

The Desertarian

The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs, California

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December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month



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This Weeks Program

Deserterian Reporter—Jim Dunn

This week's program was presented by Cindy Burgeson, the Executive Director of the Children's Discovery. The museum offers youth, families and teachers the opportunity to collaborate and participate in joint projects for learning and serves 85,000 visitors annually, only 35,000 are from California with the rest coming from out of state.

What's happening at the museum...

The museum in Rancho Mirage is now multi-generational, so fun for all! The museum is currently closed but hopes to reopen in its re-imagined form by December 16, 2022. The museum was primarily funded from admission fees which were eliminated during the pandemic. This identified the long term need to fundraise and create deeper reserves.

The museum is currently being re-imagined with new exhibits and new fundraising goals. The first project is to expand offerings to appeal to older youth rather than those 8 and under as in the past. The museum is fundraising \$3 million to fund the initial changes/upgrades. The future plan includes additional construction/expansion. The new exhibits and spaces will be more interactive and colorful to appeal to kids.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us **IN PERSON** or on **ZOOM** each week at the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84324635354>
Meeting ID: 843 2463 5354
- We have a new Club email that you can send emails, requests or comments to:
Psrrotaryclub886@gmail.com

Birthdays and Anniversaries for December

Member Birthdays

Bentley, Victoria (VICTORIA)	12/27/21
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Lippert, Barbara (BARBARA)	12/15/21
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Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Griffes, James (JIM)	12/1/95	26

Lippert, Barbara (BARBARA)	12/20/17	3
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Madrigal, Andrea (ANDREA)	12/7/16	4
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Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary
Hacker, Jennifer G (JENNY)	Dennis (DENNIS)	12/28/21

Williams, John W. (JOHN)	Micvhalyn (MICKIE)	12/7/21
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This Weeks Program (Continued)

Announcements

- Happy birthday to Victoria and Barbara!
- Frank distributed committee sign-ups for members to volunteer for projects/activities over the course of the year.
- Paul still needs people for skits and videos for the holiday party on December 15th contact him for details.
- Jim announced that the Mizell gift giving project will be moved back one week so the “ornaments” list of items will be distributed at our meeting on December 8th and the gifts will be due back at the meeting on the 15th.