

Rotary

Club of Indio



Newsletter May 6, 2025



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

May 6th
Indio Weekly Club
Meeting RSVP
Needed

May 13th
Zoom Meeting Only

May 20th
Indio Weekly Club
Meeting RSVP
Needed

May 27th
Indio Weekly Club
Meeting RSVP
Needed

June 3rd
Indio Weekly Club
Meeting RSVP
Needed

Club Leaders

Dennis J.
Sheehan



Rotary Club of Indio May 6, 2025 Meeting Fantasy Springs Special Event Center

The opening of the meeting was delayed because the computer that belongs to the Chapter was not in the wagon where our Club's supplies are kept. If anyone knows of it's location please contact Dennis Sheehan. It appears it may have been stolen.

Members Present: Bob Furring, Sue Steding, Randy Bateman, Stacy Fifield, Dennis Sheehan, Michelle Penn, Philip Jones, Merlina Tate, Moises

Nuno, Andres Coronel, Jose Ramariz,

Guests: Shelley Soliz, Gladys Vargas

Opening: Meeting opened by President Dennis Sheehan. Flag salute led by Philip Jones. The 4 Way Test led by Michelle Penn.

Rotarians of the Month: Sue Steding was recognized for her outstanding job of co-chairing the Math Field Day. Merlina Tate was recognized for her Newsletter.

Rotary Moment:
May is Youth Service Month.
The end of Polio is in Sight.

Information:

- Math Field Day - a brief recap
- Dine-to-Donate Thursday May 15th 3-10 pm at Texas Roadhouse.
- May 17 Rotary Day at Galway-District 5330 Conference: [Information on District 5330 Conference.](#)

Speaker: Shelley Soliz & Gladys Vargas from the Senior Center of Indio were introduced by Bob Furring. Shelley described all the wonderful activities at the Indio Senior Center. Shelley introduced Gladys Vargas, the City of Indio Inspirational person of the year. Gladys fills many roles at the Senior Center. For all the activities of the Center go to: [Indio Senior Center Website.](#)

Drawing: Andres Coronel's number was drawn for \$13. With help from other members he answered the history question: What name of an American spirit is derived from a French Royal Family. The answer Bourbon.

Gaboon: The Gaboon was passed by Moises Nuno for \$86 Happy Dollars.



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Assistant Governor
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Assistant Governor

Dine to Donate Texas Roadhouse



TEXAS ROADHOUSE

DINE TO DONATE! FUNDRAISING NIGHT

Rotary Club of Indio

Support SHADOW HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
THUR., MAY 15
3 - 10PM

(760) 262-1002
42790 JACKSON STREET
INDIO, CA

10% DONATION NIGHT

Support SHADOW HILLS HIGH SCHOOL by presenting this flyer to the Indio, CA location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to SHADOW HILLS HIGH SCHOOL!

JOIN US FOR A LEGENDARY CAUSE!
THE ROTARY CLUB OF INDIO IS RAISING MONEY FOR THE SENIORS OF SHADOW HILLS HIGH SCHOOL!

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District 5330 Conference

Here is the link for tickets and information:
<https://www.district5330.org/rotary-day-at-galway-district-conference-celebration-community/>

Rotary Day at Galway - District Conference, Celebration, & Community

May 17th, 2025
11 AM to 6 PM
Galway Downs Equestrian Facility in Temecula Wine Country
Ticket prices range from \$31-\$42



SAVE THE DATE

ROTARY DISTRICT 5330
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, CELEBRATION AND COMMUNITY
MAY 17TH, 2025 12-6 PM

CONFERENCE
ROTARY DAY AT GALWAY
CELEBRATION COMMUNITY

LOCATION:
GALWAY DOWNS
38801 LOS CORRALITOS RD.
TEMECULA, CA
(HOME OF THE 2028 EQUESTRIAN OLYMPICS)

FREE SHOWCASE
AVAILABLE FOR ALL CLUBS!
WE WANT ALL OF OUR CLUBS TO COME
OUT AND SHARE YOUR SERVICE
PROJECTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

TICKETS WILL RANGE BETWEEN \$31-\$42 AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE SOON.

Matthew Goatcher
Assistant Governor
Linda Kaye Hanley
Assistant Governor
Leroy Johnson
Assistant Governor
Sonia M Lamas
Assistant Governor
Michele Nobleman
Assistant Governor
Bryan E Sullivan
Assistant Governor
Mary Towne
Assistant Governor
Karyn G. Westervelt
Assistant Governor
Linda Kay White
Assistant Governor

Full Meal included in the \$42 ticket price
Additional food and drinks available for purchase
No-Host Bar Onsite

SCHEDULE

An Epic Day of Service

Join us for an inspiring and action-packed day as Rotary District 5330 comes together to celebrate service, leadership, and community impact! This special event will feature engaging activities, impactful speakers, and well-deserved recognitions, culminating in an evening of celebration and fun.

Morning Activities

We will start the day with our Epic Day of Service. Interactors will join forces with Roteractors and Rotarians to assemble wellness bags for foster children in the Inland Empire.

After the Epic Day of Service, Interactors will participate in the opening ceremonies of the District Conference. After which they will break off and participate in interactive games, team-building activities, leadership development exercises, and club brags.

Afternoon Program

A heartfelt Celebration of Life presentation will honor and remember those who have impacted the Rotary community.

The program continues with an equestrian team demonstration featuring an exceptional performance of the National Anthem. Following this, attendees will gather for group photos, capturing the spirit of fellowship and service.

Rotary leaders will then lead a reflective moment, including the Pledge of Allegiance, a recitation of the 4-Way Test, and an inspiring Rotary Moment. Distinguished guests and VIPs will be introduced, setting the stage for the keynote address.

Our keynote speaker, Rotary International Trustee Vicki Puliz, will deliver an insightful and motivational speech that highlights Rotary's profound impact worldwide.

The afternoon features the highly anticipated Club Awards and Rotary Award for Vocational Excellence (RAVE), recognizing outstanding contributions and achievements within District 5330 and our community.

Finally, we will have the "Passing of the Banner" as we celebrate Judy Zulfiqar's year as District Governor and welcome District Governor Nyron McLean for 2025-2026.

Evening Festivities

A special Peace Pole dedication ceremony will take place, symbolizing Rotary's ongoing commitment to peace and unity.

Another evening highlight will be the KCBS BBQ Award Presentations, honoring the best in barbecue craftsmanship and competition.

To close out this incredible day, attendees will gather for a lively after-party featuring music by Rotarian Larry Potter. The party will celebrate fellowship, service, and the event's successes.

This event promises to be a memorable gathering of Rotarians, Interactors, and community leaders, united in the spirit of service, leadership, and celebration. We look forward to seeing you there!

BBQ Teams - If you or your club would like to participate in the BBQ competition for Rotary Clubs, please contact Stephen Levine at rotarysteven@icloud.com.

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If you would like to stay the night or stay the weekend in Temecula Wine Country, here are some options on-site at Galway Downs and nearby.

There are RV parking spaces at a discount. Contact Chris at 949 230 1488 and let her know you are with our event. She will book your spot. A 30-amp space is \$75 per night, and a 50-amp space is \$90 per night.

There are two-bedroom units available at Galway Downs; you have to call Orianna at 951-514 3120 or email stay@galwaydowns.com since their two bedroom units are not currently listed on their website.

They have a few bigger houses with four bedrooms and four bathrooms that people could share if you wish. Those are on the Galway Downs website. <https://staykentina.com/accommodation/gd-ranch-house/>

There is also a KOA with small cabins at Vail Lake, 2 miles away. <https://koa.com/campgrounds/temecula/>

<https://www.visitemeculavalley.com/>

Please share this information along with the attached flier with your club members. Everyone is invited and encouraged to bring family and friends.

If you have any questions, please contact Maryalice Owings at maryalice.albergowings@gmail.com.

Judy Zulfiqar



Judy Zulfiqar
District Governor, District 5330

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Volunteers Needed For District 5330 Conference

From: **Yanoschik Jim** <mailservice@dacdb.net>

Date: Tue, Apr 29, 2025 at 1:10?PM

Subject: Rotary -Volunteer Sign Up Sheet for District Conference at Galway Downs

To: <djsheehan46@gmail.com>

Dear Dennis,
Hello from the District 5330 Conference Volunteer Coordinator (AND FELLOW PRESIDENT). I need your help for the upcoming **District Conference at Galway Downs on Saturday May 17th**. We need Rotary volunteers all day from riding the bus with the Interactors from the Desert Area, set up and clean up, monitoring the trash cans and calling the staff at Galway Downs to pick up the trash bags, to monitoring the steps that lead down to the arena where the stage for the speakers and the awards will be. I know that I can count on you guys to step up and get this information out to your clubs. I visited the site last Sunday for a committee meeting and folks will be comfortable whether we have rain or shine. DG Judy and the rest of the staff are working very hard to make this memorable. This will be a day of celebration as well as FUN. Let's come together and renew long standing friendships and make new Rotary friends and memories.

So **PLEASE SEND THE VOLUNTEER LINK OUT TO YOUR CLUBS.**
[https:// volunteersignup.org/M73H9](https://volunteersignup.org/M73H9)

Dr. Jim Yanoschik
President, Murrieta Rotary Club 2024-25
Rotary District 5330 Conference Volunteer Coordinator
drjimrotary@gmail.com
951-265-7195

A Rotarian needed to ride bus with Interact May 17

This is Jackie from Desert Hot Springs Rotary. I am reaching out because I wasn't sure if you were planning on attending the Interact conference on May 17. I am looking for someone who can ride the bus with the students. The person would need to be Livescan. Since it would be volunteering for the event, we would be able to cover their admission for the event.

Let me know if you're interested. Or if you know another Rotarian, who might be interested.

Thank you.
Jackie Chatman
213-822-2634
jackiedhsrotary@gmail.com

Wildlife Center Grand Opening



Desert Wildlife Center Grand Opening!

Please join us for our Desert Wildlife Center Grand Opening! We are in the final stages of completing extensive renovations to the facility and procurement of all necessary local, state and federal permits, and we anticipate that we will be able to begin accepting birds for rehabilitation in the next few weeks. The event is Saturday, May 17th from 9:00-11:00AM. The address is 46500 Van Buren St., Indio. See you there!

Tour de Palm Springs Thank You Dinner for Volunteers 2025

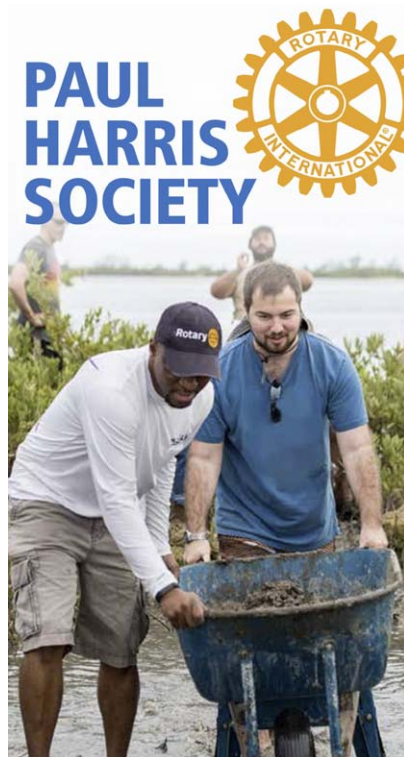




The Thank You Dinner for the Volunteers of the Tour de Palm Springs was held at a new location this year. It was held at a new event center at
78550 41 st Ave,
Bermuda Dunes, CA, 92203

Paul Harris Recognition Points

How to see your Paul Harris Recognition Points on your personal RI account.



Go to [Rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org).
Click on My Rotary.
Sign in or Create Account.
Scroll down and click on "Membership & Foundation Reports"
Under Individual Reports/Contributions and Recognition,
Select Donor History Report
This shows a spreadsheet style report with tabs at the bottom.
The tabs are Overview and Detail
Clicking on the printer icon at the top left creates a PDF to save.
Open the PDF to view or print your report.

To see your personal Donor History Report:

The overview tab is a one page summary of your status.

The detail tab shows every TRF (The Rotary Foundation) donation that you have made and also any recognition points that you have received or given away. The PDF combines both tabs into one file.

On the one page summary, there are three sets of numbers of interest.

In the upper right corner, the "PHF Recognition Amount" is the grand total of your cash donations plus any Recognition Points you have received.

Also in the upper right corner, the "Foundation Recognition Points" are points you earned (one dollar donation gets you one point) that are available to give to someone else.

(Many Rotarians, as their cash donations build up points, then transfer points to spouses, or children, or grandchildren, or anyone else. It takes 1,000 points to make someone else a Paul Harris Fellow. There are a lot of spouses and children of Rotarians who are Paul Harris Fellows.

Our club, Riverside East, just gave 1,000 points to Mark Godfrey, a non-Rotarian who works with us on our Show and Go car show. We will be presenting him with this honorary Paul Harris Fellow award at the car show this May 3rd.)

The third set of interesting numbers is in the middle of the page. The "Total Giving" number is the grand total of your actual cash donations to the Foundation.

(Some people give to the annual fund (where the DDF dollars eventually come from) and also to PolioPlus. The breakdown of those numbers is above the "Total Giving" line,)

This "Total Giving," which is all cash, no points added in, is what qualifies as Major Donor status -- \$10,000 cash, not points.

Let me know if you have any questions.

YIRS (Yours in Rotary Service),
Dennis Sullivan
dtmssoftware@compuserve.com

Math Field Day

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Zelle email addresses

For Rotary Club of Indio, email addresses when paying by Zelle:

- **indiorotaryjenn@yahoo.com** for the **Rotary Club of Indio Foundation** account. Use for all Raffle Tickets, Fund Raising, Club Projects, all Charitable Projects, & Interact support & scholarships.
- **indiorotary@gmail.com** for the **Operating** account. Use for club memberships, club lunches, happy dollars, & drawing tickets.

Jenn's telephone number goes to her personal account.

Business Memberships

Rotary Club of Indio was named
2024 Best Non-Profit of the Year by the:



Groups:



Thank you to our Business Memberships:



Chris & Jennifer Schultz Mike C olby



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Speakers

May 6th
[Shelly Soliz](#)
indio senior center
May 20th
[Vocational Training Team](#)

May 13th
[Zoom Meeting Ricardo Loretta](#)
CV Journalism Foundation
May 27th
[Marcos Coronel](#)

Birthdays



[Merlina Tate](#)
May 19th



[John Niederkorn](#)
June 3rd

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Club Anniversaries

Colton
May 1st
Coachella Valley
May 9th
[Wildomar](#)
May 19th
Cathedral City Evening
May 27th

[Temecula](#)
May 2nd
[Old Town Temecula](#)
May 17th
Moreno Valley Morning
May 21st
[Temecula Sunrise](#)
May 29th