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THE **JOSHUA TREE**

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The Body Worn Camera Project

It seems more and more on the news lately we see stories of law enforcement being accused of illegal acts against civilians which have resulted in suspensions, lawsuits and in worst cases rioting. Law enforcement is now fighting back with body worn cameras to protect them from false accusations and more.

San Bernardino Sheriff Deputy **Neil Slawson** is the Team Leader for the Body Worn Camera Pilot Project in our County. Body cameras are already being used in Colorado Springs and are being tested in Long Beach. The County's program consist of 80 cameras that will be used by patrol officers at the Highland and Apple Valley Stations.



Cameras will record traffic stops, interaction with civilians, and all calls they go on.

The technology used is from the company Body Worn out of Georgia and is one of the leaders in the industry. The officers wear the cameras inside their uniforms and once it snaps into place, they manually



turn them on and off by tapping on their chest. Officers will also have a bluetooth enabled wristband that they can touch to activate the camera. A router, called "The Rocket" will transfer the video recording in the trunk and when the patrol car returns to the station, the data is uploaded into the Cloud, where the footage can be reviewed instantly.

The software can also be used to successfully protect the innocent, and uninvolved parties by easily blurring out faces, tattoos, with just a click of a mouse.

If the Pilot Program is a success and these cameras are adopted, there is already technology in place to make the process better such as automatic activation of the camera when the driver's door is opened, the Code 3 Light-Bar is turned on, the shotgun rack is opened, or when the officer is running or down.

Future use of the body worn cameras can be used to eliminate outdated software, shoot evidential crime scenes, audio recordings, interviews with suspects and witnesses and officer safety notifications.

These body worn cameras serve two main purposes. One, they will protect an officer against false complaints and accusations and secondly will allow other superior officers to see what actually happens on their calls.

Hopefully, these body worn cameras will be used by all agencies in the High Desert, by not only protecting officers, but the innocent as well.

This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	Van Young
Flag Salute:	Jon Schuler
4-Way Test:	Louise Bevilacqua
Song:	Al Castellucci

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Dwight's Writes

This week we got to hear about the hot topic of using body cameras for our law performance professionals. Deputy **Neil Slawson** gave a great presentation and I would like to thank Captain **Jon Schuler**

for bringing programs to the Club over the last two weeks.

Congratulations to **Naomi Ramirez**, our selection in the Dan Stover Music Contest for winning the Regional Competition! Naomi will compete in May with other regional winners at the District 5300 Conference, to be held in Palm Springs. Although he did not win, I also want to congratulate **JM Malana** for placing in the regional 4-Way Speech Competition.



Please make plans to join us next month for District Assembly, which will be held at Sitting Bull Academy on Saturday, April 22. It is a fantastic day of training, and also a perfect time to get to know Rotarians from other Clubs in our District.

May will be another exciting month as we head to Mexico for the 2017 Super Build! This is one of the most rewarding experiences you will have as a Rotarian. Later in the month we head to Palm Springs for the District 5300 Conference. Along with supporting Naomi, we will be attempting to take the award for Best Club two years in a row! Make plans to join us for this exciting weekend!

Please keep Pastor **Paul Earle** in your thoughts this month as he is presently in Machilipatnam, India doing missionary work. We pray for his ministry and safe return to us soon.

We are still raising funds for our Easter Food Baskets and Scholarships, as well as collecting canned goods. Please make an effort to give to these great causes of our Club, that help make the High Desert a better place for those less fortunate and for those wanting a higher education.

Finally, my thought of the week is "*The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary*" - Socrates

Lucky Blue Dice



Robin Cackler returned from a few months away, and got the chance for the Blue Dice, but picked white, so the money will stay safe for another week.

Next week, we continue with 5 dice and \$425 for another lucky Rotarian to win the big money!!

Raffle Prizes

The **Ron Boyd** family will be enjoying the weekend at the High Desert Home Show, courtesy of **Dwight Johnson**, as Ron and one of his daughters won 2 pairs of tickets to the event, perfect for their family of four! Dwight also donated tickets for the upcoming Pet Expo and Hip Hop 96.3 shirt that went to **Bill Edwards**.

Margaret Cooker gave away a food storage system that will be used by **Terry Caldwell** and the last prize of the day, a shopping bag from **David North** at Alaska USA, was won by **Robin Cackler**.

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$13.00

Polio Pig: \$8.00 + Dice (Robin Cackler): \$5.00 = \$13.00

Collected to Date: \$14,072.45

Total equals: 89,191 Doses!

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



Spoon of Exemption

Steve Orr had his final week with the Spoon and used his time to let the Club know about the different fitness programs that are offered at Heritage. Their fitness programs are geared for all ages and fitness levels from everything from Fitness 101 for beginners to Hard Corps for a high intensity workout! Please visit hvvmg.com/fitness for more information.

From there it was time to raffle off the Spoon for the month of April. The bidding started at \$50 by Robin Cackler for Life Church, but then Don Lager upped the bid to \$100 for Midway, but it was not over yet. Robin came back with a bid for \$125 and won the Spoon!

Ethics Essay Contest

The Rotary Club of Victorville Ethics Essay Contest (formerly George Hensel Essay) had its first competition, put on by Dr. Ron Boyd. Ron and fellow judges Don Lager



and Jon Schuler went through about 2 dozen essays and then chose the top three, which were presented to the Club.

Runners up and winners of \$250 were awarded to Makayla True and Alondra Juarez. The winner of the competition



and winner of \$500 was Noe Montes who won based on his essay about choosing honesty over money, even when he could have easily gotten away with an untruth.

Congratulations to all of our competitors and thanks to Dr. Ron Boyd, for keeping the essay contest alive.

Rotary Guests



This week the Boyd family was in full force, as Dr. Ron Boyd had his wife Stephanie and their daughters Ashley, Ellie and Sarah at the luncheon. Steve Orr once again brought Tiffani Calvert from Oggi's as

his guest and Shea Johnson and James Quigg from the Daily Press covered the presentation from our speaker.

Finally, our stand-ins this week were Robin Cackler for Pastor Paul Earle and Melanie Lovingood for Robert Lovingood.

Fine Session

Due to time restraints our Fine Master, Ryan McEachron only had time for one Rotarian, in which he gave a \$25 fine to Louise Bevilacqua as a new member welcome!

April Birthdays

Major Van Young	April 6
Corey Beck	April 10
Bill Scott	April 15
Mattie Brown	April 16
Tony Cooker	April 17
Russ Stringham	April 23
Alicia Anderson	April 23
John Hulterstrom	April 28

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.



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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
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 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.
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

- 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
- June 10: International Conference
thru 14**
Atlanta, GA

Future Rotary Programs

- April 4: Dr. Pat Mark Junior High 4-Way
Speech Contest** (A. Anderson)
- April 11: Assemblyman Jay Obernolte**
STAR students from Mojave Vista, West
Palms and Victor Valley Christian
- April 18: Caroll Yule, Owner Broker Shear Realty**
TOPIC: "My Journey to Real Estate"
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- April 25: OPEN**
STAR students from Helendale and
Riverside Prep
- May 2: RYLA students talk about their
experience**

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