

The Award Winning Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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S.B. County Superintendent of Schools Visits Rotary



San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Ted Alejandre, visited Rotary this week as guest speaker and witnessed ten sixth grade students receive S.T.A.R. Awards. "Striving To Achieve Results" is our Club's program which recognizes students who have made a significant improvement in their academics, attitude and/or attendance. Schools represented were Challenger School of Sports & Fitness, Puesta del Sol, and Del Rey AVID Elementary. We thank Maureen Mills of Victor Elementary School for making the presentations

Superintendent Alejandre oversees 33 school districts in the County and explained how the funding for county schools has changed over the years, particularly as some districts have more challenges and less affluence. Governor Brown introduced the "LCAP", a three-year Local Control Accountability Plan, which came into effect in July of 2014. Local control is part of the blueprint schools are incorporating to ensure improved student success, and is focused on the following eight priority areas:



Superintendent Ted Alejandre

- ★ Student Achievement
- ★ Other Student Outcomes
- ★ Course Access
- ★ Common Core Standards
- ★ Core Services
- ★ Student Engagement
- ★ Parent Involvement
- ★ School Climate

Superintendent Alejandre also discussed the "Common Core State Standards", the purpose being to equip students with knowledge and skills to succeed in college/career. Today's student success requires:

- ★ Critical thinking
- ★ Creativity
- ★ Collaboration
- ★ Strong Communication
- ★ Technology Skills

For more information about how our County is providing education to children, visit: www.sbcss.k12.ca.us.

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



This week we welcomed Corina Paramo, Assistant to the S.B. County Superintendent of Schools, our guest speaker; Art Kauffman, Foster City Rotarian; Young

Choe of World Financial Group (Munsey); Denise Macalaso Dry Cleaning (Perry Rotary Club); and Anneli Fogt of the Daily Press. School staff in attendance were: Stephen Wierzhinicki, Breane Lester, Doug Berquist, Adrian Flores; and Deb Clarkson. Wes Covegy and Fred Buchanan attended from the VVUHSD. Welcome all!



Caroll Yule

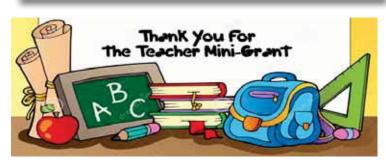




Caroll entertained us with a rap this week, her last before giving up the Spoon. It was fun, thanks, Caroll!!



The Spoon of Exempion for the month of March, which has five Tuesdays, was hotly contested between Brad Letner and Mary Hennessy. Brad prevailed with a huge bid of \$200!! Congratulations, Brad!



Our Club received yet another very nice thank you note from a Teacher Mini-Grant recipient: "Our students thoroughly enjoyed the cultural fair/performance. Thank you for providing the grant money necessary to offer this event. Blessings, Deb Clarkson, Victor Valley Christian School."

Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation: David NorthFlag Salute: Kevin Kane4-Way Test: Jim Barnes

Song: Al Castellucci

Money Well Spent...



Through Club donations and the generosity of Don Lager of Midway Appliance, we were able to provide monies to purchase a refrigerator/freezer combination unit to give to the Victor Valley Rescue Mission to store their meat and perishables. Over 400-lbs. were taken over to the location following this week's meeting. Big applause to all involved, and those who helped convoy the food over.

Rotary Club of Victorville



1 Pantry Item = 1 Raffle Ticket

BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!



Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an ongoing annual Food Drive for our Club, and the entire pantry is delivered to a recipient quarterly.



Steve Sez...

President Steve's meeting was a doozie this week... lots of good stuff going on! He had high praise for **Don Lager** for all of the good he does for the Community. **Brad Letner** also thanked **Don** for his part in the donation of the Refrigerator/Freezer Combo for the Victor Valley Rescue Mission. Several Rotarians volunteered to assist **Brad** in taking the much-needed food to the Mission following the meeting. (See photo on page two). **Ben Tafoya** spent the past weekend at PETS (President Elect Training Seminar), and shared that he was able to meet with other incoming Rotary Presidents to determine how they will be successful. **Ben** said the focus this year will be to bring in not only new, but younger Rotarians into our Club.

Ben then introduced his guest, Art Kauffman from the Foster City Rotary Club. Art explained that his club is very interested in the water project we have in Mexico, and would like to team up with us. He was impressed with our Club and excited to work more in the future. Art presented a letter of commitment to **Ben** and **Steve** for \$2,500 to be used toward this project, and each tank will cost a total of \$5,000. We are hoping to raise enough money to provide four tanks.



WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$28.89 Collected to Date: \$12,058.97 Total equals: 86,849 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine! \$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



Terry Caldwell stepped up at short notice to bestow some fines on his fellow Rotarians. **Ron Williams** was hit for

\$20 for the education article in the Daily Press; **Mike Page** was



hit for \$20 for lack of prep time for **Terry's** fine session; and even **Kevin Porter**, **Terry's** law partner, received a \$10 fine, which **Terry** will pay half of! **Don Lager's** great

discounts received a discounted fine of \$5, "because he's such a good guy, and John Kroencke's event earned him some recognition and admiration, but no fine. Caroll Yule shamed raffle winners who won booze today to donate it to the VVC Foundation event, and she got a total of three bottles (from Ben Tafoya and Rosanne Weathers and a guest). Raffle prizes: Hough's Business Card Holders were won by Steve Orr and Rosanne Weathers; Gary Adams took home ONLY a Bob's Tire Cap; Kevin Kane's Investco Armbands were won by Mary Hennessy and Don Lager; Stew Anderson won a nice Lunch Box from Desert Valley Hospital, and Teressa Coomes paid a \$5 fine for her mistaken raffle ticket.

March Events...

The District 5300 Peace Conference

Saturday, March 14 - 8am - 1pm John Wayne Performing Arts Center Glendale High School, 1440 E. Broadway Ave. Info: PDG Dr. Garbis Der-Yeghian, mashdots@aol.com or visit the District 5300 web site / CLUB PAYS

"One Drop" - Circue du Soleile Event Friday, March 21

Mirage Hotel - Beatles "Love Theatre" http://onenigh.onedrop.org

LUCKY BLUE DICE



Rosanne Weathers left \$\$ for a lucky Rotarian next week, taking only \$5.

Next week:

\$275 / 11 Dice



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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

MONDAY: San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon

Rotaract, 2nd Mon., VVC Student Activities.

TUESDAY: Rancho Cucamonga Sunrise, 7:15 a.m.

Empire Lakes Golf Course

Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens

Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St. University Prep Interact Club, 1:45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Adelanto Club meets 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wed. at R&S

Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto, 7 a.m.;

2nd Wed. at Chamber Rm., Maverick Stadium at

11:30 a.m.; 5th Wed. dark.

San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow,

Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 2:00 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

Victor Valley Sunrise, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.

FRIDAY: San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



Important Dates Mark your Calendar!

March 10: Community Service Committee Meeting - Follows Rotary Club

March 14: District Peace Conference - See page three for information. Club pays your registration.

"One Drop" - Circue du Soleil Mar. 20:

event - Mirage Hotel (Beatle's

"Love" Theater)

http:/onenight.onedrop.org

April 2: High Desert Huddle - V.V.C.

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

April 17-19: RYLA Weekend

IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR JOSHUA TREE LINK VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO GET ADDED TO THE EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST.

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

Mar. 3: Amateur Historian, Fire Chief, Apple Valley Fire Protection District, Sid Hulquist. Topic: Victor Valley History" (Page) / Brentwood Career Students

Mar. 10: Dan Stover Music Contest, Club Level

Mar. 17: City of Victorville, Director of Public

Works / Water, Sean McGlade. Topic: "The Troubles in Northern Ireland"

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