



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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## Group Study Exchange Team From India Visits Rotary



GSE Team from left: Meghna Dass, Abhishek Roy, Shashi Seth, Manikaustabh Goswami, and Mohini Gupta



Team, GSE Team with Rotary President Russ Stringham and Ben Tafoya, International Chair

The GSE Team from India (District 3291) was introduced to the Rotary Club of Victorville, and brought a variety of personalities within the Team. These young people's careers are just as varied... Architect, Investment Strategist, Television Producer, Engineer, and Sociologist. Each member characterized their own personality with a colorful PowerPoint presentation that portrayed their lifestyle, sense of community, and other areas of interest. Team Leader Shashi Seth, from the Rotary Club of Belur, brought greetings from District 3291 Governor Uttam Ganguli. Each of the four team members is sponsored by a different Calcutta Rotary Club.

As stated on the District 3291 web site: "Calcutta was the home town for the first Rotary club in the mainland of Asia. R.J. Combes, the manager of a steel products company while on a business trip to U.S.A. was so impressed by the "Friendship, fellowship, and service" aspects of the movement called Rotary that he wanted to introduce the idea to his friends in Calcutta also. There was no difficulty for him to convince enough people and convene the first meeting on 26 September, 1919. The new club was chartered just after three months of the first meeting, on the new year day of 1920 to be exact. All the twenty charter members were non-Indians."

District 3291 is comprised of 11 revenue districts of West Bengal (with over 4,000 members), and consists of 140 clubs, of which the Rotary Club of Calcutta is the oldest and largest. We thank Ben Tafoya for the introduction to this GSE Team from India.

### Thank you to today's Functionaries



- India National Anthem:** GSE Team
- Flag Salute:** Breana Luna
- 4-Way Test:** Agathe Piotrowski
- Song:** Al Castellucci

**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



Brad Harris introduced guests this week. Aside from our GSE guests, we welcomed Garner Morris (for Robert Lovingood); Agathe Protrowski, foreign exchange student from France;

Breana (Sandra) Luna; Jacquie Lukocsffi (Edson); and Debra Popineau, Apple Valley Rotarian.

## ★ Upcoming Rotary Events ★

**May 15 - 8:00 a.m.**

**Adelanto Rotary Off-Site**

**RSVP to Stephanie: 760-912-8767**

### 2013 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

**May 17 - 19, 2013**

**Experience fellowship, celebration, motivation and inspiration... Sign up on the District Web site!**



Ben Tafoya introduced our Club's Foreign Exchange Student from France, Agathe Piotrowski. Agathe is currently attending The Lewis Center, and was presented a Rotary Club of Victorville Flag and pin by Ben Tafoya.



**May 16-19**

**2013**

**Town & Country Resort & Convention Center**

**San Diego**

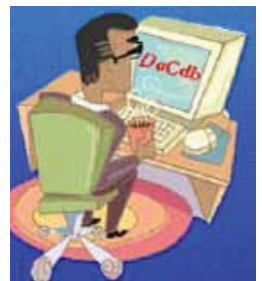


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### How to update your information:

Initially, as a Rotarian in this District, you may review and update your own record for Personal & Contact Information. Here is how you do it: Go to the web site (<http://www.dacdb.com>.) and sign in by using your E-mail address as the User I.D., and your RI Member ID as your Password. (Your RI Member ID is on your monthly ROTARIAN magazine just above your Name, or you can get it from Margaret Cooker). Just click VIEW My DATA (under the MEMBER tab), and then you may EDIT/change "your information", including the User I.D. and Password to values of your choice. Go to the following web site, and if you have problems, contact Margaret Cooker.



## WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

**Collected this week: \$17.05**

**Collected to Date: \$9,281.15**

**Total equals: 79,595 Doses!**

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!





## Russ' Rap

**President Russ** asked **Mark Sawyer** for an update on the swamp coolers for the Boys and Girls Club in Adelanto. **Mark** told us they are up; one is already working, and the rest need some connection upgrades, which will be completed this Saturday. **Russ** reminds us this is a “hands-on” project, and help will be needed on Saturday.

**Russ** thanked **Stew Anderson** for canned goods he donated this week. **Russ** is hoping to make another delivery by the end of May, so please help by contributing to the Pantry!

Remember the District Conference coming up in May (See page two), and if you golf, consider joining the tournament on May 16th.

**Stephanie La Ferriere** updated us on the Adelanto Club membership numbers. It appears they will begin official Adelanto Club business July 1st. **Stephanie** invites us all to their May 15th off-site meeting at the Adelanto School District (11824 Air Expressway) at 8:00 a.m. RSVP is necessary: [Stephanie.laferriere@learningmatters.org](mailto:Stephanie.laferriere@learningmatters.org) or 760-912-8767 by May 8th.

Congratulations to Rotarian **Marie Langley**, pregnant with her second child!

## 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.

### Spoon Auction for May



Caroll Yule had the winning bid. of \$150. We look forward to current reports from Shear Realty on the latest in the housing market (and probably some songs).

## LUCKY ORANGE MARBLE



**Sam Lucia** tried for the lucky orange marble this week, but took home only \$5.

**Next week... \$600 and only 6 marbles!**

## FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



**Mark Taylor** held court this week, and also played Auctioneer for the Spoon of Exemption for the month of May. **Caroll Yule** beat out **Russ Stringham** with a final bid of \$150, so we can look forward to “chirping” along with **Caroll** for the next four weeks. **Jim Barnes** brought a B&B Tee Shirt to raffle off (complete with the sensor) and it went to **Gary Adams**, who received a \$50 fine for his ringing cell phone! (Actually, it was only \$10, but a “hard” fine.) A couple more fines were imposed... **Brad Harris** was hit for \$10 for tardiness, and **Sam Lucia’s** iPad ring during the Invocation cost him \$20!



With only seven marbles in the bag, **Sam Lucia** missed the opportunity of winning \$550; he took home \$5 instead. Next week: \$600 and 6 marbles!



## Mark Your Calendar...



**June 15 - 2-8 pm**

Promotion/Demotion of Russ Stringham  
Home of Dan Dever

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SPOON OF  
Exemption

*Don Lager*

# MIDWAY

HOME SOLUTIONS

FURNITURE • MATTRESSES • KITCHEN/BATH REMODELS • APPLIANCES • ELECTRONICS

Don Lager was out of town this week, so no promo for Midway. Thanks, Don, for providing us with a great off-site this month, as well as the \$50 Coupons!

## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

President .....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer .....	David North
Executive Secretary .....	Margaret Cooker
Club Service .....	Steve Murray
Community Service .....	Dwight Johnson
New Generations .....	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational .....	Joe Andreasen
International .....	Ben Tafoya
Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker
Recording Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttlerwerth
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams

### Members-at-Large:

Dan Dever • Bob Basen • Robert Lovingood • Stephanie La Ferriere

Past President (2011-12) .....	Charles Gehrke
Incoming President (2013-14) .....	Russ Stringham
President-Elect (2014-15) .....	Steve Murray
President-Elect-Elect (2015-16) .....	Ben Tafoya

### Current Chair Persons:

Membership .....	Charles Gehrke
SongMaster .....	Al Castellucci
Scholarships .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Dwight Johnson
Cards and Calls .....	Gaylynn Stringham
Programs .....	Mike Page
Club Activities .....	Dan Dever
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

<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 Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	Adelanto Club 1st and 3rd Wed. (8 a.m.), 4th Wed. (11:30 a.m.), R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto. 2nd Wed. (11:30 a.m.), Adelanto Chamber. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 2:00 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 Victor Valley Sunrise, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.



### Important Dates

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- May 15:** Adelanto Rotary Off-Site  
Adelanto School District - 8:00 a.m.  
RSVP to Stephanie: 760-912-8767.
- May 16:** District Conference Golf Tournament
- May 17-19:** District Conference Town & Country Convention Center  
**Register on the District Web Site**
- June 15:** Russ Stringham Demotion/Promotion Party - Home of Dan Dever. 2 - 8 p.m.

**IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR JOSHUA TREE LINK VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO GET ADDED TO THE EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST.**

## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- May 7:** Sgt. R. McCoy & Det. C. Pratt  
S.B. County Sheriff Dept, Victorville Station - Topic: "Crime-Free Busness" (Coker)
- May 14:** Dino Bozonelos, Instructor, Victor Valley College - Topic: "Arab Spring Two Years Later (Ontiveros) / S.T.A.R. Students (Striving To Achieve Results)
- May 21:** Attorney Earl Carter, Earl Carter & Associates - Topic: "Current Trends in Immigration" (Page)

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