



The Joshua Tree



June 19, 2018

Those Crazy Clients Who Want What?!?

Before he was a Professor at Victor Valley College, **David Wilkerson** had an interesting career at the Defense Visual Information Center. The Center was the official Department of Defense records center for the storage and preservation of visual information records of the United States Armed Forces. The films there were submitted by U.S. Military combat camera units and then the footage would be requested by the military, government and commercial clients worldwide for broadcast in various formats.

David was employed as the Senior Archivist from 1997 till 2009 and was



responsible for overseeing three other archivists in reviewing and providing detailed records of where and when the footage was shot.

As an archivist and a researcher, he watched and knew every film in the library. David dealt directly with many diverse clients as they searched for specific stock footage for use in their individual productions. Most of these requests were pretty straightforward and easily handled, but some requests were impossible to fulfill.

A lot of people who were looking for stock footage actually didn't understand that this was real military battles caught on film, they truly believed these were staged reenactments! One of those requests came from a film producer that demand he be given film footage of a MIG fighting against an F-4 Fighter and wanted to see a missile to missile fight and see one go right into the planes tailpipe and then see the reaction of the pilot's face right before he hit the ground!

Those who did understand the genesis of the films actually made for some very odd requests. One such person asked David to feel free to show him any classified material or anything that was strictly labeled as "need to know".

One type of film David would not release was Vietnam footage of soldiers being wounded in battle, in case the soldier had died later on due to the injuries sustained. He had numerous requests over the years for UFO footage from Roswell in 1947, and told the Club that none actually exists.

Finally, with all the crazy requests, he was once allowed to help someone. A mother had never gotten a chance to see her son in uniform, and because David knew every frame of footage in the library, she was able to finally see her son as a military man.

This Week's Functionaries

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| Invocation: | Bill Edwards |
| Flag Salute: | Rick Bessinger |
| 4-Way Test: | David North |
| Song: | Al Castellucci |
| Finemaster: | Jim Barnes |

Dwight's Writes



This week began with the tragic news that our own Sergeant at Arms **Gary Adams** passed away on Sunday. Gary lived and loved Rotary and our hearts are broken

with the thought of him not being at our check-in table when we arrive at the luncheon anymore. Please keep **Carole Adams** and the rest of the family in your thoughts and prayers during this challenging time.



I want to thank Professor **David Wilkerson** from Victor Valley College for speaking to the Club this week on such an interesting career as a film archivist for military footage.

I appreciate everyone who took time to sign the thank you card for the GEO Group for their generous donation of \$5,000 to the Club for our Scholarship Program. That money will go along way in helping students achieve their dreams.

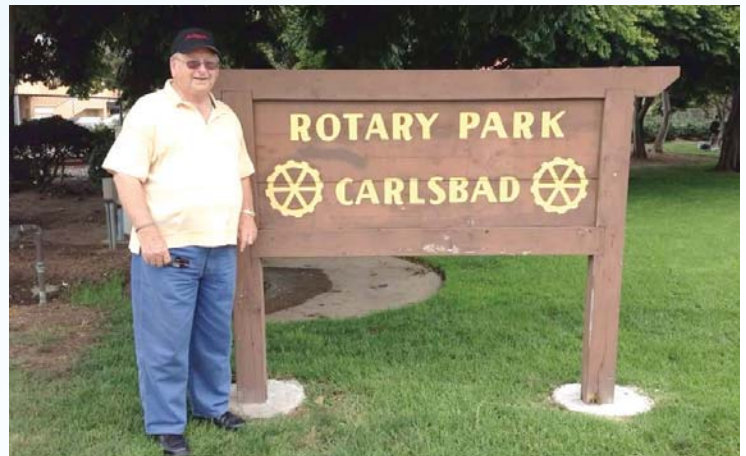
Next week will be my final meeting as your Club President. I look forward to seeing you there, as First Lady **Trish Johnson** and I round out this two-year journey. More in my column next week.

Finally, the thought of the week is "Courage is rightly considered the foremost of the virtues, for upon it, all others depend."

- Winston Churchill

ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

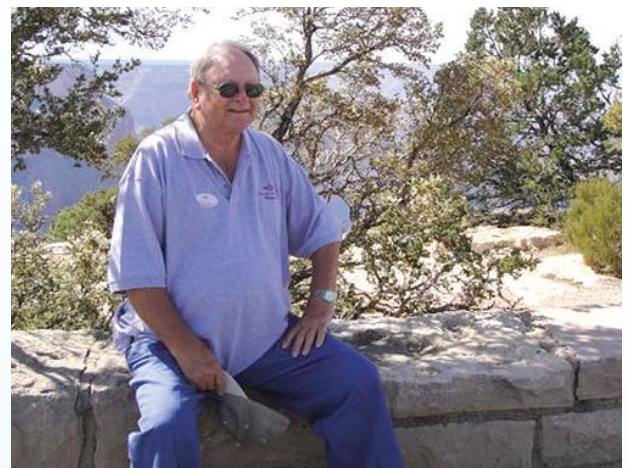
A Fond Farewell



At 9:30pm on Sunday, June 17th we lost one of our most beloved members, **Gary Adams**, who passed away from complications from Diabetes and Pneumonia.

Gary became a Rotarian in 1980 and served as a Past President. Gary loved being the Club's Sergeant at Arms and held that title for many years. Gary, and his wife Carole were also very involved with many of our Club functions such as Wine, Jazz & More and our annual Super Bowl Party. Gary's love for Rotary runs so deep, that one of his final requests, was that he be buried wearing his infamous Rotary Vest and his Badge.

Our hearts are heavy because we will never laugh out loud again when Gary wins another raffle prize at every single meeting, but deep inside we can be filled with joy, knowing Gary has won the greatest raffle prize of all, eternity in Heaven with Jesus Christ.



Lucky Blue Dice



Bill Edwards thought he had it "in the bag", but took another white dice out as we continue next week.

Next week there will be 7 dice and \$375 for one lucky Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

Fine Session

Jim Barnes was our Fine Master this week and even though **Steve Orr** said he would fine himself for leaving the "Spoon" at the meeting last week, Jim helped him out with a \$26 penalty. There was a mysterious black balloon hanging from the ceiling this week, and any Rotarian under the balloon was fined \$10. **Steve Murray** and **David North** were not pleased. **Kevin Kane** was given a \$10 fine for promoting **Chris Ackerman's** 50th birthday where he will be announcing Yardbirds Baseball on a special "Crazy Chris Night" next Tuesday, and **Jim Murray** was also gave up \$10 for not wearing his badge.

Finally, **Bill Edwards** was fined \$10, just because Jim hadn't had a chance to fine him for a while.

Spoon of Exemption

Steve Orr used his time with the Spoon this week promote the Industrial Occupational Medicine Department at Heritage. Led by **Dr. Moushabeck** and his staff, they can take care of per-employment physicals, drug testing and much more. Heritage Victor Valley Medical Group is more than just primary medical care, find out more at www.hvvmg.com.

Raffle Prizes

Bill Edwards was the big winner at this week's raffle. Bill took home a desk kit from **Kevin Kane** at WTA, two tumblers from **David North** at Alaska USA, and a pair of Yardbirds Baseball tickets from **Dwight Johnson!** **Don Lager** also won a pair of tickets as well, while his \$25 Midway gift card will be used by Dr. Ron Boyd.

Bill Edwards gave away 4 "mystery bags" that were opened by **David North, Kevin Kane** and **Dwight Johnson** who one twice! **David North** also took home a set of



candles from **Jim Murray** and **Craig Garrick** didn't go home empty handed as he won the bag and chip clip from Alaska USA.

The final raffle prize of the day was the Lawry's Restaurant gift card from the Southwest Las Vegas Club that will be enjoyed by our President & First Lady **Dwight & Trish Johnson**.

Rotary Guests

This week we welcomed **Shallon Cusack**, co-worker with **Arsalee Morales** at AVCom, and **Val Vetack** brought two guests this week, **Eva Baker** from Caremore Health and **Ernie Mayorga** from Choice Medical.

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$21.00

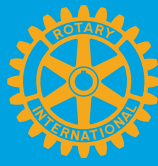
Polio Pig: \$16.00 + Dice Bill Edwards): \$5.00 = \$21.00

Collected to Date: \$15,375.93

Total equals: 91,800 Doses!

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





VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

Board of Directors

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Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttlerwerth
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George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest	Ron Boyd
S.T.A.R. Students	Robin Cackler
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Joshua Tree Editor	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

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 30: Demotion Party**
Home of Brad and Teresa Letner
- July 9: Board of Directors Meeting**
5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor
Hesperia and Silica Roads
- July 14: Movie Night**
Home of Jon and Linda Hove

Future Rotary Programs

- June 26:** President Dwight Johnson **TOPIC: "My Second Year - A Year in Review"**
(Johnson)
- July 3: DARK**
- July 10:** Brad Letner, Rotary President **TOPIC:**
"From the Army to Adelanto: How did I get here and where are we going together this Rotary Year"
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- July 17:** Caroll Yule, Owner / Broker Shear Real Estate **TOPIC: "Are We Headed for Another Crash"** (Page)

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