

Monday, March 10, 2025

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**

March 12, 2025
Laura James, Coachella
Valley Economic
Partnership

March 19, 2025
Tom Lieber, Past
President 2006-07
Cooperstown NY District
7170

Craft Talk - Three time Paul Harris, Member of Rotary International for 27 years Woodworker by trade...

March 26, 2025
Alexandra (Lexe)
McCally, Major Gifts &
Engagement Officer,
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# Robert C. Allan Day

By Michele Nobleman



Oh Happy Day! We had a big celebration of the 61<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Bob Allan's involvement with the Palm Springs Rotary. Rotary VIPs were in attendance, including District Governor Judy Zulfiqar (via video), District Governor Elect Nyron McLean, District Governor Nominee Richard Lemire, Past District Governor Ricardo "Taco" Loretta, and of

course, Past District Governor Carrie Allan, Bob's wife of 62 years.

PS Rotary Club President presided over the celebration, with a long distance Thought of the Day provided via Zoom by President Elect, Mark Vivian, vacationing in the Cayman Islands. Presentations included Proclamations from the City of Palm Springs, the County of Riverside and a special one presented by our own honorary member: PDG Dick O'Linn, from the Rotary Club of Woodland Hills.

Throughout the celebration, various individuals stood and told terrible jokes, as a tribute to the jokes that Bob is well known for. This included Sean, Bob and Carrie's son, who had recently moved back to the desert. Sean said this part of the celebration was similar to hearing Bob pipe up at holiday dinners with his terrible jokes.

We even had a "fake" Bob, when we stole Bob's "First Dude" jacket and Rotary hat for sojourner Roger Micalko to wear while doing Bob's usual job of selling 50/50 tickets during the meeting.

The keynote speaker of the afternoon was PDG Carrie Allan, with a heartfelt talk about her history with Bob and his involvement in Rotary and with Rotarians. Everyone enjoyed "Bob Allan Day".

Acrisure Arena Coachella Valley Firebirds & Berger Foundation Iceplex

#### **Club Leaders**



Karl D. Kruger President



Mark Vivian President-Elect



Michele Nobleman Secretary Past President



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Bronstein
Club Director
Past President
Youth Services
Chair



Frank E.
Peabody
Club Director
Sergeant-atArms
Past President



Ryan Saunders Club Director



Ector Simpson Club Director



John W. Williams Club Director



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### **Upcoming Programs**



New sojourner, Tom Lieber won the first drawing, but no love for the black marble. However Tom will be with us **March 19** to provide a Craft Talk to our club.

Progressive Dinner will be held on March 16<sup>th</sup>, starting at Jim Dunn's home for appetizers at 5 p.m., on to Judy Bronstein's for dinner (Ryan Saunders will be cooking!), then dessert at the Kruger's home.

Mar 12 Laura James CVEP's CEO is also a sports fanatic, music lover, and consumer technology junkie. With an undergraduate degree in education, certificates in economic development, nonprofit management, and information systems management, and an M.B.A., she helps tech founders prove that business has the power to make the world an amazing place. Laura is the only Certified Economic Developer (CEcD) in the Coachella Valley.

Mar 26 Lexe McCally, Joshua Tree National Park Association (JTNPA)

Mar 29 Angel View Prom at Cahuilla Elementry School



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# **Birthdays**

Daniel R. Keller March 28th Bernadette Kruger April 1st