



DESERT CHRIST PARK



NEWSLETTER SPRING 2020

FUN FACTS:

SAVE THE DATE

Easter 2021 we will celebrate 70 years at Desert Christ Park.

Plan to join us for an **Easter Celebration in 2021**. More details in our **Fall Newsletter!**

1951 to 2021
"The place to see in YV"

Do you have photos of Desert Christ Park? We are looking for historical photos from past visits.



SPECIAL POINT OF INTEREST:

- **Mission Statement:** "To provide a desert sculpture garden of Hope, Prayer and Beauty; by sharing the Peace of Christ through art."

* * SPRING IS BLOOMING * *

JOIN US FOR THESE EVENTS!

Palm Sunday Walking Tour, 2 pm, April 5th

Holy Thursday Experience the Last Supper, 5:30 pm, April 9th

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt, 8 am sharp, April 12th

National Day of Prayer, 10 am to 2 pm, Thursday, May 7th



Snow day at the Park!



The day after Christmas the Park was blanketed in beautiful snow.

Families came to make snowmen and snow angels on a very chilly day.



ADDITIONS AND RESTORATION



Two new benches! Installed and concreted in place thanks to Tom Kenny and Scott Gibson.

Peter, James and John waiting for primer and paint. Saturday, March 21st we are planning to complete these disciples during our annual clean up day.



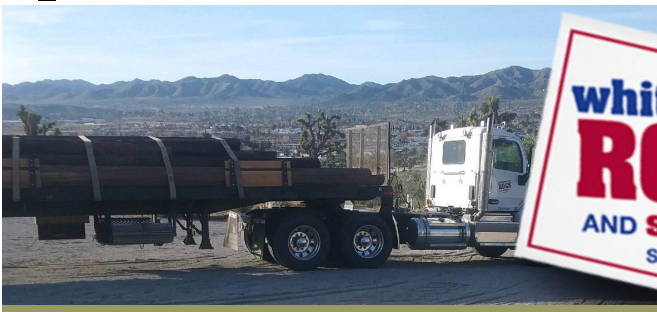
Our park birds now have a new to us birdbath. Our bird population has increased since we have installed water sources and birdhouses. Always a delight to see wildlife enjoying our park.

Your new or used yard items will make a wonderful addition at the park. Contact us for details.

Jesus, Mary and Martha are under restoration. New bench installed and soon it will be time to prime and paint.

Martha is again standing and secured. Thank you, Tom and Glenn Kenny. A lot of cement and hard work. Kate Kenny will now begin to re-sculpt her.





Thank you Whitewater Rock & Supply for more telephone poles.

Desert Christ Park was in documentary at the Palm Springs Intl Film Festival 2020. "Iconicity" directed by Leo Zahn. Roxanne Miller and Julie Thixton attended.



HISTORICAL NOTES:



Jane Garver was 'a gem' of a historian! She collected and SAVED so many pieces of Desert Christ Park history. Jane's family gifted these items to Desert Christ Park in December. We have so many photos and scrap books. Included is the original guest book signed by thousands of people from all over the world. Many pieces of this history have been unknown to us. The photos tell a story and give us a timeline during the early days of Desert Christ Park. We will share this history over the next several newsletters and during our 70th Anniversary in April 2021. We are excited to learn, scan and use all of these precious additions to our archives. A huge thank you goes out to the Garver Family and prayers of thanks to Jane and Eddie Garver for years of hard work and passion to bring Christ to Yucca Valley and all those who have been willing to keep up the work for so many years.

December 2019 visit with Nancy (Garver) Kennedy, Tammy (Garver) Zinnecker, Kacy (Zinnecker) Harding and her new baby, Lillie Grace. We had a great day visiting and hearing history.





Follow us and join in the conversation with Desert Christ Park.

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PARK EVENTS & MEETING SCHEDULE

Most days during a week you will find a Park volunteer or two working. Watering, sculpting, raking, weeding, feeding birds, sweeping, cleaning tables, updating information in kiosk, and much, much more! Say hi while you are visiting.

2020

March 21st – Annual Clean up day – 9 am

April 5th – Palm Sunday Holy Week Tour – 2 pm

April 9th – Experience the Last Supper – 5:30 pm

April 12th – Easter Egg Hunt – 8 am exactly

– (following Sunrise Service in Amphitheater)

May 7th – National Day of Prayer – 10 am to 2 pm

July 4th – Picnic and Fireworks Viewing – Dusk

Schedule is subject to change. We schedule many in Park workdays during the year. Call, email or follow us on Facebook for updates.

Everyone is welcome at all our gatherings and these events are free.



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- **Go Green** – send us an email to start receiving our Newsletters by email.
- Shop with Amazon Smile and designate Desert Christ Park as your charity of choice.
- Donate using PayPal or credit card at www.desertchristpark.org
- Visit the Park kiosk and drop a contribution into our donation box.
- Mail a check to PO Box 2102, Yucca Valley, CA 92286.
- Consider an “in lieu of flowers” request to Desert Christ Park, Inc.
- Become a Rock Solid Visionary!
- **JOIN US AS A VOLUNTEER!**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

*** * * PROJECTS NEEDING SUPPORT * * ***

PORT-A-POTTY MONTHLY SERVICE

The #1 question a visitor asks is . . .

“Do you have a restroom?”

Our answer is now “Yes we do!”

You can help us keep this monthly rental and service:

@ \$85.05 a month

just

mention the potty fund on your donation, no amount is too small.

Every donation helps.

Thank you!



This year we installed 4 - 10 foot fence panels
Our goal is to continue the fence panels towards the large Blessing Jesus to protect and secure the west side of the Park.



Donate to the fence extension fund.

Any amount welcomed!



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JOIN US AS A VOLUNTEER!



At our Desert Christ Park Foundation annual meeting in December 2019, the Board of Directors elected Horst Schor to fill the Vice President seat. Horst joins our team from Anaheim, CA. He has great ideas and ways to improve the Park. Here, in his own words, is his long time connection with Desert Christ Park.

“My connection with Desert Christ Park started back in 1960 when my mother and I, fresh immigrants from Germany wanted to experience the Desert and chose Joshua Tree National Monument for a camping trip. On the way going through Yucca Valley we noticed a sign along Hwy 62 directing us to DCP. Being adventuresome, we headed over there and found a wonderful, unique and inspiring place - beautiful landscaping, picnic tables even restrooms.”

ROCK SOLID VISIONARY STONES



Our pathways are lined with the generous donations from many who remember dear ones, celebrate occasions, put their name to support the Park and encourage us to keep restoring Antone Martin's works of art. Below you too can send your support.

BE A ROCK SOLID VISIONARY!

For a contribution of \$100 or more, your choice of honoree will be painted on a border stone and placed along park pathways for visitors to see as they stroll through the park.

Name of Contributor _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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ROCK SOLID VISIONARY

Each border stone has 3 lines of print (12 characters or less per line) and one border stone logo available. The Foundation reserves the right to edit wording and position of border stones.

Logo options:



Please check one:

cross heart sun tree star flag

Text: (Name only of honoree)

Line 1: _ _ _ _ _

Line 2: _ _ _ _ _

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