlat served on the Mayor's Ad Hoc Rose Valley Water Committee. Councilor Carlat also serves as Chair of the Council Ad Hoc Recycling Subcommittee and is a member of the Council Subcommittee of Boards and Commissions, which screens residents who are seeking appointments.



## Vicki Hunt

### Acacia District

As a native to the West Valley, Vicki Hunt was elected to City Council in 2003 representing the Acacia District. Councilor Hunt retired as an educator, completing her award-winning career in the classroom at Peoria High School where she taught English. She is also a published writer and editor of educational materials. Councilor Hunt opened the Old Town Bed and Breakfast in the downtown area of Peoria after her retirement. She and her husband operated the business until they sold it in 2006. She earned her Bachelor's Degree in English at Grand Canyon College, and subsequently graduated from Chapman University Summa Cum Laude with a Master's in Curriculum and Instruction. She also did

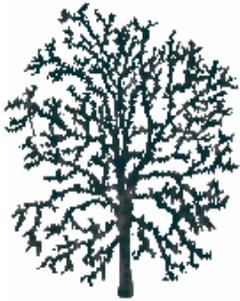
advanced graduate work at Bread Loaf School of English in Vermont and Oxford University in England. Councilor Hunt's family includes her husband Tom, three grown children and four beautiful grandchildren. Councilor Hunt's past and current community involvement includes: State Participation: Arizona English Teachers Association - 1984-2000; Regional Participation: Commissioner, WESTMARC Enterprise Zone Commission - 2005-Present; Peoria Participation: Board of Directors, Theater Works - 2003-2005; Member, Peoria Historical Society - 1998-Present; Member, Peoria Women's Club - 2001-Present; President, Peoria Main Street Partnership - 2002-2003; Board of Directors, Friends of Peoria Public Library - 2002-Present; Member, Peoria Rotary Club - 2003-Present; City Participation: Co-Chair, Central Peoria Revitalization Ad Hoc Committee - 2001-2003; Graduate, City of Peoria's Inaugural Leadership Institute - Spring 2002; Member, Not-for-Profit Funding subcommittee - 2004-Present; Member, Boards and Commissions subcommittee - 2003-Present; Council Liaison, Economic Development Advisory Board - 2004-Present; Chair - Ethic Committee.



**Dave Pearson**  
**Councilmember**  
**Ironwood District**

Councilor Dave Pearson was elected in November 2006 and re-elected in 2008 to represent the Ironwood Council District. He previously served two terms on the Peoria City Council from June 1991 through June 1997, and was Vice Mayor in 1993. Councilor Pearson was Chairperson of the Peoria Municipal Sports Complex Authority during the construction of the Peoria Sports Complex, the spring training site of the San Diego Padres and the Seattle Mariners Major League Baseball teams. He was also a founding member of the Peoria Diamond Club, a major community volunteer group. He has served on the Peoria Housing Commission and various other civic and bond committees.

Councilor Pearson is currently a teacher/librarian in the Peoria Unified School District where he has been an educator for 26 years. Prior to teaching, Mr. Pearson was a newspaper reporter and editor. He holds a bachelor's degree in journalism and elementary education from Arizona State University and holds a school library endorsement from the State of Arizona. He is a 19 year resident of Peoria where he and his wife have raised three children.



**Ron Aames**  
**Councilmember**  
**Palo Verde District**

Councilor Ron Aames joined the Peoria City Council on January 2, 2007 as the representative of the Palo Verde District. He was elected to a four year term in November 2006. His goal is to champion the needs and wishes of his fellow citizens in the Palo Verde District and Peoria. Ron and wife Jacqueline, who is a college professor and writer, moved to Arizona and Peoria in August 2002. They both love the variety and wonderful climate of the Valley of the Sun. They have a large extended family in the Northwest Valley. Educationally, Councilor Aames has a background in planning and city development, areas he anticipates will benefit him in

his work as a councilmember. His degrees include a Ph.D., which focused on urban development, from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and a Master's from California State Polytechnic University-Pomona, which focused on transportation planning. In business, Councilor Aames has been a corporate executive for hi-tech, banking, and marketing companies. In the marketing area, he was a managing consultant for eight years for The Gallup Organization, where his clients included federal government agencies. Councilor Aames is currently an independent marketing consultant.



**Carlo Leone**  
**Councilmember**  
**Pine District**

First elected in 1999 as the Pine District representative to the Peoria City Council, Councilor Leone was re-elected in 2003 and 2006. He and his wife, Joan, have been residents of Peoria since 1988. Married since 1955, they have five children, 13 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Councilor Leone retired in 1994 after 20 years as a Union Manager. He was a Political Science Major at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, California, and attended UCLA and Loyola Colleges studying Labor Law. Councilor Leone is a member of the following boards and commissions: National

Participation: National League of Cities: Human Development Committee; National League of Cities: Leadership Institute-Bronze & Silver certificates. State Participation: Member, Board of Manufactured Housing-appointed by Governor Napolitano. City Participation: Member, Boards and Commissions Subcommittee; Member, Ethics Committee; Member, Impact Fee Ad-Hoc Committee; Member, Peoria Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee. Volunteer: Volunteer Coach, City of Peoria Youth Basketball Program - 2002-Present; Peoria Diamond Club-Peoria Sports Complex – 1993-Present; Knights of Columbus; Habitat for Humanity of the West Valley; Country Meadows Lions Club; Peoria Kiwanis Club (former member).



**Joan Evans**  
**Councilmember**  
**Willow District**

Councilor Evans was elected to her first four-year term on the Peoria City Council in November 2004 and re-elected in 2008. Education, personal growth and continuous learning are accurate words to describe the experience of Councilor Joan Evans of the Willow District. With a bachelor's degree from Arizona State University in Elementary Education and a master's degree from Northern Arizona University in Educational Leadership, Councilor Evans has devoted herself to education. After teaching 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades for 18 years in the Peoria Unified School District (PUSD), she served five years in educational administration as an Assistant Principal. Now retired from primary education and PUSD, Councilor Evans is a certified Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Consultant. She is also involved with the Northwest Valley Young Life Committee, a faith based ministry for youth, as well as the Women's Ministry Team at Trinity Bible Church. Currently, Councilor Evans is involved in many aspects of the City of Peoria. She serves on the Peoria City Council Ethics Committee, the Ad Hoc Recycling Committee, and the Boards and Commissions Subcommittee. Councilor Evans has raised her family in the Phoenix area for the past 53 years, with the last 11 years being spent in Peoria. Now in her 40th year of marriage to husband David, Councilor Evans enjoys spending time with her family which includes two married daughters and seven grandchildren. Natalie and husband Arvid have four children while Lisa and husband Christopher have three children.