

Rotary

Club of Indio



Bulletin for Nov 7, 2023

Resent to add some emails that did not add the first time & to add pictures of the Speaker.



Horizons at Indio Senior Apartments
45405 Monroe St, Indio, CA 92201
November 21

All Club Members asked to arrive at 5:30 pm to help decorate. 6:30 pm Club Members will serve dinner to the Residents.

**Mark Zacovic is providing the pies
Bruce Latta is bringing the whip cream**

Members Present: Mike Colby, John Niederkorn, Stacy Fifield, Sue Steding, Merlina Tate, Mark Zacovic, Bruce Latta, Jennifer Schultz, Carla McNamara, Randy Bateman, Barb Dries, Bob Firing, Ben Guiton.

Guests: Ed Klasson (nice guy), Speaker Mike DiBlasi

Meeting was opened at 12:10 by Pres. Ben Guiton
Flag Salute was led by Stacy Fifield, 4 Way test was led by Ed Klasson

Rotary Moment: Bruce Latta related how many Rotary Clubs sing at their meetings. The first Rotary Song Books were published by Harry, a printer in 1920. He first led a song in a Rotary meeting in 1915 to drown out a member telling an off color joke. Some Chapters still sing at their meetings. Click on the following link to hear some Rotary Songs. Scroll down to **note** the many songs. (Pun intended) [Rotary Songs](#)

Announcements:

- **Festival of Local Creatives Committee:** The FOLC Committee met on Monday at the Encore Coffee Shop at Miles & Oasis in Indio. Following Bill Schinsky's leaving the Rotary Club of Indio, the Committee was faced with 3 alternatives: 1. Find a new Chairman who is a member & move forward with the March 2 planned date. 2. Table the Event for 2024 and work towards the next year. 3. Cancel the Project. Ben called for a Volunteer to Chair the Project. (Following the meeting Barb Dries spoke to members who could potentially be a Chairman for the FOLC. A Volunteer stepped forward)
- Ben encouraged all members to be sure to read the Bulletin each week.
- Ben & Jennifer attended the 1st meeting regarding the Golf Ball Drop & Indio BBQ. We will be selling tickets for the GBD & running Concessions for the BBQ. Ben encourages every member to attend & volunteer to sell tickets. Jesus DelToro is in charge of ticket sales. Mike Colby is in charge of Concessions. He hopes to have the tickets to pass out at our next meeting. Ben would like each member to sell between 20 - 40 tickets. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25.
- The next Board Meeting is a Zoom Meeting on Nov 16 at 7 am. A good



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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

Club Leaders



Benjamin Guitron IV
President



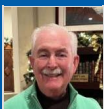
Jeffrey Gonzalez
President-Elect



Avisinia Rodriguez
Secretary



Jennifer Schultz
Treasurer



Dennis J. Sheehan
President-Nominee

Stacy Fifield



Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Bruce Latta
Membership
Chair



Merlina
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Tate
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Schultz
iPast
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District Foundation
Chair

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Brian Jeff
Brodowsky
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William R. Chase
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Stacy Fifield

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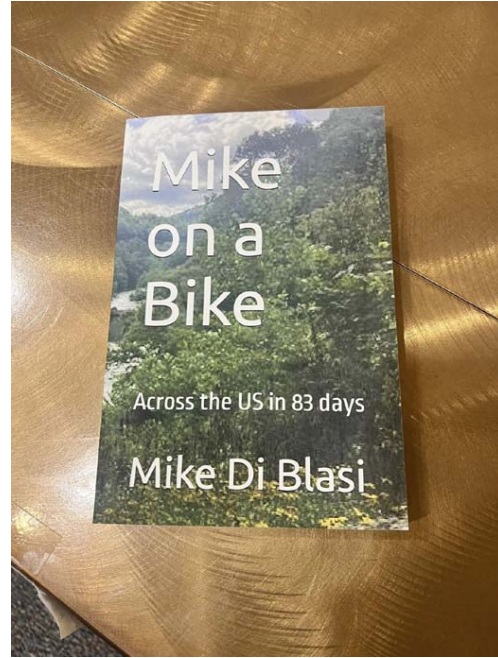
Bob McKenzie
Assistant Governor
Julie Ngo

Assistant Governor
Bill Orr
Assistant Governor

JoAn Clarissa
Randall

opportunity for members that are still needing to attend a Board Meeting before their red ribbon comes off their badge.

- **Remember Nov 21 at Horizons Senior Center. See Notice at beginning of this Bulletin.**
- Mike Colby will be doing 2nd Saturday at Indio's Center Stage this week.



Bob Firing introduced the Speaker Mike DiBlasi, who upon retiring as an architect, took off on his reclining bike to travel the Trans American Bike Trail across the United States.

He left from Astoria, dipping his back tire in the Pacific Ocean, traveling 4200 miles in 83 days. He felt those he met fell in 3 groups:

1. Truth Tellers - Those that had suggestions & advice
2. Travelers - Those out on the road
3. Trail Angels - Those that were there to help when needed

Mike stayed with host families, friends, & in hotels. One night in Kansas he had no where to stay. He found a priest at a Catholic Church who took him in for the night.

The highest point was in the Rockies, 11,000 ft. His trip ended in Delaware where he put the front tire of his bike in the Atlantic Ocean. He shared many of the pictures taken as he traveled across this great land of ours.

Upon returning he wrote a book about his travels: Mike on a Bike

Gaboon: Barb Dreis passed the GaBoon

Drawing: Bruce Latta had the winning drawing number, even tho Sue had 30 tickets purchased for John Dolan. Question from the new Trivia Cards was who was the Russian Leader in the 80's that had a birthmark on his forehead. Bruce easily answered Gorbachav. Bruce won \$55.

Ben closed the meeting asking each Rotarian to think about why they are a member. He encouraged all to share with others what is meaningful about Rotary. Horizons visit on Nov 21 is a great opportunity to share with the Senior Residents there.

Meeting closed at 1:10 pm

Assistant Governor
Chris Schultz
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Mary Towne
Assistant Governor
Karyn G. Westervelt
Assistant Governor
Linda Kay White
Assistant Governor
Dan Goodrich
District Secretary
Ashley Lyn Rose
Sanford
District Treasurer

District 5330 Podcast

To listen to most interesting Podcasts of District 5330 "Heroes of Hope" Click on the image below, then scroll down to click on the Podcast to listen.

These podcasts are also available under the top menu tab "Links to Presentations" on the
[Rotary Club of Indio \(indiorotary.org\)](http://indiorotary.org)



Events

November 7th, 12:00-1:00 PM

[Indio Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Gabe Garza.

Subject: He will talk about water in the Coachella Valley.

November 11th, 7:00-9:00 PM

[2nd Saturday Center Stage](#)

Speakers

November 7th

[Gabe Garza.](#)

He will talk about water in the Coachella Valley.

November 16th

[Zoom Meeting](#)

Operating Board Mtg then Foundation Board Mtg

November 14th

[Mark Tadros](#)

Owner of Aziz Farms. He will talk about agribusiness in the Coachella Valley.

November 21st

[Serve Thanksgiving Dinner](#)

No noon meeting & no Zoom meeting. Instead, members will be serving



November 28th

[Craig Donahue](#)

The Regional Employment Manager for the
College of the Desert

Thanksgiving dinner to the Horizon's
Retirement Community at 5:30 pm

December 5th

[Robi Frederick](#)

Coachella Valley Foster Kids

Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Club Anniversaries

San Jacinto
November 5th

[Idyllwild](#)
November 19th

[La Quinta of the Desert](#)
November 29th

[Palm Desert](#)
November 12th
Arlington (Riverside)
November 28th