



Rotary 

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# The Joshua Tree



**April 9, 2019**

## S.T.A.R. STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

This week we honored more of our S.T.A.R Students from Park View Prep, Puesta del Sol, Sixth Street, Village, and West Palms Conservatory. On hand to give out certificates from elected officials, we had **Kimberly Mesen** from Paul Cook's office, **Chris Nunez** representing Assemblyman Jay Obernolte, **Regina Weatherspoon Bell** from Robert Lovingood's office and Rotarian **Keith Metzler** representing the Victorville City Council.



Over at Park View Prep, we met **Jordan Osuna** who was recognized for his change in behavior this year and has learned to better cope with his frustration in learning.

**Carlos Rivera** was also awarded for our improvement on his reading this year. At the beginning he was scoring at 2.3 and is now at 4.0!

At Puesta del Sol, **Jared Crist** began his school year being frustrated at fixing mistakes and turning in work on time, but is now turning



in all his work and working well with his peers. **Carmella Williams** continues to persevere in all academic areas, and does not give up when things get challenging. She is a self motivated student.



From Sixth Street STEAM we were introduced to **Ashley Morales** who was honored for not only her improvements academically, but also in her 21st Century

Skills, with great drive and determination. Joining the school mid-semester, **Victoria Velasco** had some catching up to do, but has done extra assignments and worked diligently to join at her classmates level, even going beyond in math!



Down the street at Village, **Dario Shields** has improved in both his attitude towards adults as well as his education. He works hard each day to improve his grades and to make a positive contribution to the community.



Finally over at West Palms Conservatory, **Mikayla Castillo** has blossomed into an avid reader and has already exceeded her yearly reading goal for the whole

**This Week's Functionaries**  
**Invocation: Keith Metzler**  
**Flag Salute: Matthew Farias**  
**4-Way Test: Rick Bessinger**  
**Finemaster: Terry Caldwell**

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## COOKER'S CORNER



Back in charge is this gal! I had such a wonderful time being your emcee for this week's meeting and was so pleased to host this month's S.T.A.R. Students, or as I refer to them, our future leaders. Thanks once again to **Jim Barnes** for all of your hard work with this program.

Biggest news of the was the announcement that your Board accepted the resignation of President **Brad Letner** at Monday's Board Meeting, and we will continue as we are until **Steve Orr** takes over as President for the 2019-2020 Rotary year.

On Saturday, May 11 at 9am, we will be convened at the San Bernardino Fairgrounds with other High Desert Clubs for the Food Packing Group Project, which is being spearheaded by the Apple Valley Club. Please make your plans to join us for this monumental event for our Community.

Also make your calendars for another "Movie Night at the Hoves'" on July 27th at 6pm. It will be a great time of fellowship and food. **Jon and Linda Hove** will provide the main dish and other Rotarians are encouraged to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. The movie will be outside so make sure you bring a lawn chair and get ready for a fun evening.

Finally, the Club is looking for a foursome team for the District Golf Tournament in Anaheim on May 2. Let us know if you'd like to participate.

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school year! We also met **Stella Rynders** has become the top student in her class by working extremely hard, especially in mathematics, where she has already mastered all 6th grade standards.

Thanks to **Jim Barnes** and all those behind the scenes to make our S.T.A.R. Student Program such a great success

## PAST PRESIDENTS' DINNER



## SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

**David North** spoke to the Club this week, once again seeking donations for this year's Scholarship Drive. The more money donated, the more scholarships can be given out in our Club's name! David also warned that he would be the Fine Master next week, and he said Rotarians will pay a lot less donating now, then the amount they will be fined next week for NOT participating!



David also asked for volunteers to help from a request from University Prep to be judges in their Senior Presentations event on April 17th from 1-4pm. If you have not yet joined a committee or have had the time to get deeper involved with the Club, then this is a perfect 3 hours to make a world of difference. See David for more information.



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## LUCKY BLUE DICE



*Matthew Farias got the chance to get the big money this week, but took another white dice out of the bag!*

*We will continue next week with 5 Dice and \$425 for a Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!*

## FINE SESSION

**Terry Caldwell** was our Fine Master this week and even though we haven't seen him at the podium for a while, he was ready to take action and...some revenge. Terry first called our **Captain Rick Bessinger** for admitting he was using the roll up banner as a "Cheat Sheet" for leading the Club in the 4 Way Test this week, and all in front of the S.T.A.R. Students! That earned him a \$20 fine. Also earning a \$20 penalty was **Donna Wells** for coming close to the end of the tax season.

Earning \$10 fines were **Margaret Cooker**, who even though she has been a Rotarians for 30 years and has been in this Club with Terry this WHOLE time, still mistakenly called him **Jim Cox!** **Kevin Kane** also left \$10 lighter due to the fact that he was ahead of the energy game, with VVTA already having 70 electric buses being made to make way for future energy regulations.

Finally it was Revenge time for Terry. First was to fellow Fine Master **Ryan McEachron**, who has fined Terry in the past. At a recent VMI, Ryan's wife was recognized for a mystery school where she will be principal. Ryan was given the choice to share the secret or take a fine. Ryan paid \$25 to stay quiet. Lastly was **Jon Hove**. Whenever Terry doesn't show up at a meeting, he gets a "snotty" email from Jon reminding him of the importance of attending as well as how important it is to show up at 11:30 for networking. Terry noted that Jon arrived at this week's meeting at 12:05. The late fee levied was \$31 for being over 30 minutes late.

## RAFFLE

Our only raffle prize this week was a \$25 Starbucks gift card from **Steve Orr** that will be enjoyed by **Keith Metzler** from the City of Victorville.

## ROTARY GUESTS

This week we had a packed room of family, school officials and representatives from our elected officials, all there for this month's S.T.A.R. Students. In addition the stand-ins this week was **Martial Haprov** for **Brad Poiriez** and **Kris Reilly** for **Dr. Ron Williams**.

## A VISIT TO RYLA



Our newest Rotarian, **Matthew Farias**, got his first "Rotary Moment" when he got a call asking if the Salvation Army would accept a food donation from the RYLA Camp this year. Never to turn down an opportunity to feed the hungry in Victorville, Matthew went up to the site

and was so pleased to see such happy students and the incredible experience not only from the youth but for Matthew himself! He was especially pleased with watching the young people doing their part in packaging the food, that was donated to the Salvation Army, and knowing that they were playing a true part in helping others in need. All Rotarians are encouraged to be a RYLA Facilitator at some point, it is well worth it more many ways.

## THE POLIO PIG

**Collected this week: \$69.26**

*Polio Pig: \$64.26 + Dice (Matthew Farias): \$5.00 = \$69.26*

**Collected to Date: \$16,2440.99**

**Total equals: 93,753 Doses!**

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



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2018-2019 .....	Brad Letner
President 2019-2020 .....	Steve Orr
Immediate Past President .....	Dwight Johnson
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary/Foundation/Administration ...	Margaret Cooker
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane
President 2020-2021/Club Service .....	Arsalee Morales
Community Service .....	Dwight Johnson
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/RYLEA & TLC .....	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational Service/Speech Contests .....	Dr. Breda Leach
Scholarships .....	David North
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest .....	Ron Boyd
Membership.....	Jon Hove

### Members-at-Large:

Mark Taylor • Dan Dever • Steve Murray • Russ Stringham • Don Lager

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
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Programs .....	Mike Page
Public Safety Awards.....	Rick Bessinger
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Marie Langley
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Jim Barnes/Robin Cackler
Fundraising/Flowers and Gifts .....	Teresa Letner
Billing Officer .....	Esther Mears
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 Adelanto 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 Domingos, 1520 E Main St, 12:00 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

**Apr 17: Aussie Vocational Team Members & 18**

**May 11: Food Packaging Project**  
9:00am  
San Bernardino County Fairgrounds

**May 13: Board of Directors Meeting**  
5:30 pm Meeting  
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor  
Hesperia and Silica Roads

## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

**April 16:** Sue Moore, Moore Digital Marketing  
**TOPIC: "What is your Social Media Footprint?"** (Page)

**April 23: Jr. High Francis Beatty Memorial 4 Way Speech Contest**

**April 30: Evening Meeting - Chateau Chang**

**May 7:** San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon **TOPIC: "Meeting President Trump"** (Page) + STAR Students

**May 14:** Danny Garcia, San Bernardino County Sheriff Department **TOPIC: "Cultural Diversity"** (Page)

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