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Club of Victorville, CA



# THE JOSHUA TREE

FEBRUARY 28, 2017

## 4-Way Speech Competition

This week we had our annual 4-Way Speech Contest for Club Level that featured two students from University Prep, **JM Malana** and **Anna Leal**. **Teressa Coomes** emceed the event and both speeches were judged by **Brad Poiriez**, **Bill Edwards** and **Marie Langley**. **Steve Orr** served as timekeeper for the event.

JM concluded his speech by stating that the 4-Way Test is molded to fit into any situation in life. It can help in developing ideas, and can embody every organization, Rotarian and individual person.

Next to the microphone was **Anna Leal**. Anna created a checklist for life using the 4-Way Test. Truth shows your loyalty and responsibility to not only yourself but to others. Fairness is a sign of equality among people and allows the same opportunities to everyone. Goodwill and friendships create a strong support staff between peers. Life is hard sometimes, and at one time or another we will all need the support of family and friends. Finally, if something is



**JM Malana** shared examples on how the 4-Way test works within business decisions. The 4-Way Test questions any business idea or decision. It forces an individual to look deeper into a problem and understand its implications. Using the 4-Way Test in business requires more than just superficial thought, but provides a path to better ethical decision making.



beneficial to all, that creates a stronger community as a whole.

After both speakers completed, the judges went into a separate room to deliberate their selections. When they returned they awarded Anna as the runner-up, complete with \$100 and JM as the winner of the Club Level competition and \$200. Next, he will compete against the other Clubs in our area. Stay tuned to The Joshua Tree for updates as we receive them.

### This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	Van Young
Flag Salute:	Jon Schuler
4-Way Test:	Chris Ackerman
Song:	Al Castellucci

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## *Dwight's Writes*

The competition season has begun and this week we had two great speakers for our Club Level 4-Way Speech Contest. Congratulations to **JM Malana** for his victory and we look forward to see how he does as he moves forward in the competition. I also want to thank **Teresa Coomes** for her hard work putting the event together and to our judges **Brad Poiriez, Bill Edwards, and Marie Langley**, as well as our timekeeper, **Steve Orr**.

This week we honored **Mark Taylor** as our January Rotarian of the Month! Mark was selected for emceeding the Public Service Awards luncheon, serving on our Board of Directors, in addition to being one of our Fine Masters. Thank you Mark for all you do for our Club.



If you have ever wanted to tour the Marche Region of Italy, now you have your chance. A tour with Rotary Italy takes place from May 22 - 27, 2017, and is open to the first 50 participants. Explore all that Italy has to offer; art, food, architecture and much more! Please see **Margaret Cooker** for more information.

Donations are still needed for our Easter Food Baskets. Please contact **Stew Anderson, Brad Letner** or **Van Young** to get involved and help needy families in our area. Along with that, we are still collecting for our canned food drive. Bring your boxes and Mac n Cheese and Spam to the luncheon or drop them off to **Don Lager** at Midway.

As we wind down this week's column, I would like to address the low attendance recently at our meetings. The Club can only survive with the participation of our membership. If there is a specific reason why you have not attended lately, please talk with me or one of the other Board Members to see how we can help.

Along with that, my thought of the week is "Rotary starts with you." - *Paul Harris*

## *Spoon of Exemption*

**Van Young** had his final week with the spoon and chose this opportunity to thank everyone on a community level. This community has its issues, but Van truly believes this is a wonderful place and wanted to thank all Rotarians and their businesses for making an impact.



Van also wanted to recognize of Salvation Army's Social Worker **Maxine**. She has to deal with name calling, threats and more, and does a thankless job with professionalism and integrity. If you ever get a chance to meet her, give her a pat on the back and let her know what a wonderful job she is going!

Finally, it was time for the Spoon to go into the hands of another Rotarian. The bidding started at \$50 to **Steve Orr**, but soon **Teresa Coomes** upped the bid to \$60. Steve came back with a \$70 bid and that is where it ended. We look forward to hear what **Steve Orr** has to say in the month of March.

## *The Polio Pig*

**Collected this week: \$16.00**

*Polio Pig: 11.00+ Dice (Melanie Lovingood): \$5.00 = \$16.00*

**Collected to Date: \$14,002.45**

**Total equals: 89,051 Doses!**

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

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## Raffle Prizes

Only one raffle prize was donated this week in the form of an Alaska USA shopping bag, that was given by **David North**. And as you might have guessed, the winner was none other than **Gary Adams**!

## Fine Session

**Mark Taylor** was back as our Fine Master and began by fining **Don Lager** \$17 for his 17th anniversary as a Rotarian. **Al Castellucci** was not in perfect voice this week, but went ahead as our Song Master. He was levied a \$10 penalty for not handing the microphone to **Marie Langley**! **Steve Orr** was not wearing his Rotary pin and was penalized \$10, and finally both **Bob Basen** and **Lorie Burns** were both fined just for the fun of it!

## Paul Harris Pin



The Rotary Club of Victorville was honored at our luncheon this week to present **Kevin Kane** from the Victor Valley Transit Authority a new Paul Harris Pin.

A combined donation to the Rotary Foundation of \$1,000 earns a member a Paul Harris Pin and each additional \$1,000 receives a blue stone. This week **Dwight Johnson** and **Margaret Cooker** presented Kevin with his pin with 3 stones!

Thank you **Kevin Kane** for your generosity.

## Rotary Guests

In a very light week, we welcomed DCB's **Louise Bevilacqua** once again as a guest of **Dwight Johnson**, as was Victorville City Council member **Blanca Gomez**.

**Hugo Sanchez** from Parade of Pianos was with us this week, and played some beautiful music while Rotarians and guests entered the luncheon.

Our stand-in this week was **Melanie Lovingood** for **Robert Lovingood**.

## Lucky Blue Dice



**Melanie Lovingood** got the chance to pull the Blue Dice, but came up white and donated her \$5 win to the Polio Pig!

Next week, we continue with 9 dice and \$325 for another lucky Rotarian to win the big money!!

## Member Change of Address

Todd Turoci's Office is now located at  
**15437 Anacapa Rd, Victorville, CA 92392**  
**888-332-8362**

## BILLING OFFICER VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Rotarians, we are still in need of a volunteer to help us in the billing chain for proper checks and balances. It does not require a lot of your time, only 1 - 2 hours per month, but provides a valuable task. Please see **Margaret Cooker** for more info.



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2016-2018 .....	Dwight Johnson
Immediate Past President/International.....	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
Youth Service/Scholarships .....	Van Young
Vocational Service .....	Alicia Anderson

### Members-at-Large:

Steve Orr • Mark Taylor • Dan Dever • Rob Kilpatrick • Marie Langley • Dan Munsey

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Billing Officer .....	TBD
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
Song Master .....	Al Castellucci
Programs .....	Mike Page
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Brad Letner
R.Y.L.A./TLC/Public Safety Awards .....	Teressa Coomes
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

**Mar. 8: Board of Directors Meeting**  
DCB Board Room at Hesperia & Silica Road  
Fellowship: 5:00pm • Meeting: 5:30pm  
Red Badge Requirement • Counts as Make-up

**April 22: District Assembly**  
8:30am - Check In  
Sitting Bull Academy  
19445 Sitting Bull Road, Apple Valley

**May 6: Super Build**  
1-day Home Building in Tecate, Mexico  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**May 19: District Conference  
thru 21**  
Hilton Hotel, Palm Springs  
Register at [www.DaCDB.com](http://www.DaCDB.com)

## Future Rotary Programs

**March 7:** Pat Orr, Owner Little Caesars (Local)  
Franchises **TOPIC: "Making some  
Dough in Franchising"** (Page)

**March 14: Dan Stover Music Contest Club Level  
(Yule) - S.T.A.R. Students from  
Brentwood, Puesta del Sol and 6th Street  
Prep.**

**March 21: Heather Forsythe, San Bernardino County  
Sheriff Detective **TOPIC: "Terrorism  
Early Warning Group"** (Schuler)**

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