



Rotary
Club of Victorville, CA



The Joshua Tree



May 15, 2018

The History of Clean Air

Rotarians learned a little more about the Air we breathe Tuesday, and what's being done to keep it clean with a presentation from Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD) Community Relations and Education Supervisor **Ryan Orr**.

Orr ran through the past, present and future of air quality in the High Desert, while peppering in some important knowledge on what forms of pollutants are harmful to our health. MDAQMD is celebrating its 25th Anniversary, continuing to carry out its mission of attaining and



maintaining healthful air quality while supporting strong, sustainable economic growth in our communities.

Known throughout the state as one of the most business-friendly air quality districts, MDAQMD adopts rules and regulations to achieve and maintain air quality, educates the public on air quality and works with new and existing business to follow clean air guidelines.

Orr, a High Desert native for more than 30 years, joined the Air District in February to lead their community relations and education department where they have increased their social media presence four fold, updated and relaunched the agency newsletter and have become involved in several local chambers of commerce. For more information on MDAQMD visit www.mdaqmd.ca.gov or follow them on Instagram, twitter or Facebook @MDAQMD.



This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	Capt. Joe Alvarez
Flag Salute:	Jim Doltar
4-Way Test:	Bob Basen
Song:	Al Castellucci
Finemaster:	Kevin Kane

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Dwight's Writes



Breathe in...Breathe out. Thanks to **Ryan Orr** from the MDAQMD for giving us an update on the history of clean air and what the District is planning for the future.

I don't know about you, but **Hannah Reynolds** wowed the room this week with her elementary school speech. So inspiring to hear

a 6th grader have such a grasp on the 4 Way Test.



We are collecting donations for our Scholarship Program as well as for our ReadB4K graduates.

Speaking of ReadB4K, **Brad Letner**



asks that you make plans to join us on May 24th at 2pm over at Hook Community

Center as 12 students have graduated through the program this year! We will be giving them all \$50 gift certificates so they can purchase school supplies and be ready for kindergarten, reading at a 1st grade level!

Finally, the thought of the week is "If you are not doing what you love, you are wasting your time."

- Billy Joel

ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Raffle Prizes

Jim Cox was our big winner this week, by taking home a DCB pen from **Mike Johnson** and Desert Fiat bag. **Dwight Johnson** donated a couple of pairs of Renaissance Fair tickets and Y102 shirts that went to **Steve Orr** and **Don Lager**, while Don's \$25 Midway gift card will be used by **Ryan McEachron**.

Finally, **Bill Edwards** gave away some mystery bags that left the meeting with **Jim Murray**, **Dwight Johnson** and **Jon Hove**.

Rotary Guests

Along with the family of elementary speech contestant **Hannah Reynolds**, we welcomed her principal at Galileo **Conor Devlin** and **Jon Hove** brought his son **Harrison Hove**.

Blue Badge



Congratulations to **Arsalee Morales** who when from red to blue this week! Arsalee has been

dedicated and involved with the Club since joining and this week received her Blue Badge...and a \$20 fine!

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$29.00

Polio Pig: \$14 + \$10 Tim Reynolds - father of speech contestant: + Dice (Dwight Johnson): \$5.00 = \$28.00

Collected to Date: \$15,279.93

Total equals: 91,608 Doses!

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

Lucky Blue Dice



Our President received the chance to win the jackpot but picked another white die out of the bag and donated his \$5 winnings back to the Polio Pig.

We continue next week with 11 dice and \$275 for one lucky Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

Fine Session

Kevin Kane was our reluctant Fine Master and began by giving himself a hard fine of \$30 so he could share the good relations the VVTA has with the MDAQMD. In the near future all VVTA buses will be going electric to do their part.

Tuesday was "National Peace Officers Memorial Day" and **Jon Hove** knew how many names were on the Memorial Wall but **Margaret Cooker** didn't know which President commissioned the day, so she was fined \$10.

As noted elsewhere in the JT, **Arsalee Morels** was given a \$20 for receiving her Blue Badge, and finally Dodger fan **Jim Doltar** and Angels fan **Mike Johnson** both received \$10 for not knowing where their teams were in the standings.

Spoon of Exemption

Don Lager brought the Spoon again this week, and laughed that since he had it, he was going to be fine free for his phone going off during the meeting!

Next was a reminder of the Private Sale happening next Thursday. Over 50 of their suppliers will be there and some of the items given away will be twenty 40" flat screen TV's, thirty iPads, stereo systems and much more. Watch your mailbox or the phone call for admission to this private event!

Elementary Speech Contest



A few issues ago, it was said in this very publication that when it comes to our speech contests, the younger the student, the better the speech. That was proven once again this week, when Galileo 6th grader **Hannah Reynolds** wowed the room with a passionate and engaging speech that focused on

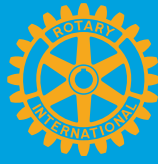
the principles of the 4-Way Test in the area of volunteerism.

Hannah shared just how important volunteering is to her to help people less fortunate. In 2014, she started collecting canned food and clothing for the homeless and when she is in high school, she will be a volunteer for St. Jude's hospital, an organization she is passionate about.

She reminded us that even the smallest act of kindness to another person can make a world of difference and it also helps in our social skills, by exposing us to people with similar interests.

The ultimate goal in volunteering for Hannah is to allow other children to see that there is good in this world, whether we make a difference in one life or throughout a whole community.





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
TUESDAY:	Rancho Cucamonga Sunrise, 7:15 a.m. Empire Lakes Golf Course Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens
WEDNESDAY:	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.
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
FRIDAY:	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

Calendar Dates

June 11: Board of Directors Meeting
5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor
Hesperia and Silica Roads

Future Rotary Programs

- May 22:** Michael Stevens, Community Advocate
TOPIC: "Community Engagement: The Key to Safer Communities"
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- May 29: Special Evening Rotary Meeting**
Republic Bar & Grill • 5:00pm
13261 Spring Valley Lake Parkway
Purchase your own drinks and extra food
- June 5: OPEN**
- June 12:** Don Ferrarese, Former Major League Pitcher
TOPIC: "More Stories From My Time in the Big Leagues- Encore Presentation" (Page)
- June 19: OPEN**
- June 26:** President Dwight Johnson **TOPIC: "My Second Year - A Year in Review"**
Treasurer Donna Wells **TOPIC: "Update on our Club's Finances"**
(Johnson)

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