



Rotary  
Club of Victorville, CA



# The Joshua Tree



January 9, 2018

## The Evolution of Hospitals.

As far back as any of us can recall, when we have needed medical attention, there has been a hospital nearby, full of trained doctors, nurses and staff to handle any situation. But hearing from **Dr. Riad Abdelkarim**, the Chief Medical Officer at St Joseph Health/St. Mary, it took many centuries to reach what we expect from hospitals today.

The evolution of hospitals stretches as far back as 2,500 years, where in ancient cultures, both religion and medicine were closely linked. The earliest documentation of institutions providing cures were performed in ancient Egyptian temples. In Greece, temples were dedicated to the healer god of Asclepius that would function as a center for medical advice, prognosis and healing. In fact there are three

large marble boards dated around 350 BC that preserved the names, case histories, complaints and cures for about 70 patients who came to the temple to be cured.

Around 100 BC in the Roman

Empire, buildings were erected called Valetudinaria that took care of sick slaves, gladiators and soldiers. Although there are no records for these early hospitals, many have been identified through archeology due to their specific layout.

Between the 8th-15th centuries, the Islamic Medieval Age saw numerous advances in science as scholars gathered knowledge from across the known world and added their own findings. The biggest contribution from this time period was the establishment of hospitals, that were paid for by charitable donations, known as a Zakat Tax.

Over in Europe, medieval hospitals were run by religious communities where the sick were cared for by monks and nuns. In France these hospitals were called "Hotel-Dieu", which translates to "Hostel of God". Some of these hospitals were fully functional, and others were founded for specific purposes such as leprosy, refuges for the poor and more.

The first Spanish hospital was founded by Catholic Bishop Masona in 580 AD and served as an inn for pilgrim travelers as well as a hospital for citizens and local farmers.

The evolution of hospitals continued for more centuries through the Age of Enlightenment and more through to eventually the United States, where prior to the 1800's there were very few hospitals in the US. Since the 1900's, the role of hospitals in our country has become central with the US leading in advancements through Industry, education, and technology.



### This Week's Functionaries

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Invocation:</b>  | <b>Bill Edwards</b>    |
| <b>Flag Salute:</b> | <b>Dan Mejia</b>       |
| <b>4-Way Test:</b>  | <b>Arsalee Morales</b> |
| <b>Song:</b>        | <b>Al Castellucci</b>  |
| <b>Finemaster:</b>  | <b>Ryan McEachron</b>  |

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# Dwight's Writes



St Joseph Health/St. Mary has had a rich history here in the High Desert, but hearing from **Dr. Riad Abdelkarim** about the evolution of hospitals throughout history was both engaging and incredibly informative.

This week, First Lady **Trish Johnson** and myself were pleased to recognize **Jim Murray** and **Dr. Roger Wagner** for their birthdays and **Brad Letner** in honor of his 31st wedding anniversary to Teresa.



Speaking of Brad, he and I, along with our spouses will be attending the Rotary Foundation Gala on February 24th at the Queen Mary, and we are looking for at least two other couples to join us to make a full table. The Gala will honor "30 Years of Women in Rotary" and along with entertainment and dancing, will have a keynote address from Rotary International VP **Jennifer Jones**. Tickets are \$119 per person, so please see myself, Brad or **Margaret Cooker** for more information.

Finally, my thought of the week is "A strong positive mental attitude will create more miracles than any wonder drug." - *Unknown*



# ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

# A Look Back...



'Mixed drinks'

Robert Hove, left, parked purple concrete transit-mix truck at Green Tree Inn Tuesday and driver Charles Collarini (with hose) served lemonade to Rotarians, including Grady S. Appling. Hove,

holder of spoon exempting him from Rotary fines, said he tried to get a purple mix; it came out a dirty green." Truck's 100-gallon tank was used for gimmick.

# District Governor Visit

This week we received a visit from our District Governor **Raghada Khoury**, and she had a serious reminder for all Rotarians, due to an recent inappropriate incident between a 71 year old (now-ex) Rotarian and a Rotary exchange student.



Any Rotarian that will be overnight with students at Rotary events or camps, need to go through "Youth Protection Training" to make sure as adults (as demonstrated with **Steve Murray**) we understand the proper way to hug, the distance before you go into "close space" and more. The purpose of this training is two-fold; to protect children and to protect you from ever being wrongly accused.

## Lucky Blue Dice



Gary Adams returned this week and got a chance to get some big money, but took another white dice out!

We'll continue next week with 9 dice and \$325 for one lucky Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

## Raffle Prizes

**Donna Wells** was the big winner this week by taking home a book donated by **Ryan McEachron** entitled "212 Degrees", a pair of ear buds from **Kevin Kane**, and a box of Sees Candy from the Club.

**Dr. Roger Wagner** won big too this week as he will enjoy a bottle of sparkling red wine from **Ryan McEachron** and a iPhone/iPad stand from **Kevin Kane**.

In the battle of the calendars, Ryan won a 2018 calendar from **Dwight Johnson** and **Corey Beck** went home with, what we are told is the final Alaska USA 2017 calendar (along with a chip clip) from **David North**.

The final prize of the day was the Lawry's VIP Card from the Southwest Las Vegas Club that was won by **Gary Adams**.

## The Polio Pig

**Collected this week: \$20.00**

**Collected to Date: \$14,935.59**

**Total equals: 90,918 Doses!**

*One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!*

*\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!*

## Fine Session

This week **Ryan McEachron** was our Finemaster and celebrated the new year with a session of \$18 fines! Those who found themselves with a little less in their pockets began with **Jim Cox**, who reminded Ryan he was his "closest best friend" on his way up to the podium and then continued to our District Governor **Raghada Khoury** who was penalized for "gracing us with her presence".

Both **Al Castellucci** and **Gary Adams** were both hit with fines for missing last week's meeting as was both **Jon Schuler** and **Dan Mejia**, for still having their Red Badges.

**Dr. Roger Wagner** received a fine for having to go through the College Redistricting meeting this week, **Donna Wells** was given one for attending the meeting during tax season and the final fine was presented to **Mike Page** for having his guest speaker answer the question everyone wants to know..."When will we get a new hospital"?

### Proposed Member

*If you protest the admission of this member please respond in writing by 5 p.m. January 22 to President Dwight Johnson.*

**Samir Nayyar, MD**

**Orthopaedic Medicine**

**Sports Medicine & Orthopaedic Institute**

**Classification: Medicine: Orthopaedic**

**Sponsor: Dwight Johnson**

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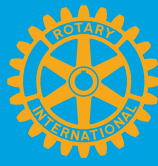
**Rahul Nayyar, MD**

**Radiologist**

**Choice Medical Group**

**Classification: Medicine: Radiology**

**Sponsor: Dwight Johnson**



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2016-2018 .....	Dwight Johnson
Immediate Past President .....	Ben Tafoya
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary/Foundation/Administration ...	Margaret Cooker
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane
Club Service & President 2018-2020 .....	Brad Letner
Community Service .....	Victor Rocha
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/Scholarships .....	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational Service .....	Ryan McEachron

### Members-at-Large:

Steve Orr • Mark Taylor • Dan Dever • Rob Kilpatrick • Jon Hove  
Rosanne Weathers • Steve Murray • Russ Stringham

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Billing Officer .....	Rosanne Weathers
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
Song Master .....	Al Castellucci
Programs .....	Mike Page
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Rosanne Weathers
Public Safety Awards.....	Jon Schuler
R.Y.L.A./TLC.....	Ryan McEachron
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Marie Langley
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest .....	Ron Boyd
Four Way Speech Contest .....	TBD
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Robin Cackler
Flowers and Gifts .....	Trish Johnson
Joshua Tree Editor .....	Chris Ackerman

**The Victorville Rotary Club meets every Tuesday for fellowship at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12:00 noon at the Green Tree Golf Course Clubhouse, 14144 Green Tree Blvd., Victorville**

### Make-up Days and Locations

<b>MONDAY:</b>	San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	Rancho Cucamonga Sunrise, 7:15 a.m. Empire Lakes Golf Course Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	High Desert/Hesperia Club meets 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St., Hesperia Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at Budweisers, Adelanto Rd, Adelanto at 8am. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Los Domingo's 1520 Main St, 13853 Seneca Rd, 2:00 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	Apple Valley, Apple Valley Country Club, noon Ontario, 12:15 p.m., Doubletree Hotel San Bernardino, Denny's at I-15, 7 a.m. Redlands, Masonic Temple, noon
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## Calendar Dates

- Jan 22: Past Presidents Meeting**  
5:30pm • El Pescador Restaurant
- Feb 4: Super Bowl Party**  
2:00pm • Home of Brad and Teresa Letner  
18501 Niagara, Spring Valley Lake  
More info coming soon
- Feb 12: Board of Directors Meeting**  
5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting  
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor  
Hesperia and Silica Roads
- Feb 13: Rotary Valentines Dinner**  
5:30pm • El Pescador Restaurant

## Future Rotary Programs

- Jan 16:** Craig Garrick, President, CEO ComAV LLC  
**TOPIC- "Employing Hundreds to Manage Billions of Dollars in Aviation Assets"** (Page) S.T.A.R. Students
- Jan 23:** Todd McLaughlin, Director of Branch Banking, Flag Star Bank **TOPIC- "Flagstar's acquisition of DCB - What this means to the High Desert"** (M Johnson)
- Jan 30:** Public Service Awards (Schuler)

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