

HISTORY

The Rotary Club of Indio founded Math Field Day in 1995. At that time, our late Riverside County 4th District Supervisor, John J. Benoit, was president of Club. He found that due to transportation issues and a lack of funding for extra-curricular activities, Coachella Valley middle school students were not able to participate in the County's big math event held in Riverside. Through Benoit's leadership, the Indio Rotary Club stepped up and organized this local event. Working with Desert Sands School District, Math Field Day provides local students the opportunity to show off their math skills by participating in exciting games and competitions.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary International is a global community of more than 1.4 million men and women representing 36,000 Clubs in over 200 countries. All of this manpower is dedicated to building a better world. Rotary is the largest non-religious, non-political organization in the world that was founded in 1905 in Evanston, IL by a group of community leaders led by Paul Harris. Local Rotary Clubs meet weekly to socialize, network, and hear speakers on various topics. Clubs develop and stage community projects that address local as well as international issues. They address issues focused on education, children at risk, poverty and hunger, the elderly, clean water and the environment.

ROTARY CLUBS OF THE COACHELLA VALLEY

- Cathedral City**
Tuesdays Noon • Desert Princess, Cathedral City
- Cathedral City Evening**
Tuesdays 5:30pm • Nicolino's, Cathedral City
- Coachella Valley**
Wednesdays Noon • Sloans Restaurant, Indio
- Desert Hot Springs**
Thursdays Noon • Las Palmas Restaurant, DHS
- Indian Wells**
Mondays Noon • Indian Wells Golf Resort
- Indio**
Tuesdays 12:10pm • Fantasy Springs
Special Events Center, Indio
- Indio Sunrise**
Tuesdays 6:45am • Heritage Palms CC, Indio

- La Quinta**
Thursdays 6pm • PGA West - Greg Norman Clubhouse
- La Quinta of the Desert**
Thursday Noon • PGA West - Ernie's Bar & Grill
- Mecca Binacional/Coachella East**
Tuesdays Noon • Pueblo Unido CDC
- Palm Desert**
Tuesdays Noon • Palm Valley Country Club
- Palm Springs**
Wednesdays Noon • Palm Springs Hilton, Palm Springs
- Palm Springs Sunup**
Tuesdays 7am • Mizell Center, Palm Springs
- Rancho Mirage**
Thursdays 7:30am • the Rancho Mirage Library

ROTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH FIELD DAY

27th EDITION



SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

8:30am – 3:00pm

John Glenn Middle School
79655 Miles Avenue, Indio

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Rotary Middle School

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AWARDS

Every student receives a *Certificate of Participation* **Event winners** earn first place trophies. Second and third place winners will receive a ribbon and everyone receives a *Certificate of Participation*. **Game winners** earn first place trophies and second place receives a ribbon. Schools with the most wins in each grade level earn a perpetual trophy for **Best School**. Their name is added to the trophy and they keep it until the next year's event. Second and third best schools will also get a trophy. A very special **Top Mathematician** will be selected for each grade level and will receive \$100 and the second best will win \$50!

PROGRAM

AWARDS CEREMONY

Auditorium – 1:00pm

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. SPECIAL GUESTS

Dr Arthur Benjamin, a professor of mathematics and a magician. He has combined his two loves to create “Mathemagics.” His presentation will showcase his ability to perform rapid mental calculations and will share his secret to doing math faster than a calculator. Students will be amazed by this presentation.

3. AWARDS

A few moments will be available as awards are presented to each winner for anyone who would like to take photos.

EVENTS: (1) Individual (2) Team

- What's My Space (2)
- Calculator Challenge (1)
- Mental Gymnastics (1)
- Construction Derby (2)
- Team Investigation (2)

GAMES:

- Hex
- Capture
- 5 in a Row
- 24
- 3D Tic-Tac-Toe

BEST MATHEMATICIAN:

- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade

SCHOOL PERPETUAL TROPHY:

- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade

4. CLOSING COMMENTS

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

All Coachella Valley middle school students, grades 6–8 are invited to participate. Each school selects its own team which must be accompanied by a school faculty advisor. Schools from Desert Sands Unified School District, Coachella Valley Unified School District, Palm Springs Unified School District, and Coachella Valley private schools from Palm Springs to Mecca have participated.