



PALM SPRINGS GAY MEN'S CHORUS

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## **Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus to Honor Civil Rights Leader George Zander by Re-naming Anti-Bullying Fund**

### **Chorus to Perform at Celebration of Life Event**

**Palm Springs, CA- March 1, 2016...** Over the last year, the Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus (PSGMC) has been giving ongoing \$500 grants to the Gay/Straight Alliances in the Palm Springs and Desert Sands Unified School Districts. These grants now total over \$5,000.

This last year, we lost one of our most fervent civil rights leaders in the fight for equality for all people, George Zander.

George Zander was a prominent activist in the Coachella Valley's LGBT community. George worked as the field organizer for Equality California from 2009-2015 and was appointed by the then EQCA Executive Director, Geoff Kors who is now a Palm Springs City Councilmember.

George had a drive, strength and passion for life. His fight for human rights was strong and relentless. Everyone who knew George would agree that he has paved a road for so many young activists who will follow in his footsteps.

As a tribute to his legacy, the PSGMC Board of Directors has re-named its grant program to the **George Zander Memorial Anti-Bullying Fund**. In commemoration of the man and his work there will be a celebration of life in his honor.



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**Monday, March 21 – 5:00-8:00p.m.**  
**George Zander Community Celebration of Life**  
405 South Palm Springs Pavilion Way, Palm Springs  
PSGMC will be singing selections from their repertoire

The mission of the PSGMC is to be a chorus of gay men who, through musical excellence, community outreach and civic responsibility, are dedicated to entertaining, inspiring, and educating the culturally diverse community in which we live.

For more information on a variety of ways to support or join the Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus, visit [www.PSGMC.com](http://www.PSGMC.com). Press inquiries should be directed to Jeff Hocker at 760-409-1530 or [jeffhocker@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffhocker@yahoo.com).