

The *Award Winning* Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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Highly Organized Terror



Born in Beirut, Kevork Kazanjian is of course very knowledgeable in the area of the Middle East. As the Adjunct Faculty Undergraduate from CSUSB and Model United Nations Instructor at Victor Valley College, this region is also very personal too.

The terror group ISIS, is known in their homeland as IS, which stands for “Islamic State”, which sees itself as just that, a fully functional State. And sadly, they are not far off.

After a an introduction from Ginger Ontiveros, Kevork began his presentation with a history on how ISIS evolved from the fall of Sadam Hussein to what it has become today. After the Sadam regime was toppled, Syria was left alone and with no Allied troops there, ISIS was formed. What exactly is ISIS today? It is a fully functional executive branch of government with healthcare, education and more. At this moment Syria is in chaos and 7 groups are fighting for control and ISIS is winning at this time. In the last year 11,000 Westerners have joined them, in part due to the

fact that they are attracting very devout and religious people, who have a zeal for Religion. Where most of the Western world is moving into a more secular route, ISIS is moving into a long-term and stable religious organization.

Most shocking are the numbers ISIS is putting out in the form of a yearly Marketing and Business Report, for lack of a better term. This material is used for recruiting as well as a historical document for ISIS. In the 2013 Report they have some staggering figures: 15,000 troops on payroll, 1,000 assassinations in 2013, 10,000 operations in Iraq, 4,000 explosive devises planted and hundreds of non-Muslims “converted”.

The assembled Rotary members were enthralled with the presentation and had numerous questions for Kevork. It was another heavy presentation, but one that needed to be heard, so as business leaders and Rotarians, we will have the knowledge to educate others on the true danger of ISIS.

Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation: Gary Adams
Flag Salute: Dan Munsey
4-Way Test: Steve Murray
Song: Al Castellucci

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



Steve Says...

Steve Murray started the meeting by give huge thanks to **Michael Page** for filling in for Steve at last week's Rotary meeting, as he was stuck at work, and Michael did a fabulous job as Master of Ceremonies.

It's time to start thinking about who should be the Rotarian of the Year! The winner will be announced at this year's Demotion Party. Fliers will be on your table at next week's meeting, where you can recommend someone who you feel deserves this honor. The committee will be made up of past Rotarian of the Year recipients, and will meet after to make the final all important decision.

Steve had **Dwight Johnson** give us an update on Club Service activities. As the time you read this the Past President's dinner will be in the past, but April 27th will be a Past President's meeting will be taking place at the Green Tree Golf Clubhouse. Please contact Dwight to RSVP for this event.

Ginger Ontiveros gave us an update on the latest in Youth Services. On May 15, Senior Awards will be given out at University Prep. Ginger may be looking for some assistance that day, so if you'd like to help her out, please let her know.

Finally, **Carol Voll** paid \$5 to make announcement on a worthwhile fund-raiser on April 29 which raising money for group therapy for children and families healing from sexual abuse (*see below*).



OUR CHILDREN PROJECT
First Annual Fund Raising Luncheon Event
 All funds benefit Our Children Project, a unique group therapy program for children and families healing from sexual abuse.
 Keynote Speaker: Opal Singleton, "Million Kids"
Wednesday, April 29, 2015
 12-00-1:30 p.m.
 Ascension Lutheran Church-Fellowship Hall
 22130 Ottawa Rd., Apple Valley CA 92308

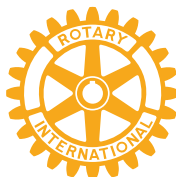
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (only by 4/26)
 Tickets: \$30 per person
 Table for 10: Reservation: \$275

SPONSORS:
 \$250 includes 3 Luncheon meals

Make checks out to Lutheran Social Services
 Memo: Our Children Project
 38231 Hwy 18, Ste 7, Apple Valley CA 92307
 For more information Call or Email
 Carol Voll @ 760-962-0250
 cvoll@lsscservice.org

Given by Our Children and Families
 If it weren't for this group I would be in a shell. For a long time I didn't have friends, I would sit alone... but coming here opened me up and allowed people to come in.
 I understand it was not my fault, it was theirs.

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THIS WEEK'S GUESTS

Marie Langley took the mic and welcomed today's guests to our meeting. **Russ Stringham** helped us welcome a familiar face to our Club, Mark Sawyer, who joined us today. **Al Castellucci** re-introduced us to Jim Vanderveldt, who was once again brought to our meeting from Mark McKay. We also welcomed Penny Edmiston, who was a guest of **Ron Williams**. Finally, our stand-ins for this meeting were as follows: Robin Cackler for **Paul Earle**, Ralph Fernandez for **Don Lager** and Andrea Pireda for **Rosanne Weathers**.



4-Way Speech & Dan Dover Music Competition Students

Top Row, (left to right):

Dan Stover regional piano winner **Hugo Sanchez**, Victorville, Silverado HS
Dan Stover runner up, Apple Valley, Granite Hills HS
4 Way Test Speech Regional winner **Cameo Jiiron**, Apple Valley, AVHS

Bottom Row, (left to right):

4 Way Test Speech Regional runner up, Excelsior
4 Way Test Speech Regional runner up **Hannah Shroeder**, Silverado



WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$17.39

Collected to Date: \$12,266.19

Total equals: 86,635 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

RAFFLE SESSION:



Fantastic set of raffle prizes today! Caroll Yule was our Raffle Hostess for Today's



meeting, and the first raffle gift was one that everyone wanted! A Jack Daniels Sampler kit, which was donated by **Dwight Johnson**, was taken home by **Jim Murray**.



Dr. Hough also had great gifts, a "Get Moving, Get Healthy" bandana, which was won AND worn by **Ben Tafoya** (photo left) and a set of orange golf balls, won by **Ralph**

Fernandez, and also a Dream Big book which was taken home by **Robin Cackler**. **Andrea Pireda** from Desert Valley Hospital donated a mug of goodies which was one by **Alicia Anderson**, **Paula Porter** gave a bottle of Chardonnay, which was won by Dwight Johnson. Dwight also won another bottle of wine... Party at Dwight's place! Dwight also donated a slew of gifts such as a shirt from Kat Kountry, won by **Steve Orr**, a Fox 106.5 shirt, won by **Carol Voll**, and a Y102 shirt won by Robin Cackler. **Mark McKay** donated a set of LED flashlights which was won by **Caroll Yule**, and Caroll gave a package of Post-It Notes, which was gladly accepted by **Margaret Cooker**. Finally, to go along with his fashionable bandana, Ben **Tafoya** will go shopping with a \$25 Midway Gift Card, from **Ralph Fernandez**.

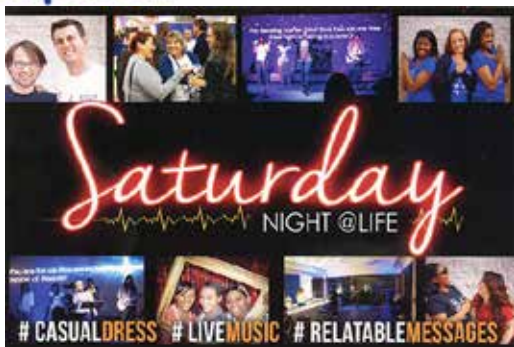
LUCKY BLUE



Ralph Fernandez from Midway had a chance to win today on behalf of Don Lager, but lady luck was not on his side. He tried for the blue dice, but only got a white one leaving \$450 and 4 dice left!

SPOON OF Exemption

Paul Earle



Robin Cackler, filling in for Paul Earl, shared a new Saturday night service at Life Church. This ultra contemporary worship service is geared for our younger generation, with relatable messages, live music, and casual dress. Services are held Saturday nights from 6-7:15 pm.

SUPER BUILD!

Sign up today to join fellow

District 5300 Rotarians in Tecate, Mexico to build a home from scratch in just 1 day!

Friday, May 1: Stay on Border

Saturday May 2: Build!

See Margaret Cooker to sign up!

VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

Board of Directors

President	Steve Murray
Immediate Past President	Russ Stringham
Treasurer	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary	Margaret Cooker
Incoming President/Membership	Ben Tafoya
Publicity/Public Relations	Kevin Kane
Club Service & President 2016-17	Dwight Johnson
Community Service	Brad Letner
Youth Service	Ginger Ontiveros
Vocational Service	Jim Barnes
International	Dan Dever
Foundation	Margaret Cooker

Members-at-Large:

Rob Kilpatrick • Mark Taylor

Positions & Committee Chairs 2014-2015

BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
SongMaster	Al Castellucci
Club Activities	Dwight Johnson
Membership.....	Ben Tafoya
Programs	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations	Kevin Kane / Dwight Johnson
Scholarships	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More	Dwight Johnson
Cards and Calls	Pam Murray
Newsletter	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

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.
WEDNESDAY:	Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at Astro's Burgers, 11619 Rancho Rd, Adelanto at 8am. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 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 Victor Valley Sunrise, Mimi's Cafe, Victorville, 7 a.m. Rotaract, 4th Thursday, VVC Student Activities.
FRIDAY:	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



Important Dates

Mark your Calendar!

April 27: Past Presidents' Meeting
5:30 p.m. Green Tree Golf Course
Clubhouse

May 1-2: Super Build
Tecate, Mexico, see Page 3

May 15-17: 2015 District Conference
Green Valley Ranch Resort
2300 Paseo Verde Parkway
Henderson, NV 89052



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UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- April 21: Elementary School 4 Way Test Speech Competition** (Marsden)
RYLA attendees give report
- April 28: SANBAG TOPIC: Express Lanes** (McEachron)
S.T.A.R. Students from Liberty & Lomitas (7)
- May 5: Kristianna M. Parde, San Bernardino County Deputy District Attorney**
Topic: "How Marijuana Laws Affect You and Your Business" (Yule)
- May 12: TBA**
S.T.A.R. Students from Helendale, Oro Grande & VV Christian (6)

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