

Saturday, April 6, 2024

Scott Styles, Palm Springs City Manager

By James M. Dunn Jr.

Palm Springs
Meets at Tapestry Room
(off lobby entrance)
Palm Springs Hilton 400
E Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262
Time: Wednesday at
11:45 AM

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Speakers

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Angel View A non-profit serving children and adults with disabilities. Angel View's mission is helping children and adults with disabilities reach their maximum potential.

April 17, 2024

[President Karl will lead our discussion](#)

Our annual planning meeting to mold our Plan of Action for 2024/25

Club Leaders



[Karl D. Kruger](#)
President



[James M. Dunn Jr.](#)
Secretary



Scott shared that since his arrival, Palm Springs has experienced some unusual weather events, most poignantly, the hurricane that washed out Vista Chino and damaged neighborhoods throughout the valley. Scott explained that Governor Newsome visited the city at the time of the storm and saw the damage first-hand. The City subsequently received \$50 million in disaster relief funds in addition to other funding to help build a bridge across the wash at Vista Chino. This will maintain emergency access

following flood and wind events.

Scott then reviewed the Manager/Council form of government used in PS and noted that except for four cities, all cities in California are Manager/Council governed (as opposed to a "strong mayor" form of government).

He also shared that since arriving, the community has identified homelessness as the number one concern of residents. Scott then reviewed the progress the City has made in developing housing and services for the homeless in our community. The first 55 beds are open at the new navigation center. By having beds for unhoused people, the police can take a more active role in moving people off the streets and into housing. The next phase will be opening 80 units of longer-term housing on the navigation center campus.

Scott noted that a recent point in time count showed that the number of homeless people on the streets has dropped from 370 to 150 since the opening of the Center.

Other big projects in the planning include:

Library Renovation, Fire Station #1 relocation, Airport plan to go from 16 to 32 gates, Affordable Housing Projects

Clearly, we have a lot going on in our little city!



Michele Nobleman
Treasurer
iPast President



Robert C. Allan
Club Director



Judy J. Bronstein
Club Director
Youth Services
Chair



Jack Fitzsimmons
Club Director
Rotary
Foundation
Chair
International
Service Chair



Dennis V. Hacker
Club Director
Community
Service Chair



Frank E. Peabody
Club Director
Sergeant-at-Arms



Walter William Gendell
Membership
Chair



Timothy A. Ellis
Club Foundation
President

Birthdays

James Griffes
April 15th
Timothy A. Ellis
April 23rd

Tour de Palm Springs supports both Club and Foundation



Cody Shelton from the Tour de Palm Springs reported that they had 5,100 riders this year and raised a little over \$530,000 with over \$300,000 going to non-profits. Cody recognized Frank and Dennis for their amazing work on planning the apparel sales at the event and presented checks in the amounts of **\$5,000 to our club** from our volunteer

work on the Tour and an **additional \$5,000 from Jim Dowler**, one of our past club Presidents now living in Arizona for our Rotary Palm Springs Club Foundation.

Tim also recognized Bob Allan and Dick O'™Linn for recent donations to the Club Foundation of \$100 each.

Tim, Michele, Frank, Karl and Nandy then donated \$100 each and encouraged others to donate to our Foundation as well to help fund grants and scholarships in the community. Tim donated his weekly Opportunity Drawing winnings also to our Foundation.

THANK YOU ALL FOR SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL PALM SPRINGS ROTARY FOUNDATION!

Announcements

April 13: Angel View prom, set-up at 11am and 3pm for the event—|all hands on deck for this very special event. We have a new location this year at Cahuilla Elementary School on Mesquite Avenue. Please notify Judy of where you can assist! psbronsteins@gmail.com !

May 23: Foundation Scholarship Awards at PSHS at 6pm

June 15: District IGNITE FESTIVAL at Lake Skinner in Hemet - this is in place of the annual District Conference and should be great Rotary fun!



Farewell to Tom, another of our favorite sojourners is returning home for another spring and summer away—|safe travels Tom!

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Club members and their activities



Michele perfected White Chicken Chili!



Bob and Frank enjoying the pool patio!



Cindy is chatting with our City Manager.

Looking comfortable Tim.





Jim & Michele working by the pool
-rough!
