

PALM DESERT, CA



DESERT BREEZE

PALM DESERT ROTARY – DISTRICT 5330

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September 13, 2022

Executive Director Dan Zimmerman speaks tomorrow on the **Read with Me** program which is actively seeking volunteer for this year. Its mission is to assist children from a low income, limited English speaking environment develop to their fullest potential by learning to

read, comprehend and speak English. As the former principal of Incline Elementary School, Dan Zimmerman has witnessed first hand the impact that **Read with Me** volunteers have on student achievement.



NEXT WEEK

Jason Lucas and Lisa Francis, Water Management Specialists with Coachella Valley Water District, will be joining us to giving an overview of the drought conditions in our desert, and how we can provide solutions with support of the Water District.

NEWS & EVENTS

Upcoming SPEAKERS

- **September 6** – Rotary Vocational Service, Marilyn Sanderson
- **September 13** – Read With Me Literacy Program, Dan Zimmerman, Executive Director
- **September 20** – Coachella Valley Water District, John Lewis
- **October 4** – State of the City of Palm Desert, Jan Harnik, Mayor
- **October 11**– Ranked Choice Voting Palm Desert, Anthony Mejia City Clerk
*Note this meeting will be off site at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Rancho Mirage.
- **October 18** – End Polio Now, Marilyn Sanderson District Polio Chair
- **October 25** – District Governor Visit, Dan Casper District 5330 Governor

New Member!

We are pleased to announce that an application for membership has been received from Maryalice Alberg Owings. Ms. Owings has been a teacher and a school administrator for her entire career, most recently serving as Principal of Lyndon B. Johnson Elementary School from 2006-2013 and Abraham Lincoln Elementary School from 2013 until her retirement this year. (Rotarians who have participated in the Read Across America program at Lincoln will remember Maryalice graciously welcoming us as we donned our Cat in the Hat hats.) She was named Co-Administrator of the Year by the California Association of School Administrators (ACSA) in 2005 and Riverside County Principal of the Year in 2015. Over the years, Maryalice has served in numerous leadership positions in ACSA including President. Currently residing in Palm Desert she has six children and seven grandchildren and enjoys reading, traveling and going to concerts. Maryalice's sponsor is Carol Winston.

Social Recap



Palm Desert Rotary Calendar of Events

- **October 8 – District Gala at Westin Mission Hills with RI President Jennifer Jones! This will be an amazing Rotary event so don't miss it.**
- **October 25 – District Governor Don Casper visits our club,**
- **October 21 – Community Forum on Human Trafficking at Pollack Theater at COD** (this is a change of location. See the flyer below for details.)
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 • **October 30 – The Pancake Breakfast and Golf Cart Parade** (Chair Mark Stanley) (interested in working on a golf cart entry, contact Jennifer Loretta.)
- **November 19-20 – PRYDE for Middle School Student** (Chair Priscilla Dewing)
- **November – We start our annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing project** (Chair Phil Rushing)
- **December – Holiday Party** (Chairs Leroy Johnson and Angelique Ontiveros)
- **December – Annual collections and distributions for the Galilee Center** (Chair Carol Winston)
- **January 6-8 – Mexicali Weekend Project** (see more information below)
- **January 23 – Club Golf tournament, Monterey Country Club**
- **February 11 – Tour de Palm Springs Beer Garden**

Volunteer Opportunities

Our committees are gearing up for the year, so now's the time to get involved by joining one of them. All are on zoom and if you missed the information in emails. Contact the Chairperson.

September, Pancake Breakfast, Mark Stanley, mark.stanley@microcool.com

September 15, 6 pm - Board of Directors Meeting - Amy Laboda

The Mini-Muster Fire Safety Program

coordinated by the Historical Society of Palm Desert in partnership with the Desert Sands School District and Riverside County Fire Department, is looking for volunteers to help with this fun but very important program. Dates and locations are:

Tuesday, October 4 – Abraham Lincoln Elementary

Thursday, October 5 – Gerald Ford Elementary

Tuesday, October 11 – Washington Charter School

Thursday, October 13 – Jimmy Carter Elementary

Tuesday, October 18 – Ronald Reagan Elementary

Each Muster event s from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.

To sign up or for more information, contact Jim Brock at jbrock92260@gmail.com or 760-391-2582.



Angels of Service is continuing through the Summer so if you have a couple of hours once or twice a month to help, contact AoS Chair Buffy Cavaness to sign up.

310-410-0001, only.buff.2020@gmail.com

Can't do the shopping? You can support the AOS with a donation via the Happy Dollars PayPal link below.

The Galilee Center

Volunteer days and hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 am to assemble food boxes and Thursday for the distribution at 3 pm.

To volunteer, contact **Lupe Torres** at ltorres@galileecenter.org



We're going back to Mexicali in January

We will be painting classrooms at Eduardo Huet school for deaf youth and visiting UREDAE homeless shelter.

January 6-8

\$70 per person

For more details, contact Ricardo Loretta

Member Information

Weekly Rotary Meetings ABC's

We meet in person at 11:45 am on Tuesdays at the Monterey Country Club, 41500 Monterey Ave. Palm Desert. We also offer a Zoom option for our out of town members. However, we ask all Rotarians and guests who are comfortable doing so, attend in person.

A. Make a reservation by the Thursday before. You can RSVP by sending an email To palmdesertrotary@gmail.com or answering the reservation request e-mail.

B. If you arrive at 11:45 am, there's time to register, socialize and the meeting can start promptly at 12:00 pm.

C. Have your payment ready when you arrive. Cash or check is preferred, however debit and credit card will always be accepted.

Please Note: If you have reservation and do not cancel, you are asked to pay for the lunch. We have to provide a count to the club by Thursday before each Tuesday.

[Regular Zoom Meeting Link](#)

When:

Tuesday beginning at 12:00 noon

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

Join by [CLICKING HERE](#)

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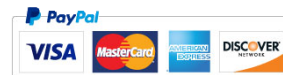


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