



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

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Are You as Passionate as a 5th grader?



"Umm, Hi. I knew I was going to blow it, I'm so bad at speeches..." she mumbled as she began her 4-Way Speech. **Pastor Paul Earle** quietly leaned over and whispered "It's OK young lady, you're doing fine." Then with a sly smile, Treasure Olson from Galileo Academy looked up and in a loud voice and bright smile said, "Negative thinking like this can change the situation you're in." As she continued her speech on "Negative Thinking" in the Elementary School 4-Way Speech Contest, Treasure had won the hearts of all Rotarians in Attendance.

Led by **Jim Barnes**, passionate speeches from all four elementary school entrants made for a very upbeat and exciting Rotary meeting. Their passionate speeches were all well thought out and executed wonderfully. Michael Bernal spoke of volunteerism, Mikayla Ellwood from Victor Valley Christian spoke on the topic of teen suicide, and Preslee Lillard from West Palms Conservatory delighted us with a speech on animal cruelty, all using the concept and importance of why, we hold the 4-Way's so close to our heart in life, as well as in business.

Judges **Caroll Yule**, **Sam Lucia** and **Dwight Johnson** and timekeepers **Marilyn Buttelwerth** and **David North** soon returned with their decisions. The winner was Treasure Olson, with Michael, Mikayla and Preslee serving as runner ups. Certificates and Target gift cards were given out thanks to the sponsor of the Elementary 4-Way Speech Contest, **Dr. Dale Marsden** and also additional financial support from **Dr. Pat Mark**.

Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation:	David North
Flag Salute:	Sam Lucia
4-Way Test:	Caroll Yule
Song:	Al Castellucci

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



Margaret Takes Over...

Margaret Cooker ran our Rotary meeting today, filling in for our President **Steve Murray** who was stuck at the tire shop.

It is a busy time for Rotary and events are happening very quickly. The Past Presidents' and Past District Governors Meeting is on Monday, April 27, and the sign-ups for Super Build are already closed.

Margaret shared that **Brad Letner** will lead the Community Service meeting on Tuesday, April 28th, immediately following our regular Rotary meeting.

Finally, a reminder that prices go up for District Conference on our hotel in Green Valley on April 24th, so now is the time to act!

Past Presidents' Dinner

Mama Carpinos was filled to capacity last week as the Rotary Club of Victorville held their Past Presidents' Dinner. It was a time full of fun and laughter as Rotarians past, present, future and widows enjoyed fellowship, deep discussions and some wonderful food. Thanks to **Dwight Johnson** for all his hard work setting up this event and **Pam Murray** for providing the photos to commemorate this event.



THIS WEEK'S GUESTS

Ron Hughes handled mic duties today and went around the room and had all the parents, grandparents and teachers from our 4-Way contestants and S.T.A.R. students introduce themselves.

Marie Langley introduced her co-worker Diana Amaya, and **Pastor Paul Earle** brought Robin Cackler as a guest this meeting, instead of his stand in.



STAND-INS

Sometimes our awesome Rotarians are out making the world a better place (or on vacations), and need a representative to fill in the gap in their absence. Today was just such a day:

Violette Roberts for **Eldon Heaston**

Eugene Everage for **Dr. Hough**

Jim Vanderbelt for **Mark McKay**

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$19.10

\$12.10 from Pig, \$2 from father of Treasure Olson and the \$5 Dice winnings from Tony Cooker

Collected to Date: \$12,285.29

Total equals: 86,673 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

**SPOON OF
Exemption**

Paul Earle

Pastor Paul Earle took his time this week to speak on his new series, "Living the Dream - The Life of Joseph". God inspires dreams, but is it for us, or to help others? It is time we all ask ourselves, "Why am I here in this position in the community?" It is not to raise ourselves up, but to be an influence to others, to make them greater. Your life resolves around God, not around you.

S.T.A.R. STUDENTS

Liberty Elementary



Left to right: Adrian Durane Davis, Cameron Smith and Anyiah Lashinsky. Top: Jim Barnes

The stars were truly shining brightly as students from Liberty Elementary were awarded at Tuesday's meeting for their exemplary work and improvement this year.

Jackie Jauregui from the Victor Elementary School District introduced the students who received awards.

Adrian Durane Davis. This young man lives with his grandmother and is legally blind, but his struggles do not stop him. He helps others in class, excellent behavior and participates in class. He works hard and is determined to rise above his challenges,

Cameron Smith. Cameron has always struggled with math. It leaves him frustrated, but over the past 2 years it has really paid off. His math skills have improved greatly and his math performance is not a badge of honor he proudly wears.

Aniyah Lashinsky. She began her school year with grades in math and writing well below standards. Her determination has led to these two areas going up two levels. Aniyah is now working a grade level standards!

RAFFLE SESSION:



D w i g h t Johnson, gave a Del Taco Goodie bag which was won by **Paul Earle**



as well as Chivas Regal, which was won by **Gary Adams**. Gary's luck continued as he also won a gift from **Mary Hennessey** and a Midway \$25 gift card, donated by **Don Lager**. Don won some posted notes and a hat from **Steve Murray**. **Ron Hughes** was also a big winner, as he went home with a Starbucks mug and aroma therapy candle, both donated from **Caroll Yule**, as well as a bottle of wine from the Club. **Marie Langley** donated a Starbucks Tumbler which was won by **Margaret Cooker** and a Sees Candy gift card, where **Jim Murray** preceded to run to the Mall to get some sweet goodies. **Dr. Hough** was also showering gifts, with golf balls won by one of our speakers Preslee Lillard, as well as her "Get Healthy, Get Moving" bandanas, which were won by Caroll Yule and Preslee again! A bottle of Chardonnay from **Paula Porter** was taken away by **Stew Anderson** and finally, a Mug of goodies from **Rosanne Weathers**, was won by Marie Langley's guest, Diana Amaya.

FINED

Jim Barnes led our fine session today and had a few goodies. **Terry Caldwell** and **Paula Porter** were fined for holding up the

program due to excessive networking, and they voted to pass the fine to Kevin, since he was not there! **Don Lager** for was fined \$10 for giving Jim a great deal on furniture and **Steve Orr** was also fined \$10 for sitting next to **Dwight Johnson**, as Dwight was excluded from fines because of his hard work at the Past Presidents' Dinner. Finally, **Michael Page** was fined \$15 for making Jim be the Fine Master!

LUCKY BLUE



Tony Cooker had a chance to win the big money for Margaret today, but no "Dice". He tried for the blue dice, but only got a white one leaving \$475 and only 3 dice left! He slept on the couch Tuesday evening.



VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

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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 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 28: SANBAG TOPIC: Express Lanes
(McEachron)
RYLA Attendees Reports
Presentation of George Hensel Ethics Essay Awards

May 5: Kristianna M. Parde, San Bernardino County Deputy District Attorney
Topic: "How Marijuana Laws Affect You and Your Business"(Yule)

May 12: Clive Houston-Brown
Topic: "The Water Crisis in Mali Africa"(Anderson)
S.T.A.R. Students from Helendale, Oro Grande & VV Christian (6)

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