



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

April 29, 2014

Old Glory Presentation & Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Pastor and retired USAF CM Johnny Lewis delivered a patriotic and passionate tribute to our American flag this week at the Rotary Club of Victorville meeting. "Look up and see me. I stand for peace. I stand for honor. I stand for justice. I stand for truth, but most of all, I stand for freedom!" Johnny's "Old Glory" narrative brought chills, and his final salute and playing of Lee Greenwood's "I'm Proud to be an American" song always hits our patriotic nerve. Thank you, Johnny, for your dedication and service to our country, as well as the reminder of what Old Glory stands for to the people of America.

Garner Morris of the 1st District Supervisor's Office introduced Johnny, and said he sees the U.S. flag misrepresented often around our community. We can do our part at Tuesday Rotary meetings by making sure the eagle which sits atop our flag faces outward, toward the audience. In closing, we all agreed that God DOES bless the U.S.A.!



USAF Retired CM Sgt. Johnny Lewis displays flag etiquette and reverence.



Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation:	David North
Flag Salute:	Ben Tafoya
4-Way Test:	Brad Harris
Song:	Al Castellucci



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive, two-and-a-half-day leadership training program for high school juniors in District 5300.

Snow was not expected at Camp Whittle, but apparently about 6" fell during the night, to everyone's surprise! Our newest member, Rosanne Weathers, was excited about her weekend, and reported on the experience (Pg. 3). For some great photos that depict what RYLA encompasses, paste this url onto your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/RYLADistrict5300>. Click on "Photos" and enjoy.

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

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



We were well represented this week by retired servicemen, including our speaker, CM Sgt. Johnny Lewis and his wife, Lugenie, Garner Morris of Robert Lovingood's office, retired USAF, and Brad Letner, Retired U.S. Army Lt. Colonel. Mary Hennessy introduced and welcomed Brian McKay of McKay Mortuaries, sitting in for his father, who is interested in our Club, and Robin Cackler from Life Church.

REMINDERS...

Remember... you can pay your bills online through DaCdb...

Past President's Dinner - May 1

Mama Carpinio's - 6:00 Social Hour, 7:00 Dinner



Now is the time to update your information on the Club database. The new directory will be coming out soon. Just click on the DaCdb icon on the home page (under the Joshua Tree graphic), log in, click on "my data" at the top, then click on "edit". Changes can then be made to your information.

PROPOSED MEMBER

Approved for publication by BOD e-poll April 30, 2014

Lt.-Col Brad A Letner

US Army Retired

Classification: Military: Army Retired

Sponsor: Margaret Cooker

***Note:** If you protest the admission of this proposed member, please submit your reason(s) in writing to President Russ Stringham by May 12, 2014*

1 Pantry Item = 1 Raffle Ticket

BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!



Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an ongoing, annual Food Drive, and a recipient organization will be chosen quarterly.



2014 District Conference

May 15-18

You'll enjoy golfing, the Palm Springs Street Fair, 4-Way Speech and Dan Stover Music contests, Rotary inspiration and, of course, the Tiki Lounges (hospitality suites)! You need to act now to secure your club's Tiki

Lounge or space in the Ohana Hall, where you can show off your community service projects. More details are available on the flyer, available at the District web site:

<http://www.district5300.org/>

NOTE:

Special Pricing extended through May 1st!

MAKE UP A ROTARY MEETING ONLINE!

Visit: <http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>

LUCKY BLUE MARBLE

Gary Adams was looking for the lucky orange marble; but alas, found another blue, worth \$5.

Next week:

\$400 / 10 Marbles



WIN

A Glock 16 Handgun

Valued over \$600

\$20 / 1 ticket ~ \$100 / 6 tickets

Help support the Rotary Club of Victorville

Drawing will be held Saturday, June 14, 2014

Only 300 tickets will be sold





Russ' Rap

President Russ explained the two "reserved" tables in the back of the room were **Mike Page's** idea. **Mike** later explained his purpose: "To be sure attendees of the meeting sit toward the front of the room". Good idea, Mike :)

Dwight Johnson reported that 15 Easter Baskets (actually laundry baskets) were delivered to the Lord's Table, each containing Stater Brothers gift cards and basic food items for needy families. Thank you to **Dwight** and **Trish**, and also **Mark Layton** and **Becky Layton** for wrapping the baskets. This was our Club's Easter Community Service.

Steve Murray had several reminders to members: There are tickets available for the "Opportunity Drawing" to win a Glock handgun. Tickets are \$20/each, or six tickets for \$100, and the drawing will be held at the June 14th Demonstration Party (See page two). **Steve** thanked **Hough** for bringing in toiletry items for the new SuperBuild homeowners in Tecate. If you have anything to donate, they are needed by Friday morning; contact **Steve Murray**.

Rosanne Weathers reported on her RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) adventure this past weekend. There were almost 288 kids participating, with 36 adults, including our own **Margaret Cooker** and **Bob Basen**. Our newest Club member, **Rosanne**, admitted she didn't know what she was in for when she volunteered to do a community service at RYLA. As a Facilitator, she was responsible for eight eleventh grade students. She described her experience as "electric", stressing the importance of "trust" between the attendees. **Rosanne** said she can't wait for next year, and highly recommends Rotarians take this opportunity for service above self!

Russ's last reminder for District Conference: The room discounts have been extended to May 1st: \$125/rm. or \$155/suite.

CORRECTION to Past President's Dinner May 1st: Time is 6:00 p.m., location is Mama Carpino's.

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$45.00

Collected to Date: \$11,169.15

Total equals: 85,217 Doses!

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

FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



Mark Taylor had fun with Rotarians this week. He started by auctioning the Spoon, which went uncontested to **Don Lager**.



Mike Page was hit up for a fine of \$10 for messing with the Finemaster; **Bob Basen** earned a \$25 fine for his promotion to Vice President at Coldwell Banker; and **Doug Robertson's** birthday earned him a \$23 fine. On to the Raffle: **Desert Valley Hospital's** Lunch box went to **Dick Cole**; RYLA Water Bottle and **Midway Home Solution's** \$25 Gift Card were won by guest **Lugenie**; **Printmart's** Coozie and Survival Knife were won by **John Kroencke**; **Brandman University's** Hawaii Mug (Rotary D.C. themed) went to guest **Brian**; and **Gary Adams** won a Rotary License Plate Frame (his second... he has two cars, you know). **Rosanne Weathers** received her first fine... \$10 for bailing early from the meeting during the fine session. **Holly Noel** opted for a blatant political advertisement, receiving a hefty \$50 fine (no free announcements here), and **Jim Cox's** ringing phone went unnoticed, in spite of **Holly's** snitching to the Finemaster. **Gary Adams's** lucky ticket was pulled (again), but he took only \$5 from the marble bag. Better luck next time, Gary!

Finemaster **Mark** finished his session by reporting an excellent Fireside at the **Murray's** home, and a reminder to mark your calendars for the **Hove** Fireside this summer featuring a big screen outdoor movie and popcorn!



Paul Earle



Special Weekly Program: April 20 - May 25

13001 Mesa Linda Ave., Victorville,
760-995-3217



Al Castellucci filled in for Pastor Earle this week, speaking on temptation and recited Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me". Good job, Al!

Mark Taylor sold the "Spoon of Exemption" Spoon for a flat hundred bucks to **Don Lager** of **Midway Home Solutions!**



VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

Board of Directords

President & Immediate Past President.....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer	David North
Executive Secretary	Margaret Cooker
Incoming President/Membership	Steve Murray
Club Service & President 2015-16	Ben Tafoya
Community Service	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service	Ginger Ontiveros
Vocational Service	Jim Barnes
International	Dan Dever
Foundation	Margaret Cooker
BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttelwerth

Members-at-Large:

Dwight Johnson • Bob Basen • Rob Kilpatrick • Kevin Porter • Mark Taylor

Positions & Committee Chairs 2013-2014

Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
SongMaster	Al Castellucci
Club Activities	Ben Tafoya
Membership.....	Steve Murray
Programs	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations	Dwight Johnson
Scholarships	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More	Ben Tafoya
Cards and Calls	Gaylynn Stringham
Newsletter	Mary Teran

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. University Prep Interact Club, 1:45 p.m.
WEDNESDAY:	Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 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, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.
FRIDAY:	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



Important Dates

Mark your Calendar!

- May 1:** Past Presidents Dinner - Mama Carpino's (6:00 Social/7:00 Dinner)
- May 3:** Super Build Project - Corezon, Tecate, Mexico (Contact Steve Murray for info.)
- May 7:** High Desert Huddle! - VVC - 4 - 7 p.m. - Performing Arts Center - Free Pizza.
- May 15-18:** District Conference
Palm Springs
(Hilton Palm Springs)
- June 14:** Demotion Party - Home of Dan and Kristine Dever



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UPCOMING

ROTARY PROGRAMS

- May 6:** Jane Guttman, High Desert Juvenile Court School. Topic: "Transforming the Cradle to Prison Pipeline: Helping Kids to Exchange a Crime Addiction for a Book Addiction!" (Hough)
- May 13:** Donovan Rinker-Morris, Esq., Victor Valley College. Topic: "2014 Senate Race and US Foreign Policy: Is America Missing in Action? (Page)
- May 20:** S.T.A.R. Awards

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