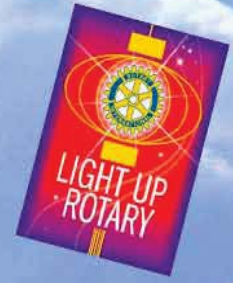




The Joshua Tree



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Annual Rotary Dan Stover Music Competition

Three area high schools were represented in this year's Music Contest. Each student played a piano piece, and you could hear a pin drop, the talent was so mesmerizing. Hugo Sanchez of Silverado placed first in the competition, which was the closest yet in Rotary's recent Dan Stover history, and received a gift card for \$150.00. Kenneth Kow of Apple Valley Christian School placed 2nd, receiving a \$100 gift card, and Jeanny Xu of University Preparatory School took home a \$50 gift card for her 3rd place win. Pieces played were Mozart, Beethoven, and Chopin. Hugo will continue on to the regional level, then each regional winner will play, and the District winner chosen at the District Conference. We wish Hugo the best of luck; he is an amazing and talented pianist. Thank you to our Judges, Rob Kurth, Ray Marien, and Brian Hurst, and Timers Marilyn Buttelwerth and Kevin Kane. Thanks to Margaret Cooker for piano tuning and Caroll Yule for organizing this wonderful program (although she is looking for a volunteer to head the annual contest).



Kenneth Kow, Apple Valley Christian



Hugo Sanchez, Silverado High School



Jeanny Xu, Univesity Prep

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Paul Stark of Parade of Pianos; Samantha Lillard of University Prep; Vicki Archer of Silverado; Brian Hurst of Shear Realty (Yule); Eric Camareno of the H.D. Hispanic Chamber; (Orr); Rob Kurth of the Kursch Group; Ray Marien of the Daily Press; Richard Lazarus, Long View Texas Rotarian; Walnut Valley Rotarian Lu deSylva; Linda (Jon) Hove; and Violet Roberts for Eldon Heaston.

Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation:	Marie Langley
Flag Salute:	Dr. Hough
4-Way Test:	Jon Hove
Song:	Al Castellucci

PLEASE JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY FOR FELLOWSHIP AT 11:30 A.M. BEFORE OUR MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER AT NOON.

THREE TRUTHS & A LIE...

Steve gave four hints about one of our Rotarians...

- ★ I have a phobia of gum
- ★ When I was young I wanted to be the President of the United States
- ★ I fell asleep while watching "The Lion King" on Broadway
- ★ I have traveled in more than ten different countries

No one guessed it... Marie Langley!

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2015 District Conference

Celebrating a year of lighting up Rotary

District Conference Friday, May 15 - Sunday, May 17

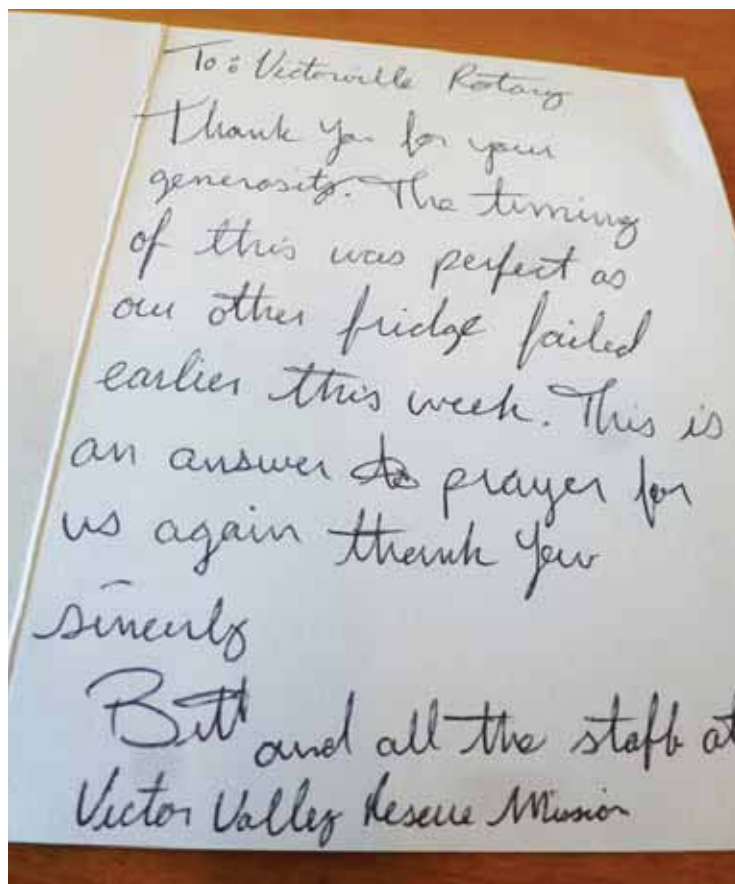
The District 5300 2015 Annual Conference not only provides workshops and discussions on hot topics relevant to Rotary, but it also brings together individuals whose knowledge and experience can be tapped for the benefit of your club. Take advantage of the education and networking opportunities, enjoy the camaraderie of the hospitality suites, take a peek in Friendship Hall at what other clubs are doing. No matter what captures your attention, you're sure to find it at the 2015 Conference! Check the District web site for continuing updates. Contact Margaret Cooker to make reservations and pay ahead of time.

★ What the Club will reimburse you for AFTER the event:

- Members-at-Large & Partner: Lodging and meals for Saturday
- General Membership & Partner: One night and Saturday lunch (Dan Stover).

The Club pays for the registration fee for all Rotarians who attend the District Conference.

All bills must be submitted on check request for (Club) with receipts within 60 days after the Conference and approved by the Treasurer in order to be reimbursed.



The Refrigerator/Freezer combo donated to the Victor Valley Rescue Mission is very much appreciated, and thanks again to all Rotarians involved in this project!

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$25.00

Plus Hough's \$5.00 Dice Win: \$30.00

Collected to Date: \$12,123.53

Total equals: 86,978 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

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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...

Brad Letner has some great ideas and would like to hear other Rotarian ideas at his first 2015 Community Service meeting following today's meeting. **Dwight Johnson** reminds Past Presidents of the April 16th Dinner at Mama Carpino's. **Dwight** and **David North** will be receiving essays contributed toward the Scholarship program, and will be looking for volunteers to read some of these essays. Please contact **Dwight** or **David** if you are able to help.

Margaret Cooker brought in Club financial reports if anyone would like to take a look see. Also, the Foundation Dinner is in Las Vegas March 28th (see back page). Register for the dinner on the District web site, and make hotel reservations separately. **Margaret** also wants to reiterate that the registration to District Training Assembly, on April 11, 2015 at Oak Hills High School, 7625 Catana Road in Oak Hills is **FREE**. This will be a day filled with training, free BBQ lunch, BODTS, and Foundation training. Registration starts at 8am and everything is done by 3:30pm. This is a multi No-Cost training day with free lunch.

Steve reminds members of the High Desert Huddle at VVC on April 2nd, and also the March 14th District Peace Conference, which is a great event:

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

Congressman Paul Cook will be our special guest April 7th, and is a great meeting to invite guests. Let **Mike Page** know if you would like to pay a fee to sit at the table with Congressman Cook.

Steve introduced Luciano deSylva, the 2016-17 District Governor for **Dwight Johnson's** year. Next week, St. Patrick's Day, we will have Sean McGlade visiting to discuss the troubles in Northern Ireland.

LUCKY BLUE DICE



Hough took only \$5 from the Pot this week, and donated it to Polio.

Next week:

\$325 / 9 Dice



FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



Jim Barnes hit up some Rotarians for their birthdays and anniversaries. **Dwight Johnson's** birthday netted him a measly \$5 fine, while **Steve Murray's** fine was a whopping

\$50 (included his Club anniversary, maybe?) **Jon Hove's** 4-Way Test introduction was a bit different, earning him a fine of \$20; **Jim** fined himself \$25 for missing the BOD meeting; **Sam Lucia's** 2-yr. anniversary was worth a \$20 fine (in absentia), but **Russ Stringham's** 23 years didn't get him off that cheap!



Nice raffle prizes, folks... thanks, donors! **McKay's Mortuary's** Snack Pack was won by **Carroll Yule**; **Bob's Tire Service's** Cap went to Paul Stark; **Steve Murray's** Wild Hare Wine went home with **Hough** and **Dwight**; **Hough's** "Billion Bootstrap" book was won by **Stew Anderson**; **Gentiva Hospice** Bags of Goodies went home with **Gary Adams** Paul Stark, who gave it to Pianist Jeanny. **Gary Adams** won **Desert Valley Hospital's** Care Kit; **Hough's** book, "The Humorist" was won by an unknown recipient; **Choice Medical Group's** Coffee Kits were won by **Gary Adams** (geez) and **Jon Hove**. **Dwight's** **El Dorado** Golf Balls were won by **Carroll Yule** and **Steve Murray** took home the **Midway Home Solutions' Gift Card**. **Hough's** Chef's Basket was won by **Dwight Johnson** and her Beauty Basket went to **Mary Hennessy**.



Brad Letner

Brad Letner thanked Desert Valley Hospital for their sponsorship, and encourages Rotarians to attend the "Ignite" event on April 2nd. There will be 12 fascinating presenters, and Brad promises a grand evening with fun for all!



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Scholarships	Ginger Ontiveros
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Newsletter	Mary Teran

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 14:** District Peace Conference - See District web site for information
- Mar. 20:** "One Drop" - Circue du Soleil event - Polio eradication fund raiser, Mirage Hotel (Beatle's "Love" Theater)
<http://onenight.onedrop.org>
- March 28:** Rotary Foundation Dinner - Treasure Island Hotel, Las Vegas. See District web site for information
- April 2:** High Desert Huddle - V.V.C.
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- April 11:** District Assembly (See page 3)
- April 16:** Past President's Dinner - Mama Carpino's

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. 17:** City of Victorville, Director of Public Works / Water, Sean McGlade. Topic: "The Troubles in Northern Ireland" (Page) / S.T.A.R. Students
- Mar. 24:** Mojave Water Agency - Working Title: "California Drought, Can the Victor Valley withstand a prolonged drought?" (Page)

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