

The Desertarian

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November is Rotary International Foundation Month



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This Weeks Program

Deserterian Reporter—Frank Peabody

Our speaker today was David M. Hamlin, author of five books. Since retiring to Palm Springs, he has published three highly-rated Emily Winter mysteries as well as short stories and flash fiction. David began with some surprising statistics including:

- 33% of High School graduates and 42% of College graduates never read a book.
- 70% of the population have never visited and bookstore...and, get this...
- 80% have never bought a book!

Mr. Hamlin, then, informed us about Amazon. They sell 70% of all electronic books, and 50% of all books. Amazon has their own publisher. If an author hires Amazon, they only get paid by how many pages are read by the consumer. The author does not receive enumeration for the book itself! Amazon prohibits the book to be sold via any other outlet, such as Barnes and Noble.

David told us about the joys and challenges of writing then reading a book. He shared his favorite authors are Elmore Leonard (insight to rural Kentucky), Louise Penny (noted mystery writer), and William Goldman (author of Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, Marathon Man, plus other that were made into memorable movies)

Space doesn't allow me to share so many details of his amazing life. Google David M Hamlin to learn more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us IN PERSON or on ZOOM each week at the following link: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/377190898> Meeting ID: 377 719 0898
- See you at our famous Thanksgiving White Elephant party on Sunday the 14th!
- We have a new Club email that you can send emails, requests or comments to: Psrotaryclub886@gmail.com

Birthdays and Anniversaries for November

Member Birthdays

Hacker, Dennis (DENNIS) 11/14/21

Madrigal, Andrea (ANDREA) 11/18/21

Saunders, Ryan (RYAN) 11/15/21

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Bronstein, Judy J. (JUDY)	11/22/00	21
Ellis, Timothy A. (TIM)	11/24/10	11
McBride, George Edward (ED)	11/8/17	4

O'Linn, Richard J (DICK) 11/28/18 3

This Weeks Program (Continued)

Our own Jim Dunn shared why he joined Rotary. At first, it was for work! His Rotary journey began when he hired as Director of the Palm Springs Convention Center. He began as “Service for Self” and segued into “Service above Self” after he retired. Jim worked with our Rotary Zone on several international projects, including those in India. He traveled the world, attending all the Tennis Grand Slams and had the opportunity to meet Rotarians all over the world. Jim has a wealth of knowledge of Rotary Foundation, as well as our own local PS Rotary Foundation over the years.

Mark your calendars for November 14 for the Thanksgiving Potluck and White Elephant giveaway. It will be held at the Palm Mountain Resort and will cost \$15.00/pp with the proceeds going to youth services. Bring an unwrapped gift. Appetizers will be at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00.

PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE A NEW ZOOM MEETING INVITE FOR OUR WEEKLY MEETING!

Rotary Club Palm Springs is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rotary Club Palm Springs' Weekly Zoom Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3777190898>

Meeting ID: 377 719 0898