

# 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



[Benjamin Guitron IV](#)  
President



[Dennis J. Sheehan](#)  
President-Elect



[Avisinia Rodriguez](#)  
President-Nominee  
Secretary



[Jennifer Schultz](#)  
Treasurer



[Stacy Fifield](#)  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair



[Bruce Latta](#)  
Membership  
Chair



[Merlina Dominica Tate](#)  
Webmaster

## Bingo



**Put on your VALENTINE'S BEST  
and play BINGO for Scholarships!**

**FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 P.M.**

**DINNER, 5 BINGO GAMES (3 CHANCES EACH GAME)**

**\$200 LAST GAME GRAND PRIZE!**

**\$ 60.00 PER PERSON**

( SPECIAL SURF & TURF DINNER FIT FOR YOUR VALENTINE )

***Benefitting Cathedral City High School Students***

**Mt View Resort at the Desert Princess  
28555 Landau Blvd., Cathedral City, CA.**

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cathedral City

**Reservations: Call Laura Ahmed 760-413-7812 or OPEN TABLE**

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Rotary Club of Indio Meeting  
Jan 23, 2024

**Members present:** Jenn Schultz, Elizabeth Tucker, John Dolan, Stacy Fifield, Randy Bateman, Steve Morgan, Dennis Sheehan, Mark Zacovic, Barb Dreis, Andres Coronel, Ben Guitron, Bob Firing, Chris Pickering, Brce Latta, Veronica Casper, John Niederkorn, Sue Steding, & Robin Corkery (Honorary Member)

**Guests:** Bruce Fenwick - Rotary Club of Calgary (Downtown), Rafael Lamas & Joel Felix of Category 5 Training.

**Opening:** Flag Ceremony - Stephen Losh, 4 Way Test - Sue Steding

**Rotary Minute:** Bruce reported that RI has a wonderful learning center. The link to the information page about the Learning Center:  
<https://my.rotary.org/en/knowledge-and-resources/resources-and-reference>



**Chris Schultz**  
iPast President

## District Leaders

- Jamie M Zinn  
District Governor
- Judy Arlene Zulfiqar  
DG-Elect
- Nyron H. McLean  
DG-Nominee
- Donald E. Casper  
IPDG
- Carol A. Winston  
Executive Assistant  
Governor
- Douglas W. Baker  
District Foundation Chair
- Albert R. Rubio  
District Membership  
Chair
- Calvin B. Boothby  
Assistant Governor
- Brian Jeff Brodowsky  
Assistant Governor
- William R. Chase  
Assistant Governor
- Stacy Fifield  
Assistant Governor
- Darcy Kuenzi  
Assistant Governor
- Bob McKenzie  
Assistant Governor
- Julie Ngo  
Assistant Governor
- Bill Orr  
Assistant Governor
- JoAn Clarissa Randall  
Assistant Governor
- Chris Schultz  
Assistant Governor
- Mary Towne  
Assistant Governor
- Karyn G. Westervelt  
Assistant Governor
- Linda Kay White  
Assistant Governor
- Dan Goodrich  
District Secretary
- Ashley Lyn Rose  
Sanford  
District Treasurer

## References

The list of video categories available at the Learning center:

**Membership, Fundraising, Projects, Grants, Start a club, Awards, Public relations, Rotaract, Interact, Rotary.org**

## Announcements:

- Dennis reported that Interact Club and RCI will have a 4 Way Test and Speech Contest.
- Stacy reported their will be a Socks & Underwear for Indio Elementary Schools & Pizza Party in the Spring. She is getting the socks & underwear from another non-profit. More information later,
- Barb reported the Rotary Club of Indio will help the Coachella Rotary Club with the parking at the Date Festival February 16-25. Our club will receive \$150 for each shift worked.
- Merlina reported that the Festival of Local Creatives is March 2. A sign up sheet for Rotary volunteers to help with the Festival was passed around at the meeting. Creatives are also needed to make the Festival a success. Please spread the word.
- Ben gave a Club update from last week's RCI Board Meeting. The firetruck should be moved from Larado to Mexico in the next few days. The Board approved Date Festival parking as a project & that we will go ahead with the socks & underwear project. The 75th Anniversary Luncheon had been budgeted \$3,500. Due to sponsors & underwriting there was no cost to the Rotary Club. So far \$2,000 has been donated for special projects by using the Donation Sheet passed out at the 75th. Sandra Harris donated \$1000 towards the flagpole project for Roger Harris. Ben read the heartfelt card from Sandra thanking everyone to the tribute to Roger at the 75th. The coins Ben has from the 75th will be given out to any members who do not already have one & then to each speaker we have at Rotary Club.

Chris Pickering –



February 16 – 25, 2024

[www.datefest.org](http://www.datefest.org) - [INFO@DATEFEST.ORG](mailto:INFO@DATEFEST.ORG)

## Speaker:

Chris Pickering of the Riverside County Fairgrounds spoke on the Date Festival that will be February 16-25, 2024. Chris gave a wonderful presentation on the history of the Date Festival & how it is today. The Date Festival has restored all the great venues of the past & added new items such as each food booth must have a date item on their menu,

Pickering Productions now has 13 Full Time Staff. Their goal is to have in addition to the Date Festival, year round Events at the Fairgrounds. Last year they gave: \$49,837 to Coachella Valley Rotary for parking, \$24,000 in Scholarships, & \$248,000 in the Livestock Auction.

To become Autism Certified they will have a Sensory Space, where those that need some quiet time can go for some respite.

Parking will now be only in the South Lot. Traffic is being rerouted to Oasis. The main entry will be Gate 6.

There is lots of good Free Entertainment, Carnival rides, Arena Entertainment, & Dirt Events.

Chris very generously gave 2 General Admission Tickets to each person in attendance. Thank You Chris.

For more information: [info@datefest.org](mailto:info@datefest.org)

**Drawing:** John Niederkorn's number was drawn, but he could not guess that the median cost of a house in 1980 was \$67,000. John, with a little help from his friends guessed \$30,000.

## Business Memberships

Thank you to our Business Memberships



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reviews on Yahoo  
, Indio, CA92203  
(760) 888-7345  
7:00 am ~ 5:00 pm Closed now  
schultzenterprises.com · more info

Jesus & Tania DelToro Mike Colby Chris & Jennifer Schultz

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## Speakers

January 23rd

[Chris Pickering](#)

National Date Festival

February 6th

[Ben Guitron](#)

Guitron Family in Coachella Valley

History

February 20th

[Zoom Meeting David Lott](#)

Rotary Water Project in Mozambique

January 30th

[Scott Wolf](#)

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission

February 13th

[Kippy Laflame](#)

Ophelia Project

February 22nd

[Zoom Meeting](#)

Operating Board Mtg then Foundation Board Mtg

## Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

## Wedding Anniversaries



[Bruce Latta](#)

January 30th

## Club Anniversaries

[Corona-Circle City](#)

January 10th

[Big Bear Lake](#)

January 18th

Indian Wells

January 27th

[Indio](#)

January 15th

[Lake Elsinore](#)

January 18th