



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

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## Who Wants to Wear the Concrete Shoes?



As a long time business owner in the High Desert, Jon Hove has seen it all. From early family beginnings, to building booms and depressions, his companies have survived, sometimes barely, and today, continue to thrive.

Jon's story begins in the early 1900's as his grandfather started in concrete work in Pasadena, California. To this day, you can sometimes come across "VC Hove" stamps in the concrete in that area.

Jon's father bought Hi-Grade Materials in 1955 as a way of staying in the family business, without having to pour concrete the rest of his life. The company started in Lucerne Valley and today resides on the corner of Bear Valley Road and Ridgecrest.

In 1990 the bottom dropped out of our economy and the building industry was hit very hard, but they survived with a lot of help. Most people don't realize the high costs of running a concrete company. Last year alone they spent between 3 - 4 million on trucks and equipment, not to mention wages and insurance.

The good news is our economy has bounced back and things are good. 400 homes are being built by Pulte in Jess Ranch, another 400 home project in Adelanto called Gateway, as well as many others all around the High Desert. In Commercial

work there is a \$3.5 million Dialysis Clinic going in on Hesperia Road as well as a Bakers Restaurant going up in Victorville. In Hesperia, a \$19 million concrete industrial building will be going up, as well as Family Dollar Stores in Boron, Helendale and Lucerne Valley. In Military and Government projects, there is the Hesperia & Apple Valley Water System, a \$57 million project as well as additional runways and taxiways at SCLA, in addition to bridges and more infrastructure.

Jon Hove foresees 2015 to end on a very strong note construction wise. As well as his industry, when construction does well, so does the rest of the community, such as realty, food and beverage and retail.

### *Thank you to today's Functionaries*



<b>Invocation:</b>	Van Young
<b>Flag Salute:</b>	Mark Taylor
<b>4-Way Test:</b>	Alicia Anderson
<b>Song:</b>	Al Castellucci

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



## Steve Sez...

**Steve Murray** reminded everyone to attend the VVC Scholarship Presentations with **Ginger Ontiveros** on Wednesday, June 10 from 4-6pm at the Performing Arts Center at VVC. We have 6 scholarship presentations, so it will be a great time for all club members.

**Dwight Johnson** reminded us about the Demotion/Promotion Party on June 27, beginning at 4:30 pm at Dan Dever's casa. Please contact Margaret to sign yourself, family and any guests you will be bringing.

**Ben Tafoya** and **Dan Dever** have been busy down in Brazil at the International Rotary Convention. They will be back on Sunday with a report at next week's meeting.

**Pam Murray** has been busy running the Rotary Club of Victorville Facebook page, and Steve reminds us all to "Like" the page and share it with others...a great way to garner interest and membership in our Club.

For the May membership award, it was down to two individuals, Steve Murray vs. **Ron Williams**, with 5 points each. Mr. Murray came out on top with a 50/50 draw from **Caroll Yule**, and walked away with a \$25 Costco Gift Card.

Finally we played a game once again of "3 Truths and a Lie". Here we go:

1. I was a magician's assistant in my early 20's
2. I am deaf in one ear
3. I am an avid skydiver
4. I own over 20 pairs of shoes

And the answer is... **Rosanne Weathers!** (she does not sky dive).

## LUCKY BLUE



**Gary Adams** always wins something, and today he won \$5 for selecting the white dice. We now have \$300 and 10 dice left.

## RAFFLE SESSION:



Once again the raffle prizes were plentiful! **Dwight Johnson** gave two certificates for "lunch for 2" at Vitelli's Deli which were won by **Donna Wells** and **Melanie Lovingood**. Melanie also went home with a final red Bob's Tire hat from **Steve Murray**, and speaking of Steve, the bottle of wine that has been going around the club the last couple of weeks, finally found a proper home with **Caroll Yule**, who also received a handmade Rotary keychain. **Steve Orr** donated a couple of Heritage hats and pens, which were won by **Jim Murray** and **Jon Hove**. Finally in the "Give and Ye Shall Receive" department, Steve Orr went away from the meeting with a \$25 Midway Gift Card from **Don Lager**.

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

Collected this week: \$12.00

Collected to Date: \$12,404.29

Total equals: 86,913 Doses!

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



**Mark Taylor** was back as our Fine Master and first off had all in attendance sing "Happy Birthday" to **Al Castellucci** for turning 87! Al was "Fine Free for the day, but **Mike Page** was not so lucky and received a \$50 fine for turning 53 and **Caroll Yule** was fined \$23 for her half in celebrating her 46th Wedding Anniversary.

## Proposed Members

If you protest the admission of this member please respond in writing by 5 p.m. June 22 to President Steve Murray

**Victor F. Rocha**

Owner

El Pescador

Classification: Restaurant: Mexican

Sponsor : Gary Adams



# Scholarship Letters

It was that time of year again as we joined **Ginger Ontiveros** and Victor Valley College for the Scholarship Awards at the VVC Performing Arts Center. We had 6 scholarship recipients from the Rotary Club of Victorville, and below are a few of their letters to us:

Dear Rotary Club of Victorville,

The purpose of this letter is to thank you guys for your generous donation of \$1000.00 15-VV Rotary - William O'Keeffe Memorial Scholarship fund. I was so overwhelmed when I found out I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship. It's hard to explain how happy I was because it meant so much to my family and I.

I am a Administration of Justice major at Victor Valley College. I plan to pursue a career in Law Enforcement after graduating from VVC. I am currently a sophomore carrying 37 units and plan to graduate in the spring of 2016. After graduation plan on attending the Police Academy, I'm not sure yet which one. Thanks to you guys I am one step closer to achieving my goal.

By rewarding me the 15- VV Rotary - William O'Keeffe Memorial Scholarship fund, you have gave me the motivation I needed to finish up my degree. This money allows me to focus on my grades instead of paying for books and supplies. I hope you guys keep on helping other students like me because you're giving us hope. Thank You.

Sincerely,  
Christian Gomez



Dear Rotary Club of Victorville,

I am writing to thank you for your liberal \$1000 Aviation Scholarship. I was overjoyed and grateful to learn that I was a recipient of this scholarship.

I am seeking to receive my Airframe license from the Aviation Technology Program at Victor Valley Community College. I plan on continuing my career in Aviation with Commercial Aviation and Technology Services, formally known as Southern California Aviation. I am currently in my fourth semester of classes and plan on finishing this program in the Fall of 2015. After completion of the program and exam for my final license I want to continue my education to receive my Associate of Science in Aeronautical and Aviation Technology. Thanks to you, I am a step closer to my goal.

By awarding me the Aviation Scholarship, you have decreased the financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of studying, fatherhood and Aircraft mechanics. Your benevolence has inspired me to help others and give back to those around me. I hope one day that I will have the opportunity to bless the lives of someone else, just as you have blessed mine.

Sincerely,  
Jose Nunez

Dear 15-VV Rotary,

I am writing to tell you how thankful I am for your generous \$500.00 15-VV Rotary- Oyler/Graves Nursing Scholarship. I was truly honored to find out that I have been selected by your committee to receive this gracious award.

For as long as I can remember, I have dreamed of becoming a nurse, so I may help people. Money issues were always an obstacle, and having young children made going back to school impossible for me. Now that my children are in their teens, I am finally able to pursue my nursing passion. Recently, I earned my Associates Degree in Science at Victor Valley College, and have also been accepted into their nursing program. My start date for the program begins in Spring of 2016, with an expected graduation date of December of 2017. I am extremely excited to get started on my path to being a nurse. Because of the VV Rotary, I am even closer to reaching this goal.



By choosing me for the 15-VV Rotary- Oyler/Graves Nursing Scholarship, you have eased the financial burden that I was facing. This award allows me to focus more on my education, so I may become an extraordinary nurse. I cannot thank you enough for this amazing gift. I promise as I continue my journey that I will always remember your generosity and share my good fortunes with others, as you have done with me.

Sincerely,  
Connie A Cebrynski

**OFF-SITE MEETING JUNE 23!!**



Please join us at the newly renovated Holiday Inn in Victorville on June 23rd, as we accept an invitation from them to view their new meeting facility.

**SPOON OF  
Exemption**

**Mary Hennessy**

Mary presented us with some more myth busters about Hospice care through Gentiva Hospice. Once such myth is that Hospice is only for cancer patients. The truth is they deal with any terminal illness such as heart disease, COPD, Alzheimer's, ALS, AIDS and much more. Please contact Mary at Gentiva to get the truths on Hospice care for a loved one. 760-241-7044.

## 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

<b>MONDAY:</b>	San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon Rotaract, 2nd Mon., VVC Student Activities.
<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 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.
<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, Mimi's Cafe, Victorville, 7 a.m. Rotaract, 4th Thursday, VVC Student Activities.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



## Important Dates Mark your Calendar!

- June 6-9: International Convention**  
Sao Palo, Brazil
- June 11: Avenues of Service**  
5:30 pm at Bob's Tire  
Fellowship at 5 pm
- June 15: Board of Directors Meeting**  
5:30 pm DCB BOD Room, 2nd floor  
corner Silica and Hesperia Road  
Fellowship at 5 pm
- June 27: Demotion Party**  
Dan Dever's Home  
13166 Waco Rd, AV  
760-963-2198  
Bring family, friends and prospective  
members...NO CHARGE  
Drinks@ 4:30pm

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## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- June 16: Dr. Ron Williams, Victor Valley Union High School District Superintendent**  
Topic: Showcase on VVUHSD Schools and Programs (Page)
- June 23: Ginger Ontiveros, Executive Director Victor Valley College Foundation**  
Topic: "40 Years of Changing Lives" and Report of International Convention (Tafoya)

**PLEASE NOTE:  
OFFSITE MEETING  
AT HOLIDAY INN VICTORVILLE**

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