

The Desertarian

The Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Palm Springs,

Rotary



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

March 31, 2021

March is Water & Sanitation Month



President John Fritch

President: John Fritch, **President-Elect:** Paul Raffer, **Secretary:** Ed McBride, **Treasurer:** Eileen Reilly
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District Governor: Barry Valdez
Desertarian Reporters: Frank Peabody, Barbara Lippert, Jim Dunn, Nandy Kruger



This Weeks Program

Deserterian Reporter—Barbara Lippert

Club Assembly:

Tim Ellis, chair of our Palm Springs Foundation-Our investments have increased by \$96,000. Today is the last day for requests for grants. Andrea will be heading committee for High School scholarships.

Ed-Community service. Even with Covid we were able to accomplish a lot. Ed reached our goals with a new directory. We renamed our book give away to the Milt Levinson book give away. Books are ordered, with Ed's connection to Random House saving us more money.

Helene- Rotary Foundation- Year to date our club has given \$5,513. We have room for growth. A lot of us are doing monthly withdrawals.

Eileen-Treasurer, We have \$53,000 in our accounts presently.

Dorys-We are working on funding a computer to the library in Nicaragua.

Frank-Membership-Frank organized Tour de Palm Springs netting our club \$600. Our new fund raiser is set to go Tomorrow at 5. We are hopeful about raising money for our club to continue assisting our community. Frank is busy talking with possible members. Frank is requesting we do coffee get together to talk about Rotary to possible future members. He has 3 possible new members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us on Zoom each week at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84324635354>
 Meeting ID: 843 2463 5354

Birthdays and Anniversaries for March

Member Birthdays	Birthday	
Keller, Daniel R. (DANIEL)	3/28/21	
Raffer, Paul Kenneth MD (PAUL)	3/13/21	
Wachs, Jacqueline Campagne (JACQUE)	3/16/21	
Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Alderman, David (DAVID)	3/19/97	24
Allan, Robert C. (BOB)	3/4/64	57
Saunders, Ryan (RYAN)	3/5/14	7

This Weeks Program (Continued)

Barbara-Vocational-Our ability to gather 8 businesspeople and 8 health and wellness people to speak on zoom gave students credit for an internship. We all have enjoyed learning more about each other with our vocational minutes,

Paul-Club Services-Looking for more speakers. Please send Paul possible suggestions. Don't forget coins for kids and continuing to send money in.

Paul-Our incoming president spoke of some new additions as well as continuing everything we are doing. Finding new members at the chambers and around town. Having a bigger media footprint, he has set up committees to keep our website and Facebook going. Paul is asking us as a club to come together to assist the homeless students and their families.

Thanks to our gift of a computer from John we will be able to Zoom our meeting when the Hilton is ready to open up for us.

Remind our non-zoom members to join us at Billy Reed's the last Monday of the month at 8:30 AM for breakfast.

Victoria did our trivia.