

Rotary

Club of Indio



Club Meeting

Indio
Meets at Fantasy Springs
Resort Special Events
Center 84-245 Indio
Springs Dr. Indio, CA
92203
Fantasy Springs Resort
Casino/Special Events Ctr
84-245 Indio Springs
Parkway
Indio, CA 92203
Time: Tuesday at 12:10
PM

Events

No Events found

Club Leaders



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Bulletin Sept 3, 2024

By Sue F. Steding

Rotary Club of Indio September 3, 2024

Members Present: Jenn Schultz, John Neiderkorn, Dennis Sheehan, Chris Pickering, Stacy Fifield, Sue Steding, Bryon Montgomery, John Patrick Dolan, Bruce Latta, Elizabeth Tucker, Ben Guitron and Andres Colonel.

Guests Present: Irene Dolan

Opening: Opened by Pres Dennis Sheehan. Flag salute: Andres Colonel; 4-Way test: Ben Guitron; and gaboon: Bruce Latta

Rotary Moment: Bruce attended an RI Webinar about how to grow new members into committed members: Ask each visitor what they think of the club meeting; with new members, involve, listen, honor, respect and be ready to change any number of variables to keep your club vibrant. Dennis reminded us of our own strategic plan for each member to invite 2 guests over a 12-month period.

Announcements:

- Dennis also noted that this month in RI has the focus of Basic Education and Literacy, and thus how apropos our Third Grade Book Project is. He noted that the books have not yet moved from the DSUSD office to the individual schools, so be sure and check with your assigned school that the books for your presentation have made it to your school.
- Elizabeth Tucker, Dennis and Interact students will be volunteering at FIND FOOD bank this Saturday.**
- At the district level, Mary Scott will be having a zoom meeting about the FOUR WAY TEST Speech Contest. If interested, September 4 at 5:50 PM, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86303333504>.
- Registration to decorate the Rotary Rose Parade float opens September 7: <https://www.district5330.org/august-2024-rose-parade/>
- To register to attend the Foundation Dinner on November 2, 2024 is <https://www.district5330.org/gala-landing/>
- Club Meeting for Sept 17 will be a Zoom Meeting. Look for a Zoom link from Avi.**

Speaker: Ray Truillo, with the City of Indio and the Department Head for the Indio Water Authority spoke about electricity in the City of Indio.

Ray's early employment history specific to moving water aids in his understanding and work with both water and electricity with the City of Indio. In late 1992, 35% of the state electricity was created by the movement of water, not so today. The biggest issue today is money.

In 1934, CVWD contracted with IID to supply electrical power to residents of CV, including Coachella, Indio, now La Quinta, parts of east Palm Desert and surrounding county areas. That 100-year contract expires 1/1/2033. IID also serves the full county of Imperial and receives 60% of its revenue from the CV.

In basic terms, a power plant generates power that uses step-up transformers to generate transmission to SUBSTATIONS, which then distributes it to transformers and into homes. We lack substations to serve the valley and especially support new development. The substations are tapped out and it costs big money to build more. Part of the problem was the growth in the 2000s resulting in over building, with an economic collapse that reduced income and stranded the IID investment.



**Benjamin
Guitron IV**
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There is no pool of money in IID to improve infrastructure/SUBSTATIONS. The arrival of electric vehicles is impacting the issue as a TESLA charging station uses as much power as a Walmart store.

In November 2023, the City of Indio started a surcharge to Indio users's™ of 1/2 cent per KWH. It is on your power bill and called Indio Electric Surcharge, it is static as based on your usage. That money is routed to the city which is committed to use that money to build 4 substations. The first one has been ordered, it takes 3 years to receive, thus it will be here in 2 years.

If you are seeing large fluctuations in your bill, it is probably the ECA which is a surcharge to IID to cover the cost of gas to run the power plants/structure of the distribution chain.

Great presentation by Ray Trujillo.

50/50 Draw: Irene Dolan won the draw. She chose history: what residence, the home of Henry VIII's™ third wife, Jane Seymore, is also the name of a best-selling book and a movie? Wolf Hall. Roll over of \$19.00 to next week. (Irene, thank you for your BIG contribution each week.)

Cast your vote for

**Voices for
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VOTING IS OPEN FROM AUG 19 – SEP 2.

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Ben Guitron & Andres Coronel visit Colima Rotary Club, Mexico



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Speakers

September 3rd
[Ray Trejo](#)
Indio Water Authority

September 17th
[Roy Weaver](#)
This is a regular club meeting via
Zoom Life of Timmy Brown

September 10th
[Ralph Olson](#)
Palm Springs Air Museum

Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Wedding Anniversaries

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Club Anniversaries

Fontana
September 24th

[Lake Arrowhead](#)
September 26th