



# The Joshua Tree



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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## The "Arab Awakening"



*The "Arab Awakening" is a title given by Al Jazeera to a group of democratic movements across the Middle East.*

Victor Valley College Professor Dino Bozonelos' specialty is Political Science and International Studies. He shared with us the dynamics of the recent uprisings in the Middle East. His experience is based upon his many visits to the region and his Military service there.

Recently the world's attention has been focused on a handful of countries... Tunisia, Egypt, Bahrain and Libya since the first popular protests broke out in Tunisia in December. Nearly a dozen countries in the region have seen political unrest, and are experiencing some form of the democratization process. Both Egypt and Tunisia have ousted their leaders, and face some difficult times restructuring. In Libya, Syria, and Yemen there is violence and untold brutality erupting between the government and the masses, all for the price of freedom.

Dino tells us, "The peoples of the region want democracy. They want freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of expression, Internet freedom, etc., and it is spreading like wildfire."

"It is vital to our foreign policy that we understand the issues facing these countries", says Dino. If you want to know more, visit "[aljazeera.com](http://aljazeera.com)", but be prepared for some anti-Americanism.



## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Welcome to our guests this week: Cherie Range brought her sister-in-law, Angie Davis; Margaret's guests included Dr. Peggy Pope, prospective member and Martha Dixon and her daughter, Hanna, prospective year-long Youth Exchange Student (Excelsior); Mojave Vista Youth Act members were Kiana, Veronica, and Macy, joined by Principal Christina San Nicolas; Pazely Hall, guest of Jon Hove, and Shandon Lussenden, Victor Valley College graduate and guest of Ginger Ontiveros. Jeff Salkin was with us for the second week in a row, sitting in for Robert Lovingood.



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

**Invocation:** Dale Marsden

**Flag Salute:** Mark Taylor

**4-Way Test:** Dana Utgard

**Song:** Al Castellucci

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





Another successful golf outing for Rotarians this year. Russ tells us it netted over \$10,000! The day was beautiful, and enjoyed by many Club members, as we can see. In the center we have a team consisting of four Past Presidents, including one P.D.G.!



Among those pictured we have Caroll Yule's Shear Realty Team, Alicia Anderson's Excelsior Team, Ken Chamber's Sunland Ford Team, and the Kimberly Ramirez R&S Beverage Team. Rancho Motors was our Hole-In-One Sponsor.

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

**Collected This Week: \$17.41**

**Collected to Date: \$8,687.80**

**Total equals: 86,878 Doses!**

One dollar equals 10 doses of vaccine!  
\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

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## "TED's Brazilian"

**Teresa** read four Thank You letters from grateful young recipients of our Club's Scholarship monies.

**Russ Stringham** reported on another successful Golf Tournament, netting over \$10,000. He sincerely thanked all Rotarians who helped out at this event, both financially and through participation. Next up is the Wine, Jazz, & More fundraiser, which **Hough** will be chairing, and **Russ** volunteers to assist as Co-Chair, if **Hough** would like.

**Charles Gehrke** announced that **Teresa** received a Presidential Citation with Distinction from the R.I. President for "Building Communities and Bridging Continents". Teresa announced our Club also received an award for "Membership Retention"!

**Charles** also commented on the great participation in this year's Interact Conference... almost 90 Interactors from our district!

Four local Interact clubs (Oro Grande Jr. High, Victor Valley Christian, Oro Grande High School and University Prep) raised \$815.00 for the Lifestraw Program. Our Club matched that amount, bringing the total to \$1,630 for their efforts!



**Margaret Cooker** announced we have received approval from R.I. for our "Satellite" pilot project. All members are invited to meet immediately following the June 22nd meeting to discuss ideas.

**Shandon Lussenden**, Victor Valley College graduate, visited to thank our Club for a great opportunity to participate in the "Model U.N.", Conference in New York, sponsored by the National Collegiate Conference Association.

**Teresa's Happy Birthdays** this week go to **Margaret Peterson**, **Steve Wingert**, and **Poly (Luis) Frisby**.

## Lucky White Marble



Kimberly Ramirez took \$5  
from the marble bag...

Next week: 10 marbles left  
**\$450.00 Pot!**

## RAFFLE SESSION...



**Mark Taylor** was on a tight time-frame, so decreed all to be fine-free for today!! On with some raffling...

**Kimberly Ramirez's** Baseball Cap was won by guest Pazely Hall, **Ginger Ontiveros's** "Hairspray" Tickets (two of them) were won by **Kimberly**; **Charles Gehrke** brought Chocolate Liqueur Cherries that went to **John Kroencke**, and **Gary Adams** took home a nice Scented Candle from **Gina Pické**. **Kimberly Ramirez** tried for the lucky marble worth \$400, but missed it by 10 marbles!



## Teresa's Happy Thought

"Happy is the man who renounces everything  
that puts a strain on his conscience."

## Rotarians in Action

### R.I. International Convention:



### District Conference:



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

President .....	Teresa DeAtley
Incoming President .....	Charles Gehrke
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary .....	Margaret Cooker
Club Service .....	Russ Stringham
Community Service .....	Dick Cole
New Generations .....	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational .....	Dr. A. L. Hough Everage
International .....	Ben Tafoya
Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker
Recording Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Sergeant At Arms .....	Gary Adams

### Members-at-Large:

Dan Dever • Jim Murray • Kimberly Ramirez • Bill Scott  
Cherie Range • Bob Basen • Alicia Anderson

Past President (2009--10) .....	Charles Gehrke
Incoming President (2011-12) .....	Charles Gehrke
President-Elect (2012-13) .....	Russ Stringham
President Nominee (2013-14) .....	Dr. A. L. Hough-Everage

### Current Chair Persons:

Membership .....	Charles Gehrke
SongMaster .....	Al Castellucci
Scholarships .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Charles Gehrke
Cards and Calls .....	Gaylynn Stringham
Programs .....	Mike Page
Newsletter .....	Mary Teran

**The Rotary Club of Victorville meets every Tuesday for fellowship at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12:00 noon at the Grumpy Golfer, 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 Hesperia, Denny's at I-15, 7 a.m. Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens San Bernardino, Masonic Temple, 12:10 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 2:00 p.m. High Desert, 6:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - Yoshi Sushi 14177 Kentwood Blvd., Victorville
<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

# Mark your Calendar!

**June 18 Demotion Party**  
Home of Dan Dever



### Directions to Dever Home

**13166 Waco Rd., Apple Valley**

From Bear Valley to Apple Valley Rd. (north), go east on Yucca Loma to Rincon. Turn right to Waco Rd., turn right again. Dan's is the 5th house on your right-hand side.

## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- June 21 Bruce Branstine, Vice- President / Private Client Advisor, Citizens Business Bank** – Perspective on the Current Economic Environment (DeAtley)
- June 28 Incoming President and Treasurer Report** (Gehrke / Wells)
- July 5 Robert Gaines** - Topic: Our Flag, What You May Not know (Yule)
- July 12 George Runner, Board of Equalization** Topic: To Be Determined (Page)
- July 19 Deborah Barmack, CEO SANBAG** Topic: Nisqualli Interchange / Yucca Loma Bridge
- July 26 Chet Hitt, Sunset Hills Memorial Park** Topic: How I Built my Business

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