



# The Desertarian

The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs,  
California



September 24, 2020

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month



President John Fitch

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## This Weeks Program

**Deserterian Reporter: Nandy Kruger**

Frank Peabody introduced our speaker, Jim Dowler. Jim was a former member of our noon club until about 8 years ago. Since then, Jim has been involved with several international services. He spoke of his involvement with the water project in Moldova, Romania. Jim shared a slideshow on the history of Hungary (present-day Romania), the people they met and how the water project came about.

We enjoyed our "Name that Tune" by Paul Raffer.

## From Brydon Ward obituary:

On Tuesday, September 22, 2020 Brydon Ward of Lac La Biche, AB passed away at the age of 74 years. Brydon is survived by his loving wife Susan, the old spawner, of 50 years, daughters Christie and Morgan, son in law Tom, the sparkle in his eye Landry and Blake, brother Tim And Janice Ward, extended family, Margaret and Frank Brunning, Jack and Joan Liland, Max and Nancy Christie, Ryerson Morley and Susan Christie, numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and friends from around the world.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Remember to update your DacDB information if anything changes and if you need help let Ed know and he can do it for you!
- Announcements are added to the end of the newsletter this week!
- Zoom Weekly Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86373052286>  
Meeting ID: 863 7305 2286

## Birthdays and Anniversaries for September

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Barrett, Robert (ROBERT)	9/4/02	18
Peabody, Frank E. (FRANK)	9/15/99	21
Birthdays	Birthday	
No Birthdays		
Wedding Anniversaries	Date	
No anniversaries		

### This Weeks Program (Continued)

Donations to Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation Box 1533  
Lac La Biche, AB T0A 2C0 would be appreciated.

Jacque has suggested a Club donation in his honor and we will  
discuss at next weeks meeting.

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#### From Ryan Sauders

The PSUSD is looking for a Community Person to sit on the  
Oversight Committee for the District. Ryan would really like to  
see a representative from our Rotary Club. He hopes someone  
will consider serving on this committee. Ryan said the  
committee will meet a couple times a year so not a time  
consuming position. I hope someone would like to participate in  
this.

Please contact Ryan for further questions and if you have  
someone interested or go here for more information:

<https://www.psusd.us/domain/2213>

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#### From Ed McBride and Eileen Reilly

We still have several Club members with outstanding invoices  
for 2020/2021 Membership Dues. Eileen will be sending paper  
invoices this week to those members with balances due just in  
case you missed her email with your invoice. Please give this  
your prompt attention since the Club has already paid for your  
membership to Rotary International and you are receiving Club  
benefits. You may also call Eileen and pay with a credit card if  
you prefer. Her number is (949) 291-7365.

See you next Wednesday!