

# Rotary

## Club of Palm Springs



Friday, April 18, 2025

## Palm Springs Parks & Recreation

By Judy J. Bronstein

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

**April 23, 2025**

[Larry Harris](#)

Living Out Experience

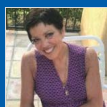
### Club Leaders



[Karl D. Kruger](#)  
President



[Mark Vivian](#)  
President-Elect



[Michele Nobleman](#)  
Secretary  
Past President



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

[Robert C. Allan](#)  
Club Director



Nicolas Gonzalez, Director of Palm Springs Parks & Recreation, who has only been on the job for 4 months, gave a very interesting presentation. Gonzalez brings 13 years of experience from his tenure with the city of Ontario, where he has served as the director of that city's Recreation and Community Services Department since 2020.

There are only 47 paid staff in the P&R department. The

challenge is to update 11 parks for climate change and shade facilities. There will be a lot of pickle ball courts added to Palm Springs at Demuth Park. Baristo Park is getting a new play area and more shade. Watering in the parks in the future will need to be considered. The Parks and Recreation department is also working with Prescott preserve.



Zubair Backabye, Rotarian from Riverside East, stopped by with Erik Anderson to talk about humanitarian projects globally and specifically in Uganda, Africa working with the ITT Africa project for which our club assisted in allocating

District Funds.

## Club Happenings and Upcoming

Without Michele here to sing the welcome guest song, Karl stepped in to do



Past President



Judy J. Bronstein  
Club Director  
Past President  
Youth Services  
Chair



Frank E. Peabody  
Club Director  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
Past President



Ryan Saunders  
Club Director



Ector Simpson  
Club Director



John W. Williams  
Club Director



Timothy A. Ellis  
Club Foundation  
President  
Past President

## Birthdays

Timothy A. Ellis  
April 23rd  
Michele Nobleman  
May 9th

it. Singing is not his strong suit. 😊

Rotary  
District 5330

# TRAINING ASSEMBLY

Preparing Rotarians to Shape the Future

**SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025**

**CHECK IN @ 7:30 AM**

**\$30.00 PER PERSON**

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**TAHQITZ HIGH SCHOOL**  
4425 Titan Trail, Hemet, CA 92545

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**UNLEASH**  
THE POWER OF YOU

**REGISTER @**  
[www.rotary5330.org](http://www.rotary5330.org)

Our President Elect, Mark Vivian, is going to the district training session on Saturday next week in Hemet. (See to left) Mark wants to know if anyone would like ride with him. Give Mark a call.

This is a great day to learn more about "How Rotary Works".



Karl announced that the district conference is on May 17<sup>th</sup> in Temecula and it sounds like a lot of fun.

Our Interact club showed a lot of interest and Judy is working with them to arrange their attendance.

**You are also Invited to Rotary Day at Galway (Site of Olympic Equestrian '28) - District Conference, Celebration, & Community**

**May 17th, 2025**

10AM Interact Conference Begins  
11 AM to 6 PM - Epic Day of Service, District Conference, Peace Pole Dedication  
Galway Downs Equestrian Facility in Temecula Wine Country

**Ticket prices** range from \$31-\$42 - Full Meal included in the \$42 ticket price

Additional food and drinks available for purchase -No-Host Bar Onsite

**Tickets on Sale Now:** <https://www.district5330.org/rotary-day-at-galway-district-conference-celebration-community>

