## The Desertarian

## The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs, California

June 26, 2020

June is Rotary Fellowship Month

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<u>President</u> John Fritch <u>Secretary</u> Ed McBride <u>Treasurer</u> VACANT <u>Board Members</u>: Dick Hostrop, Judy Bronstein, Dick O'Linn, Bob Allan, Andrea Madrigal Barbara Lippert, Frank Peabody, Paul Raffer, Ed McBride <u>Acting District Governor</u>: Ricardo "Taco" Loretta



## Rotary Induction/Recognition Meeting June 18, 2020

We had 24 Rotarians and guests (Janet Haas from MI, Marjorie Akins - honorary member and Jack Fitzimmons )participate in our PS Rotary Club Induction Meeting .Our special guest was District Governor Elect Barry Valdez

President Elect John Fritch started our meeting with the 4 Way Test

We were so honored to have District Governor Elect Barry Valdez induct our newest member Walter Grenell. Walter invited his husband Jack Fitzimmons to participate. Walter and Jack live in Cloverdale, Ca. 6 months and Palm Springs for 6 months. Walter has an HR background and is very involved in church and community activities.

Judy Bronstein announced that our club would be donating \$100 ea to our Club Foundation in the names of the dear members we lost this year. Milt Levinson, Thomas Smith and former member Bob Elsner. We will miss them and words do not express how much we appreciate their service to Rotary.

Three members of the club were recognized for their Outstanding Service for the Year. The honorees were Frank Peabody, Janie Bolitho and Jacque Wachs.

Club business: President Elect John Fritch mentioned that we would have some Wine Downs for fundraisers for next year as well as work on Fundraiser up at the Tram when we are able to. Our club decided that we would continue our Zoom meetings through July. Helene Kalfuss mentioned to the club to look for Projects in the District that we could work on with Global Grants. Helene is the Global Grants Chair in the District and she would be happy to help. Tim Ellis will be the new Club Foundation President. New Club Foundation Board includes Andrea Madrigal, Jim Dunn, Helene Kalfuss and Peter Freymuth. Thank you Helene Kalfuss for stepping in for Thomas Smith this year.

Ed McBride bought and donated to our club it's own Zoom Account. Ed will be setting up a new Zoom meeting for the year and sending out the new link. We want to thank Barbara Lippert for being our Zoom Guru.

President Elect John Fritch asked the members to share a humorous moments we had this year. This has been a difficult year losing dear members of our club as well as dealing with Covid-19 restrictions. Above it all our club is strong and close.

We are Rotary Family and we appreciate each and every member.

No meeting for 6/24/20. Next meeting will be July 1, 2020 the start of our new year.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Helene Kalfuss will continue to send your Daily Giggle. Thanks Helene we all need a little pick me up.
- Thank you, Barbara, for letting us use your Zoom so we can connect.







