



# The Palms to Pines Weekly

Palm Desert-Palms To Pines Rotary Club

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P.O. Box 3265, Palm Desert, CA 92261



## The Four-Way Test

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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Charles Riggs

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### New Generations

Margaret Claggett

## This Week: Martha's Village

**Kimberly Stauffer**, senior manager of development for Martha's Village and Kitchen, will be our speaker this week. Martha's Village and Kitchen is one of the largest providers of homeless services in the

Coachella Valley and Riverside County. They envision a community where all people have the opportunity to live to their full potential; where everyone has food, housing, healthcare and education.

Please let **Lillian Roberts** know of any program ideas for future meetings. Our valley is full of interesting people and organizations so let's share some of them with our members!

## Paul Harris Society Dinner

The District 5330 Paul Harris Society Dinner is tonight at San Bernardino's Arrowhead Country Club. The scheduled speaker is **Steven Solomon**, the Rotary Foundation's senior giving officer for western North America. Before joining the Rotary Foundation, **Solomon** was an Interact Club member and an Ambassadorial Scholar in South Africa. **Solomon** oversees Rotary Foundation fundraising in 22 districts and works as an advocate for donors in those districts.

## Last Week: Braille Institute

With us last week was **Felice Chiapperini**, educational programs manager for the Braille Institute. The Braille Institute was founded in Los Angeles in 1919. It started as a Braille library and soon evolved into a Braille bookstore and Braille book publisher. Now, the non-profit operates six centers throughout Southern California which provide fee programs, classes and services for the visually impaired. **Felice** told us how technology has improved the lives of the visually impaired. The smart phone, he says, has become the Braille of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Smart phones come with built-in technology for the blind and there are currently over 200 apps available to help the visually impaired. Also last week, **Margaret Claggett** was a lucky \$4 winner in the Rotary Raffle.

## District Conference Is May 18-20

Our District 5330 Conference is planned for the Double Tree By Hilton Golf Resort in Cathedral City May 18-20. Conference organizers are planning a golf tournament for Friday, May 18 followed by a "new and improved" Hospitality Night that evening. They promise new and exciting speakers, an elegant black tie Saturday evening gala and a wonderful Sunday brunch. If you sign up before February 14, you'll be entered into a drawing to have the entire conference weekend for free. Visit [www.visitrotary.com](http://www.visitrotary.com) for more info.

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### Today's Quote

*"The best argument against democracy is a five-minute conversation with the average voter."*

**--Winston Churchill**

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Wednesday at 7:30  
a.m. at Desert Falls  
Country Club**

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## Rotarian Of The Week

*Our Rotarian of the Week will arrive early and help set up, greet Rotarians and visitors as they arrive, provide the invocation, lead the flag salute and introduce visiting Rotarians and guests. If you're scheduled and can't attend, **YOU** are responsible for securing a replacement!*

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|---------|-----------------|---------|-------------------|
| Jan. 3  | Richard Karp    | Feb. 21 | Kay Van Zandt     |
| Jan. 10 | Jerry Kress     | Feb. 28 | Doug Walker       |
| Jan. 17 | Martin Kubelik  | Mar. 7  | Jim Brock         |
| Jan. 24 | Mike Laughlin   | Mar. 14 | Margaret Claggett |
| Jan. 31 | Paul Parry      | Mar. 21 | Kelli Cox         |
| Feb. 7  | Charles Riggs   | Mar. 28 | Donna-Lee Ekstrom |
| Feb. 14 | Lillian Roberts | Apr. 4  | Kim Hardee        |

### Make Up A Meeting!

Have to miss our weekly meeting? In addition to an eClub, there are plenty of other local meeting possibilities. Here are a few:

**Monday:** Noon, Indian Wells, IW Club

**Tuesday:** 7 a.m., Indio Sunrise, Heritage Palms Country Club

**Tuesday:** Noon, Palm Desert, Desert Falls Country Club

**Wednesday:** Noon, Palm Springs, The 360

**Thursday:** 7:30 a.m. Rancho Mirage, Mission Hills Country Club

**First & Third Thursdays:** 5:30 p.m., Palm Desert Sunset, Homewood Suites

**Friday:** 12:15 p.m., La Quinta, Cliff House Restaurant

#### Meeting Assignment

February 7:  
**Charles Riggs**

#### Next Week's Guest Speaker

TBA



## Coming Up At Palms To Pines

### February, 2018

#### February Is World Understanding Month

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, 7:30 a.m., Speaker: **Kimberly Stauffer**, Martha's Village and Kitchen

Thursday, February 8, 2018, 5:30 p.m., **Board of Directors**, Roc's Firehouse

Wednesday, February 14, 2018, 7:30 a.m., Speaker: **TBA**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 7:30 a.m., Speaker: **Connie Golds**, Desert Best Friend's Closet

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 7:30 a.m., Speaker: **Tom & Michelle Bianco**, Pawnshield Fine Jewelry and Loan

### March, 2018

#### March is Literacy Month

Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 7:30 p.m., Speaker: **Mayor Sabby Jonathan**, Palm Desert Update