

# The Joshua Tree

April 5, 2022

## CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO SERVE OTHERS



**Brandon Olod**



**Jesus Cordova**



**Daniela Avila**

This week we featured three wonderful students from Hook Jr. High who competed in our Francis G. Beatty Memorial Jr HS 4- Way Test Speech Contest. The content of their presentation centered around our Rotary theme for this year of “Serve to Change Lives”. The event was hosted by **Nancy Noble** and included judges **Terry Saenz, Eddie Oden** and **Derenda DeRose**, and time keepers were **Jeff Armstrong, David North** and **Dwight Johnson**.

Finishing in 3rd this week and receiving a \$50 check was **Brandon Olod**. Brandon shared a personal story when he was able to serve another by finding a wallet at a 99 Cent Store, and was able to locate the owner and return it. He also shared stories of others who serve to change lives such as YouTuber Nasty Nas who helps the homeless and

a story of a women who drove a broken down motorist 30 miles to her job! You never know if people are struggling and how you can help them.

Coming in 2nd place and taking home \$100 was **Daniela Avila**. She told the Club that serving to change lives is a matter of kindness. You don’t have to be a first responder or social worker to change another’s life for the better, anyone can do it. Daniela shared a story of a time when she stood up for another girl who was being verbally attacked by a boy. No matter how small, we all have to make the choice to help others.

Taking 1st place and \$200 was **Jesus Cordova**. In addition to writing his own books, plus an artist, Jesus is also a YouTuber with an animation channel. Jesus shared that serving to change lives comes down to integrity. Seeing a person, no matter if they look sad, glad or bad, if you are a person of integrity you know you need to help them. The big question then comes, will you do it? Instead of “*The more you give, the more you get*” it should be, “*The more you give, the more you feel happy, heartfelt, and grateful*”. Its all about integrity. Serving with integrity and goodwill will make all the difference, in them and in yourself.

### This Week’s Functionaries

- Invocation:** Chris Ackerman
- Flag Salute:** Jeff Armstrong
- 4-Way Test:** Rob Kilpatrick
- Fine Master:** David North

# HOVE'S HELLO



We had a great meeting by all of our Middle School Students at our Speech Competition. Great jobs to Brandon Olod, Daniela Avila and the winner Jesus Cordova!

Thank you all for the wonderfully put together presentations and stories you all shared. I also want to thank Nancy Noble and our judges and timekeepers for volunteering at this important meeting.



Our Comedy Night on April 16. We are still looking for raffle prizes for the event and hope everyone will donate something. There are only 80 tickets available and we want this to be a sell out.

District Assembly and District Conference are right around the corner. Make you plans to join Linda & I, Margaret, Arsalee and Dwight at these events.

See you next week!

*Jon Hove*



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The Easter Baskets are on their way!

The Sand Bernardino County Sheriff Department stopped by the home of Arsalee Morales this week and picked up the Rotary Easter Baskets.

All ten baskets will be delivered to deserving families over the next week.

Thanks for everyone who donated and helped put them together!

## Saturday, April 16, 2022 "Egg On Your Face" Easter Comedy Night

Doors Open 6PM  
Showtime 7PM

PG-13 Material

Tickets / Info:  
(760) 985-9581

Tickets: \$15.00



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# SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

## Big Blue Dice



*What a Dice Grab this week! Jon Hove received tickets from speaker Daniela Avila along with the promise that if he picked the Blue Dice he would give her 50% of the winnings. Well, our President did it! Daniela took home \$112.50 and we all know the other half of the money went to Linda Hove!*

*We will start again next week with 14 dice and \$200 for the lucky Rotarian who picks the Blue Dice from the bag!*

## Spoon of Exemption

**Jon Hove** had his first week with the Spoon and shared last week he and Linda were at the Grand Ole Opry and picked up a book of sayings of the late **Minnie Pearl**. The book contains some advice questions in which she gave some interesting answers.

“When my boyfriend calls on me he doesn’t want to do anything but sit in the parlor and kiss me from eight o’ clock ‘til twelve. Do you think we spend too much time on kissin’?” - Signed, Puzzled

“Them’s the kind of puzzles i enjoy workin’ on. I have always found that kissin’s like eatin’ soup with a fork. It takes a long time to get enough! - Minnie Pearl

## Fine Session

**David North** was our Fine Master this week and began by giving **Rob Kilpatrick** a \$15 fine in honor of his 15 years as a Rotarian, while Fire Chief **Jeff Armstrong** earned a \$20 penalty in celebration of his 1 year anniversary with our Fire Department.

Finally, **Mike Johnson** was asked to share information about a proposed DCB merger, but no information was given, and that resulted in a \$25 fine.

## Raffle

In this week’s raffle session **Rob Kilpatrick** took home a bottle of red wine from **Dwight Johnson** and a set of sharpie pens from **Mike Johnson**. **Nancy Noble** did well too! She won a set of Desert Community Bank coasters from Mike and a \$20 Juice It Up gift card from Dwight.

Finally, speaker **Brandon Olod** left the meeting with a Victor Valley Transit MAG Flashlight from **Chris Ackerman**.

## Rotary Guests

In addition to parents and relatives of our student speakers, this week we welcomed speech competition judges **Terry Saenz**, **Eddie Oden**, **Derenda DeRose** from The Butterfly Tamers and **Linda Hove** who was in attendance with President **Jon Hove**.

Our only Stand-in this week was **Mike Johnson** for **Esther Mears**.

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## The Polio Pig

**Collected this week: \$25.00**

**Collected to Date: \$18,727.67**

**Total equals: 98,571 Doses!**

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



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2021-2022 .....	Jon Hove
President 2022-2023 .....	Arsalee Morales
President 2023-2025 .....	<b>Need Candidates</b>
President 2025-2026 .....	Bill Edwards
Immediate Past President .....	Steve Orr
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary .....	Margaret Cooker
Foundation.....	Margaret Cooker
Club Service .....	Arsalee Morales
Community Service .....	<b>Need Volunteer</b>
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/Ryla & TLC .....	Ryan McEachron
Vocational Service .....	<b>Need Volunteer</b>
Grants.....	Margaret Cooker
High School Speech Contest.....	Ryan McEachron
Scholarships.....	Esther Mears and Arsalee Morales
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest .....	Ron Boyd
Membership.....	Dwight Johnson
Billing Officer .....	Esther Mears

**Members-at-Large:** David North, Esther Mears, Rob Kilpatrick & Ron Boyd

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Pam Murray
Programs .....	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Stephen Quintero
Public Service.....	Rick Bessinger, Teresa DeAtley, John Wickum & Jeff Armstrong
Sergeant At Arms.....	Arsalee Morales
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Margaret Cooker
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Maureen Mills and Michal Krause
Fundraising.....	Arsalee Morales
Flowers and Gifts .....	KayMarie Gregory
VVUHSD Jr. HS Four Way Speech .....	Nancy Noble
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 Spring Valley  
Lake Country Club, 13229 Spring Valley Parkway, 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, 13165 Main St., Hesperia San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Rositas, 540 Main St, 12:00 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	Apple Valley, ZOOM Meetings, 1st, 2nd and 4th Thurs 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

- April 11: Board of Directors Meeting**  
5:00 pm Meeting at Robar Enterprises  
17671 Bear Valley Road, Hesperia  
2nd Building on the Right Side of Driveway
- April 16: Comedy Night Fundraiser**  
6:00pm Doors • 7:00pm Show  
Victorville Elks Lodge, 14041 Hesperia Road  
Tickets: \$15.00
- April 21: Fireside with District Governor  
Elizabeth "Betsy" McDonough  
Barry**  
5:00pm, Apple Valley Chamber Office  
16010 Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley
- April 23: District Assembly**  
Granite Hills High School • 8:45am - 1:45pm
- April 25: Past Presidents' Meeting**  
5:30pm • Location TBA
- April 28: Past Presidents' Dinner**  
Mama Carpino's • Apple Valley, CA  
Fellowship 5:00pm • Dinner 7:00pm

## Upcoming Programs

- April 12:** David Wilkerson, Victor Valley College  
History Professor **Topic: "The Forgotten  
Presidents"** (Page)
- April 19: Dan Stover Music Contest** (Cooker)

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