Tuesday, we will have a Club Assembly & a guest speaker. Johanna Angeles will talk about her Rotary Study Abroad experience and the board members will bring us up to date.

February 6 Guest Speaker Presentation

Joining us on February 6 will be **Nicholas Campbell,** president-elect of Palm Springs Sunup
Rotary. Nick recently returned from a three
month humanitarian mission in Ukraine where he
was a volunteer for the Order of Malta, a lay
religious organization which assists the needy in
over 120 countries. The conflict in Ukraine is
personal to Nick - he gets his namesake from his
great grandfather who emigrated from Ukraine
100 years ago. Nick works during the day as a civil



engineer for Fomotor Engineering and at night as a lighting and sound technician for Palm Canyon Theatre. Our club joined several other clubs in District 5330 to help support Nick's trip. Please join us to hear Nick's firsthand account of his experiences in a war zone and his difficulty reconciling his Christian pacifist values in a troubled and violent world.

Upcoming Speakers & Meeting Schedules

- February 6 Ukrainian Humanitarian Mission, Nick Campbell
- February 13 Water to Mozambique, Karen Widerynski
- February 20 The Salvation Army, Major Neal Navarro
- February 27 Rotary Four Way Test Speech Winners

New Member Application

The Membership Chair and the Board of Directors are pleased to announce for a second time, an application for membership from Gary Jones. We hope to induct Gary this Tuesday!

Upcoming Events

This Thursday, February 1
Thirsty Thursday Night at Burgers and Beer

THIRSTY THURSDAYS

Join us at our February Thirsty Thursday

BURGERS & BEER

February 1, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm No reservation required Food and drinks available for purchase



Thursday of Each Month (Kind of)

72773 Dinah Shore Drive, Rancho Mirage.



The burgers, beer and service was so good, we're going there again . Check out the menu at <u>burgersandbeer.com</u>



- February 9 10 Tour de Palm Springs Fundraiser Sign up with Amy Laboda to volunteer.
- March 20 Rotary Night at the Firebirds Ticket reservations are now available for this valley-wide Rotary event. (scan the QR Code on the flyer to select your seat and buy your ticket.)



CORCHELLA VALLEY FIREBIADS

PALM DESERT ROTARY CLUB NIGHT

MARCH 20TH 7PM | ACRISURE ARENA

JOIN LOCAL ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS FOR A FUN NIGHT OF FIREBIRDS HOCKEY AND A PRE-GAME RECEPTION TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT ROTARY CLUBS ARE DOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ALL OVER THE WORLD

Section 118 and 110 | \$65 (Drink voucher included)





To purchase tickets, follow this link: https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/RotaryNight23

Or scan the QR code here:



 April 18 – The 2024 Outstanding Community Service Award Bird Garden Party. Save the date!



Serving the Community



Coats, Jackets and Sweaters for the Migrant Workers and Their Families.

Last year we collected 170 articles of warm outerwear that Edna delivered to the Galilee Center. Let's see if we can top that this year. Any size for adults or children, used or new, as well as blankets are needed during these cold months. Bring your donations on Tuesdays

The Rotary Four Way Test Speech Contest

Our Rotary 4-Way Test Speech Contest will take place at Palm Desert High School at 2:30 Tuesday, February 13. Chair Mary Scott informs us that we now have volunteers for the speech contest, but the students need an audience!

If you would like to attend, please check in at the PDHS office with photo ID <u>before 2:30.</u> The contest begins at 3.

Can't make that day? The top four contest will speak at

Rotary on February 27th. contact Mary Scott on mobile 209.559.5173 with any questions.

Angels of Service Schedule

Volunteers needed to shop one day this week for the CSUSB food pantry for the students.

Contact Buffy Cavaness if available 310-410-0001 only.buff.2020@gmail.com

You can also support the AOS with a Happy Dollars donation or the PayPal link below.

Galilee Center

Volunteer Opportunities

Tuesdays 9:30 am - 11:00 am Fill food baskets

Thursdays 9:30 am - 11:00 am Fill produce bags

Thursdays 2:15 pm - 4 pm

Help load food boxes into the vehicles' trunks. Fast-Paced.

Must be able to lift approx. 25lbs.

Monday - Saturday 9 am - 5 pm

Help in store, warehouse and food storage. Sweep, mop, organize, sort items & clothing, move furniture.

To volunteer, call 760-396-9100 or email ltorres@galileecenter.org.

Meeting Information



Help the Club save money by buying a lunch ticket or paying with cash for lunch

Do you pay for your lunch with a credit card? Consider buying a 5 punch lunch ticket so we pay credit card fees on 1 transactions instead of 5. The more we save on administrative cost, the more club funds go to doing good!

Weekly Rotary Meeting Information

We meet in person at 11:45 am on Tuesdays at the Palm Valley Country Club, Palm Desert. We also offer a Zoom option for our out-of-town members. We ask all Rotarians and guests who are able to, to please attend in person.

- Please make a reservation by the Thursday before. You can RSVP by sending an email to <u>palmdesertrotary@gmail.com</u> or replying the reservation request e-mail. that goes out each week.
- Please arrive at 11:45 am register, socialize, and be seated so the meeting can start promptly at 12:00 pm.

Please Note: If you have reservation <u>and do not cancel</u>, you may be asked to pay for the lunch if we fall short of our reserved headcount.

NEW-Regular Zoom Meeting Link

The Zoom Room opens at 11:45am and the meeting begins at 12 Noon.

Join by **CLICKING HERE**

or Join Zoom Meeting via the Zoom web: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83770058317?
pwd=OCtHdFBhM1BJbXgzcmYvTHliZzNTQT09

Dialing in? Find the number by your location at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kvn6rknU6

Meeting ID: 837 7005 8317

Passcode: PD885



Pay Your Happy Dollars, lunch or other donations online by Clicking the PayPal logo above.

Select a category from the drop down or select *other* and add a note when you enter your payment information to indicate what your payment is for.

You don't need to have a PayPal account to use this link You can use any credit or debit account.

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