



## Tuesday, August 1, Desert Healthcare District



**Conrado E. Bázquez, MD**, is Chief Executive Officer at the Desert Healthcare District and Foundation. He is an internationally recognized public health leader with over 20 years of experience tackling public health and healthcare access challenges and public health programs both in the US and abroad. Dr. Bázquez joined the Desert Healthcare District and Foundation in July 2019, and has led the development of the Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative, which gained national and international media recognition for its emphasis on health equity during the COVID-19 response. He will talk about how the DHD & Foundation provides health and wellness services and programs through philanthropy, health facilities, information and community education, and public policy across the Coachella Valley.

## Next Week- Angel View

**Kristin Bloomer**, Major Gifts Officer for Angel View, will talk about their mission of helping children and adults with disabilities. Angel View was founded in 1954 on a natural hot mineral water spring in Desert Hot Springs by a group of parents whose children suffered from polio. Today, the organization operates group homes, a day program for adults with intellectual disabilities, and an outreach program to provide support and services to families. To support their programs, Angel View operated 14 resale stores throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.



Kristin, a long time Palm Springs resident, started her community service early when as a teenager she first volunteered with The Braille Institute and the National Charity League of Palm Springs. Kristin is a member of the Palm Springs Sunup Rotary and has served in many Rotary roles including club Foundation President, Assistant Governor, and Chair of the Palm Springs Chalk Art Festival. She also serves on the Desert Water Agency Board and has a long list of other community involvements.

## Save the Date for These Important Events!

- **Palm Desert Rotary 75th Anniversary Jubilee**  
Monday, October 23, the JW Marriott, Desert Springs, 11 am -1:30 pm.
- **Pancake Breakfast at the Golf Cart Parade**  
Sunday, October 29, 8 am to 12 pm.
- **Palm Desert Rotary Birthday Cocktail Party**  
Sunday, November 12, Shadow Mountain Golf Course

## Upcoming Speakers &

- **August 1 – Desert Health Care District & Foundation, Dr. Conrado Bázquez, CEO**
- **August 3 – Thirsty Thursday, See details below**

# Meeting Schedules

- **August 8 – Angel View**, Kristen Bloomer, Major Gifts Officer
- **August 15 – Variety Club of the Desert**, Heidi Maldoon, Executive Director

**THIRSTY THURSDAYS** } First Thursday of Each Month

Join us at this month's Thirsty Thursday

August 3, 2023, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
No reservation required  
Food and cocktails available for purchase

Palm Desert **Rotary** Club 

We're circling the wagons again at the **COWBOY CANTINA**. Same good food, drink and socializing but this time we will meet in an area with more room to mingle. Look for us at the right of the entrance.



72620 El Paseo, Palm Desert, CA 92260

## What Happened Last Week



Rotary Foundation Chair, Jennifer Loretta presented an overview of the Foundation– what it does, how it functions, and how we all can participate in the grants and programs it supports. If you would like a copy of the presentation, email [jlloretta@gmail.com](mailto:jlloretta@gmail.com)

As a bonus, PDG Ricardo Loretta (AKA Taco) gave a shop talk on his career. It all began in Dinamita, Mexico in the 40's where he started his fundraising career asking for donations for lemonade from the neighbors. Here he is in his formal business suit circa 1946.



## Angels of Service Schedule

AOS is only a 2-3 hour commitment in the morning from 9-noon.  
Contact Buffy Cavaness for dates and locations!

310-410-0001 [only.buff.2020@gmail.com](mailto:only.buff.2020@gmail.com)

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

## Galilee Center

### Regular Weekly Volunteer Opportunities

Tuesdays 10am - 11am - Fill food baskets

Thursdays 10am - 11am - Fill produce bags - Thursdays 2:45pm - 4pm

Help load food boxes into the vehicles' trunks.

Interested in volunteering? Please give call 760-396-9100 or email [ltorres@galileecenter.org](mailto:ltorres@galileecenter.org).

## Meeting Information

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

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**\$125 LUNCH TICKET**

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transactions instead of 5. The more we save on administrative cost, the more club funds go to doing good!

## Weekly Rotary Meeting Information

We now 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 [palmdesertrotary@gmail.com](mailto:palmdesertrotary@gmail.com) 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 and do not cancel, you may be asked to pay for the lunch if we fall short of our reserved headcount.**

### 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/7942121195?pwd=cHZWNTJpdmRrOXM0bU9LOTFPUE3dz09>

Dialing in? Find the number by your location at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcYD3ZtIHQ>

Meeting ID: 794 212 1195  
 Passcode: 0764601



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

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## Your Rotary Board

### Rotary Club of Palm Desert Board of Directors 2023-24

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