

The Desertarian

The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs,

Rotary



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September is Basic Education and Literacy Month



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This Weeks Program

Deserterian Reporter—Barbara Lippert

Guest Speakers- J.T.Warring, Nay Lin Htut Founder/CEO of the Rotary Myanmar Villages Water Management Systems Project since 2005. It all started when a couple of Rotarians pretty high up with Rotary asked J.T. to go overseas after the Tsunami in the Thailand region to access the damage on all the countries affected and report back to Rotary on what we could do to help. Myanmar was the last country visited ,and its where J.T. met with a very influential dr. concerned about the sanitation and lack of a healthy water supply.

When J.T. returned home to his L.A. club and shared his report they started by donating \$10,000.They started providing healthy water systems to Christian orphanages. After meeting a very connected Buddhist priest they built a water system at their schools and finally going into the villages.There are now 77 systems built. During this time J.T. was able to use these wonderfull connections in an area of major unrest.

Having gained the trust of the political leaders Rotary was approved to open up the first Rotary.There are now 4 of them.

Nav is a 26 year old member of the Rotary Myanmar Project team since 2016.Nav is a Myanmar national and current student at UC Riverside.He's lived in the US since 2018.With the current heavy military presence there he is unable to return.

With the out of control COVID situation there nobody from here is ablate go.

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: Psrotaryclub886@gmail.com
- Friday the 24th-Honoring our dear Milt we are resuming our Billy Reeds 8:30 breakfast.The last Friday of the month.Please RSVP to Frank
- Friday 24th 5:00-Happy Hour at Moxy in Palm Springs.Please let Michelle know you'll be there.

Rotary District 5330 Club: Palm Springs

Birthdays and Anniversaries for July

Member Birthdays	Birthday	Age
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No birthdays this period.

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

