



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. <u>Sheehan</u> President-Elect



<u>Rodriguez</u> President-Nominee Secretary Jennifer Schultz Treasurer

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Stacy Fifield Rotary Foundation Chair



Membership Chair



Chris Pickering Webmaster

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ROTARY CLUB OF INDIO MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2024 By Sue Steding

Members Present: Jenn Schultz, Barbara Dreis, Bob Firring, Sue Steding, Dennis Sheehan, Bruce Latta, John Niederkorn, Steve Morgan, Stacy Fifield, Don Casper, Avi Rodriguez, John Patrick Dolan, Andres Colonel and Ben Guitron.

Guests: Irene Dolan and LaVerne Sheehan

Opening: Don Casper led in the pledge to our flag, Stacy Fifield led in the 4-way test and John Niederkorn passed the gaboon.

Rotary Moment: Bruce spoke of the experience of the club purchasing a table and 10 members attending the greater Coachella Valley Chamber event. After an hour of "mingling†(networking with business community and other Rotarians), having our name with logo listed as a sponsor, offering a silent auction item for sale, Bruce believes we had a positive impact in getting our name before future members.

Announcements:

- Ben reported that his last board members spent some time at the last board meeting offering up a critique of the year. Avi will share comments specific to MFD and FOLC by sending the minutes to Martha, Carla and Sue.
- Jennifer reported on a batch of thank you notes from students at Mountain View Elementary for both the dictionaries and our support for their third-grade trips to the CV Museum.
- Stacy gave the end of the year report from RI Foundation on our club's giving for the year. We exceeded our goals by giving \$10,250 to the Annual Fund (Share) and \$2150.00 to Polio Plus. Our full giving is valued at \$190,000 over the course of RI Foundation tracking club giving.

Speaker: Bob Firring introduced our former member and friend, Brianna Miller who is on staff with Voices for Children. She is a locally raised member of our community with a mother who lived as a foster child and a father who favors volunteering. While she was in the Peace Corps in Panama for 3 years, her dad joined the CASA volunteer program sparking her interest upon her return. She has been on staff with a couple of iterations of the CASA program for over 14 years.

CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocate for a child currently in foster care as ordered by the juvenile court. The volunteer works side by side with a Judge, a social worker, and the attorney for the child. It is the CASA volunteers who knows the child better than the other three and is trained to advocate by keeping all better informed of the child's needs and interests. This is done by spending quality time with the child, the child's teacher, the child's social worker and the child's foster parent(s).

Kids in foster care have a better than 50% chance of experimenting with illegal drugs, a less than 50% chance of graduating from high school and a 25% chance of getting involved in the criminal justice system as a defendant prior to the age of 18. CASA works to avoid those statistics one child at a time.



<u>Merlina Tate</u> Webmaster



<u>Chris Schultz</u> iPast President

District Leaders

Jamie M Zinn **District Governor** Judy Arlene Zulfigar 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**

Explore volunteering by attending an informational meeting, see speakupnow.org, give to the non-profit efforts of Voices for Children.

Opportunity Drawing: \$23.00 won by Irene Dolan in answering the history question, $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{C}$. Which candy originally was called Fairy Floss? $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{C}$ Yes, cotton candy.

We are dark July 2, 2024 and back in person for our new year, new board and new President, Dennis Sheehan.

Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce

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District Awards for Rotary Club of Indio

Groups



Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Indians Rotary 🛞 Honorary Members Rotary Club of Indio



GREATER COACHELLA

Business Memberships

Thank you to our Business Memberships:



Jesus & Tania DelToro Chris & Jennifer Schultz Mike Colby

Speakers

June 25th July 2nd Brianna Miller Club Dark - No Meeting Voices for Children July 9th July 16th **Dennis Sheehan** 3 yr Strategic Plan July 18th July 23rd Zoom Meeting Barbara Dreis Operating Board Mtg then Foundation Trip to Indio for Polio Plus Board Mtg

La Quinta Historical Society

Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Wedding Anniversaries



Jennifer Schultz June 30th



<u>Chris Schultz</u> June 30th

Club Anniversaries

San Bernardino June 1st Coachella East June 11th Yucaipa June 15th Riverside East June 19th La Quinta June 24th E-Club of Save Our Planet D5330 June 28th Indio Sunrise June 2nd Norco June 12th San Bernardino Crossroads June 15th Lake Arrowhead Mountain Sunrise June 22nd San Bernardino Sunset June 24th