

## The Desertarian

The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs, California



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## September is Basic Education and Literacy Month



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## This Weeks Program

Deserterian Reporter—Frank Peabody

Burdette Phillips, representing Safe House of the Desert, was our speaker today. Located in Thousand Palms, they provide an emergency shelter for youth from 11 to 17 years old, experiencing emergency situations. This includes runaways, homelessness, and anti-sexual and labor human trafficking. They are able to be under Safe House care for 21 days, offering individual, group, and family counselling and on-site education and aftercare.

Safe House can accommodate up to 22 youth at one time. Any additional assistance is handled by Safe House, Riverside. Harrison House, located next to Safe House offers the same program for youths from 18 to 22 years old. Children are encouraged to text or call Safe House 24/7 for anonymous, free assistance.

Burdette mentioned their fundraiser on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Details are at <a href="www.read.brown1@gmail.com">www.read.brown1@gmail.com</a>. They need hygiene items and clothing. We offered to gather items at a future date. Safe House can be contacted at 760-343-3211 or <a href="mailto:Bphillips@operationsafehouse.org">Bphillips@operationsafehouse.org</a> or <a href="www.safehuseofthedesert.org">www.safehuseofthedesert.org</a>.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Join us <u>IN PERSON</u> or on <u>ZOOM</u> each week at the following link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84324635354">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84324635354</a>
   <a href="https://www.meeting.in/">Meeting.in/</a>: 843 2463 5354
- We have a new Club email that you can send emails, requests or comments to: Psrotaryclub886@gmail.com

Rotary District 5330 Club: Palm Springs

Birthdays and Anniversaries for July

Member Birthdays Birthday Age

No birthdays this period.

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Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Total
Barrett, Robert (ROBERT)	9/4/02	19	19
Peabody, Frank E. (FRANK)	9/15/99	22	50