



# **The Desertarian**

**Newsletter of the  
Rotary Club of Palm Springs, California**



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Issue 2

Your scribe for the week is Max Morgan - who gallantly filled his post and produced the interesting newsletter

Christine is back. She opened meeting at 12:11 pm.

Lisa Reagan led the pledge. Dave Alderman led the 4 way Test (*Alderman was there THAT early?- ed*)  
Marv Goldberg is back.

Dan Keller introduced visiting Rotarians- Rajendra and Shanta Mehta from Brazil. Both are past Presidents. They brought with them brother in law Suresh Mohnot: also Noel Downs and wife were visiting from the UK.

Announcements- Frank Peabody, thanked everyone for participating at the Fiesta Days Festival.

Denise Ellis- announced that the 4th and 5th graders received laptops, and that the early acts will not have a problem finding a President. The volunteer program may start next week. She still needs a few volunteers.

Jim Dowler announced The USO gathering in Pioneertown.

How about the perfect attendance- in years Norm Brown 2, Hal Castle 2, Jerry M 3, Ray Corvan 4, Jacque Wachs 5, Bob Barratt 6, John Glen 6, Bob Elsner 8, Ed Ellis 8, Frank Peabody 10, Helene Kalfus 16, Dick Hostrof 17, Mike Brill 19, George Sonia 23 and Milt Levinson the big 39.

Jim Dunn Announced the Chile cook off for The Chips Foundation Oct. 9

Scott Chrissman was inducted returning again by Frank Peabody and Gary Luce. He is sponsored by Milt.

Mike Brill introduced the guest speaker. Steve Fabian Palm Springs Head Football Coach the CIF champions of last year. He has been at Palm Springs High for 30 years, 26 coaching and 11 as the Head Coach.

Palm Springs had never won a CIF championship before. He talked about keeping the team motivated through all of the obstacles that they face, for instance practice in 117 degree weather. He also discussed how important the leadership that the school is. Everyone participates to make it work.

He compared the school with the Rotary's leadership in the community. I was really touched by his speech, because I can relate. I myself was raised by a single parent I have six sisters and one brother. If not for the Pop Warner Program, great coaches at my High School I would have never went on to play Division one Football and own my own business today.

He also went on to say, remember everyone is watching. We must lead by example. You watch the games on your computer at [sfabian@psusd.us](mailto:sfabian@psusd.us).

Hal Castle reminded us about Oct 2nd at The Palm Springs Air Museum.

This week donations, Milt, John Craig, Mike Brill, Frank Peabody, Ray Corvan, Hal Castle, Carl Krueger, Bob Barrit, Max Morgan and Art Snow. The questions were quite tough.

Happy dollars. Mike Brill for Steve Fabian, Scott for his return, Jacque for Scotts return Rajendra for being here, and Don for finally making it to all of the Ball Parks.

Came to a close at 1:15

Remember Palm Springs Mayor Steve Pougnet is due to address us Rotarians this Wednesday - get your seat early (as I guess he wishes he can get HIS seat early as well!)