



Rotary 

 BE THE INSPIRATION

The Joshua Tree



February 12, 2019

S.T.A.R. STUDENTS AWARDED

This week we honored STAR Students from 6 schools in Victorville. Leading the proceedings was Jim Barnes with various representatives handing out certificates including

Don Holland from Supervisor Lovingood's office, **Chris Nunez** from Jay Obernolte's office, **Rebecca Tennyson**, representing Scott Wilk, **Kimberly Mesen** from Congressman Cook's office and our own **Jim Cox**, representing Mayor **Gloria Garcia** from the City of Victorville.



Over at Galileo Academy of Gifted and Talented Education, we honored **Charles Lucas** for making huge strides in both language arts and math. In the first grade he could not read, write or identify numbers, but has steadily improved over

the years. **Aaliyah Williams** takes time away from social functions so she can get help with assignments and has a very positive attitude towards school

At Green Tree East Leadership Academy, **Isaias Martinez** is an English learner who has shown dramatic improvement in the last couple years. He is a leader on campus and volunteers as a "buddy

reader". **Andre McMillian** has shown great improvement academically with improved reading scores and better math skills.

Down the road at Irwin Academy of the Performing Arts, **Millie Cannon** has a great attitude and is self-reliant, pushing herself when she comes across something she doesn't understand. **Aaliyah Collins** has taken challenges in school and turned them around into positive learning experiences. She works hard in all areas.

Over at Liberty School of Creativity and Innovation, **Romeo Lugo** has made considerable progress in all areas especially reading, where his fluency reading rate tripled last year! For fun, he enjoys using speech to text to write imaginative fiction.

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This Week's Functionaries

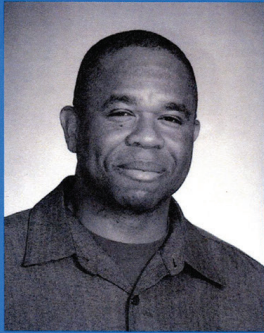
Invocation: Bill Edwards
Flag Salute: Isaias Martinez
4-Way Test: John Kroencke
Finemaster: David North

ROTARY CLUB OF BARSTOW



LET'S ROAST PAUL COURTNEY!

Roast & Toast him in support of Rotary charities!



Fun Night of Comedy!



SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019

6PM TO 9PM

BCC PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Ticket: \$100 (includes dinner for 2)

Individual ticket: \$60

Tickets available at the Barstow Chamber

For more information call 760.577. 0683

No-host Bar ~ Intended for Mature Audience

SPOON OF EXEMPTION



Jim Cox had the Spoon in hand this week and used his time to talk about the #DumpItRightVV Campaign for a cleaner Victorville. Jim and the City are encouraging all residents to take their part in making Victorville a place we can be all proud of! In the program, the City is offering free trash drop off services

where you can take unwanted items such as old tires, mattresses, furniture, batteries, prescription medicines and more! If you have heavier items you can schedule a "Bulky" pickup curbside at your home twice a year and on top of all that, there are FREE Dump Days, Shred Fests and Clean up Days for the community.

Jim is looking for 40 Rotarians to volunteer for the next City Clean Up Day, so please contact Jim to be involved, you can call the City at 760-955-8615 or visit online at VictorvilleCA.gov.DumpItRightVV

Proposed Member

If you protest the admission of this member please respond in writing by 5 p.m. February 22nd to President Brad Letner.

Geoff Hinds

Position: CEO

Organization: San Bernardino County Fair

Classification: Administration: CEO

Sponsors: Dwight Johnson and Steve Orr

Former member of Tulare, CA Rotary

THE POLIO PIG

Collected this week: \$21.00

Polio Pig: \$16.00 + Dice (Bill Edwards): \$5.00 = \$21.00

Collected to Date: \$16,120.73

Total equals: 93,290 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

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LUCKY BLUE DICE



Bill Edwards got the call to get some big money this week, but his chances for the Blue Dice went unanswered.

We will continue next week with 13 Dice and \$225 for a Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

FINE SESSION



David North was our Fine Master this week chose this week to play a game of Valentine's trivia, where every wrong answer was fined. **Mike Page** did not know what ancient Roman Festival was the basis in

what became Valentine's Day, **Steve Orr** did not know how many Valentine's cards are sent each year, **Bill Edwards** was unaware of which emperor put St. Valentine to death, and **Greg Benson** did not answer the question about what percentage of Valentine's cards are from women, so all received a \$10 fine!

The only Rotarian who walked away fine free was **Donna Wells** who knew that Cupid's mother was Venus, the Goddess of Love!

RAFFLE

In this week's Raffle, copies of the book, "Multiply" brought by **Chandale Sutton** at Life Church will be read by **Melanie Lovingood** and **Bill Edwards**. Chandale himself took home a copy of "The Transparent Leader III", brought by **Dwight Johnson**, so lots of reading will be done!

ROTARY GUESTS

This week we welcomed once again **Sarah Rojas** from Kindred Hospice, who enjoyed the meeting with **Lauretta Tkaczyk**. Finally we welcomed **Ed Will**, from the Barstow Rotary Club.

Our stand-ins this week were **Chandale Sutton** for **Pastor Paul Earle**, **Melanie Lovingood** for **Robert Lovingood**, **Kris Reilly** for **Dr. Ron Williams**, and **Sarah Rojas** for **Lauretta Tkaczyk**.

S.T.A.R. STUDENTS...

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At Lomitas Elementary, **Ailenn Serrano's** dedication to her schoolwork has been a model for her peers. She always puts forth her best effort. **Lucrecia Veliz Zelya** or "Lulu" came from Guatemala and has made great strides in overcoming the language barrier and practices with her friends and never gives up and her writing level almost looks like English is her native tongue.



Finally, life at Mojave Vista School of Cultural Arts is great thanks in part to great students like **Elina Chehade** whose reading and writing has improved tremendously this year and loves to produce quality work. **Jacob Moses** has spent this year focusing on school and has become a wonderful student with a hardworking attitude, plus a commitment to learning.



Congratulations to all these great students and the teachers who work so hard to get the best out of their students.

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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

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| MONDAY: | San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon |
| TUESDAY: | Rancho Cucamonga Sunrise, 7:15 a.m. Empire Lakes Golf Course Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens |
| WEDNESDAY: | High Desert/Hesperia Club meets 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St., Hesperia Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Adelanto 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 Domingos, 1520 E Main St, 12:00 p.m. |
| THURSDAY: | 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 |
| FRIDAY: | San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. |

CALENDAR DATES

Feb 23: **Rotary Peace Conference**
8:00am • La Verne College
Registration now open

Mar 11: **Board of Directors Meeting**
5:00pm Meeting
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor
Hesperia and Silica Roads

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

Feb 19: **San Bernardino County Supervisor
Robert Lovingood** (McEachron)

Feb 26: **George Hensel Ethics Contest** (Boyd)
James Quigg, Chief Photographer, W Daily
Press **TOPIC: "Tragedy through a
Teapot - a look at the Blue Cut
Fire"** (Page)

Mar 5: **Dan Stover Music Contest**

Mar 12: **District Governor John Chase**

Mar 19: **4-way Speech Contest**

Mar 26: Kirt Mahlum, Retired San Bernardino County
Court Commissioner **TOPIC: "Part 2
What was I thinking, perspectives
from almost 20 years on the Bench"**
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