



Matthew McLeroy, director of development and programs, for Desert Best Friend's Closet, will be speaking on Tuesday.

## Next Week: the RI Convention Report and the Rotary Environmental Sustainability Action Group

We'll enjoy a Rotary Doubleheader on August 13 when we're scheduled to hear about June's Rotary International Convention in Singapore as well as the latest efforts by Rotary International to see Rotary clubs run more sustainable events. Palm Desert Rotarians **Angelique Ontiveros, Maryalice Owings, Tony Gentry and Mark and Maria Meyer** attended the Singapore convention and each of them will provide a brief report.



Member **Jack Fitzsimmons**, new to Palm Desert Rotary but an experienced Rotarian, is also scheduled to share Rotary's latest sustainability efforts with us. The Rotary Environmental Sustainability Action Group has produced a Green Events Handbook to promote sustainability. The handbook provides a step by step guide to planning and conducting green events. Jack hopes to see our club utilize the handbook in planning our October Pancake Breakfast. The action group has also developed a Flight Carbon Estimator which will allow individual Rotarians to estimate flight carbon emissions and offset those emissions with donations to the Rotary Foundation's Environmental Fund.

### Upcoming Speakers & Meeting Schedules

- **August 13** – Cabot's Pueblo Museum, Irene Rodriguez
- **August 20** – Family YMCA of the Desert, Paula Simonds
- **August 27** – Palm Spring Air Museum, Ed Miccio

### Last week at the meeting...

We presented a check for \$1,500 to Claudia Castorena and Lupe Torres Hilario from the Galilee Center to support their programs in East Valley.



Viola Benson gave a Rotary Moment Talk



Mark Stanley presented plans for the 2024 Pancake Breakfast



Judy Lozano reviewed the finances for 2023-24

## More opportunities to help in our community and across the world ...

ShelterBox Donation Information

Ways to help the CV Animal Campus

Pencils, crayons, folders, oh my. There's still time to buy a Backpack supply!

We're collecting any of the listed items for the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission Backpack and School Supply Drive. Bring your donations to our weekly meeting Tuesday.


**CVRM**  
 Coachella Valley Rescue Mission  
 47470 Van Buren Street, Indio

**Backpack & School Supply Drive**

**Items Needed**

- New Backpacks
- Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Pencil Cases
- #2 Pencils
- Mechanical Pencils
- Sharpeners
- Erasers
- Rulers
- Adult Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Crayons 24 count
- Calculators
- Notebook Paper
- Spiral Notebooks
- Folders
- 3 Ring Binders
- Safety Scissors
- Scientific Calculators
- Index Cards



## Angels of Service Schedule

\* Contact Buffy Cavaness for future dates for Angels of Service and if you would like to volunteer.

(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 3:45 pm - 5 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 or get more information on the Food Basket Distributions dates and times, call 760-396-9100 or email [ltorres@galileecenter.org](mailto:ltorres@galileecenter.org).

## Mark your Rotary Calendars for these Events



### October 27- The Pancake Breakfast at the Golf Cart Parade

November 18 - The Rotary Golf  
Fundraiser will be held at Shadow  
Mountain Golf Club



## Meeting Information

Palm Desert  
**Rotary**  
Club



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**\$125 LUNCH TICKET**

**\$25 \$25 \$25 \$25 \$25**

Treat this card like cash.

**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. The meeting starts promptly at 12:00 noon so arrive early to register and socialize.

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.

### **NEW-Regular Zoom Meeting** [Link](#)

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

Join by [CLICKING HERE](#)

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[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83770058317?  
pwd=OCtHdFBhM1BJbXgzcmYvTHliZzNTQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83770058317?pwd=OCtHdFBhM1BJbXgzcmYvTHliZzNTQT09)

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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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