



# The Joshua Tree



July 25, 2017

## The Numbers Game: Voter Trends in California

When it comes to crunching numbers, there are few who love it more than **Steve Hunt**, Editor of the Daily Press. As a former sports writer, he uses numbers to analyze voting, much in the same way he did analyzing baseball. A former member of our Club, Steve spoke this week on voter demographics during the November 2016 election nationally, in California, as well as locally.



Nationally, the turnout for eligible voters was 60.2%, which equates to 139 million voters, a new record. The 232 million eligible American voters was also a record.

In the area of the popular vote, Hillary Clinton won the popular vote by 2.8 million, but that was largely due to the fact that she had 4.2 million more votes

than Donald Trump in California. In the other 49 states and DC, Trump had 1.4 million more votes overall than Clinton. In the area of demographics the wealthy earning \$150,000 or more are twice as likely to vote as the poor and more women than men have voted in every presidential election since 1980.

Turning to California, 75.27% voted in the November 2016 election, and the highest percentage was in the Obama 2008 election at 79.42%. Residents aged 55+ make up 31% of the adult population and 48% of likely voters, while people 18-34 make up 32% of the population but are only 17% of likely voters. 24.875 million California residents were eligible to vote, and 19.4 million were registered, but only 14.6 million actually voted. Of those registered voters 44.9% are democrats, 26% are registered as Republicans and 24.3% have no party preference.

In the High Desert Adelanto has the majority of democrats with 4.2K voting for Hillary and 1.6K voting for Donald Trump. On the other side of the coin in Apple Valley, 17K voted for Trump and 9K cast votes for Clinton. The City that was the closest in votes was Barstow which had 2.6K for Trump and 2.5K for Clinton. Numbers for other High Desert cities came in at 14.K Trump/10.9K Clinton in Hesperia and 17.6K Clinton/12K Trump here in Victorville.

Finally, in local measures, the highest turnout in votes cast was 75.4% for the First District Supervisor position and 74.2% for Measure A, allocating funds for the Apple Valley Fire District. The lowest turnout in terms of votes was for Measure F in Barstow, a \$33 million school bond. Even though it would increase property taxes in a generally disadvantaged area, only 45.8% of registered voters cast ballots.

### This Week's Functionaries

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| Invocation:  | Bill Edwards      |
| Flag Salute: | Van Young         |
| 4-Way Test:  | Louise Bevilacqua |
| Song:        | Al Castellucci    |
| Finemaster:  | Mark Taylor       |

## Dwight's Writes



It was a pleasure to see former Club member **Steve Hunt** back with us, albeit for one week only as our speaker on voter trends, but I was also happy to see a full room, in a month where attendance is normally lighter than usual.

Please mark your calendars to bring your family and potential members to our special Rotary evening meeting on Tuesday, August 15 at 5pm over at Los Robertos on Hesperia Road. It will be a lot of fun to be in a different setting.

Please remember to keep Rotarian **Ron Hughes** in your prayers as he is recovering at home from cancer of his kidneys.

**Rosanne Weathers**, shared that this year, the 17th Annual Wine, Jazz and More, will also be our last. The theme will change next year, and will be even grander in scale! The jazz band has been hired, and they are in the process of getting catering quotes and sponsorship levels.



Please step up and help! Your Board of Directors is currently looking for a member to fill the Vocational Avenue of Service duties for the Club. Please talk to me for more information.

Finally, my thought of the week is "All of our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them."

- Walt Disney

# ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## Lucky Blue Dice



**Rob Kilpatrick** took a turn at winning the big money, but drew a white dice instead so we go another week.

Next week we will continue with 10 dice and \$300 up for grabs for one lucky Rotarian!

## Spoon of Exemption

This week **Dwight Johnson** shared a great event coming up on August 5th, the Dog Daze of Summer 2017, a combo event between the Rotary Club of the High Desert and the Hesperia Rec and Park District. The event, sponsored by El Dorado Broadcasters will be held at Civic Center Park in Hesperia and will have vendors, dog contests and a showing of the "Secret Life of Pets". Contact El Dorado Broadcasting at 760-241-1313 for sponsorships.



Being the last meeting of the month, the Spoon was then auctioned off, but there was only one taker, so **Chris Ackerman** got the spoon for 5 weeks in August for only \$50!

## The Polio Pig

**Collected this week: \$21.00**

Polio Pig: \$16.00 + Dice (Rob Kilpatrick): \$5.00 = \$21.00

**Collected to Date: \$14,340.21**

**Total equals: 89,727 Doses!**

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

## Raffle Prizes

**Robin Cackler** had a long string of raffle tickets and went home once again with some great raffle gifts! During the raffle session Robin won a basket of kettle corn from **Marie Langley**, and a water bottle, as well as a large basket of goodies from **Bill Edwards**. **Donna Wells** also went away with a large goodie bag from Bill, and **Gary Adams** took home a couple of gifts in the form of an Alaska USA bag from **David North** and a traveling bar set from **Robin Cackler**. The final raffle prize was a stress cone and water bottle from **Kevin Kane**, that was won by **Jim Murray**.

## Fine Session

**Mark Taylor** was our Fine Master again this week, and fined **Donna Wells** \$25 in honor of her birthday, and rounded up **Kevin Kane's** 19 year Rotary Anniversary fine to \$20. The final fine was \$10 to **John Wilkins**, for missing Rotary meetings for (at least) the last couple years.

## Fireside



A few images of our recent Fireside at the home of Pam and Kevin Kane. Thanks to all who attended.

## Blue Badges



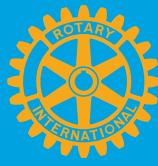
Congratulations to Rotarians **Corey Beck** and **Bill Edwards** for their dedication and fulfilling all their requirements and receiving their Blue Badges this week. Each was then given a \$20 fine!

## August Birthdays

<b>Brad Letner</b>	<b>August 1</b>
<b>Kay Marie Gregory</b>	<b>August 2</b>
<b>Rosanne Weathers</b>	<b>August 5</b>
<b>Don Lager</b>	<b>August 11</b>
<b>Phyllis Fox</b>	<b>August 14</b>
<b>Mark McKay</b>	<b>August 21</b>
<b>Ben Tafoya</b>	<b>August 23</b>
<b>Manjita Patel</b>	<b>August 24</b>
<b>Craig Garrick</b>	<b>August 27</b>
<b>Ron Hughes</b>	<b>August 31</b>

## August Anniversaries

<b>Dan Dever</b>	<b>32 Years</b>
<b>Dick Cole</b>	<b>25 Years</b>
<b>Mattie Brown</b>	<b>15 Years</b>
<b>Phyllis Fox</b>	<b>15 Years</b>
<b>Shirley Williams</b>	<b>15 Years</b>
<b>Major Van Young</b>	<b>10 Years</b>
<b>Dr. Paul Stanton</b>	<b>9 Years</b>
<b>Christine San Nicols</b>	<b>6 Years</b>
<b>Brad Poiriez</b>	<b>1 Year</b>



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2016-2018 .....	Dwight Johnson
Immediate Past President .....	Ben Tafoya
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Executive Secretary/Foundation/Administration ...	Margaret Cooker
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane
Club Service & President 2018-2020 .....	Brad Letner
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International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/Scholarships .....	Van Young
Vocational Service .....	TBD

### Members-at-Large:

Steve Orr • Mark Taylor • Dan Dever • Rob Kilpatrick • Jon Hove  
Marie Langley • Steve Murray • Russ Stringham

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttewelwerth
Billing Officer .....	TBD
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
Song Master .....	Al Castellucci
Programs .....	Mike Page
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Rosanne Weathers
R.Y.L.A./TLC/Public Safety Awards .....	Teressa Coomes
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	TBD
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest .....	Ron Boyd
Four Way Speech Contest .....	TBD
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Margaret Cooker
Flowers and Gifts .....	Trish Johnson
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

<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
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	High Desert/Hesperia Club meets 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St., Hesperia Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick 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 Domingo's 1520 Main St, 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
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## Calendar Dates

### Aug 9: WJM Committee Meeting

5:30 pm  
D'Vine Wine Bar  
14845 Monarch Blvd, Victorville

### Aug 15: Evening Rotary Meeting

5:00 pm - 8:00pm  
Los Robertos Restaurant  
12670 Hesperia Road, Victorville  
*There is NO Lunch meeting that day*

### Sept. 30: Wine Jazz and More

5:00 pm Wine Tasting • 6:00pm Dinner  
Spring Valley Lake Community Center  
12975 Rolling Ridge, Victorville  
\$45 per person • \$75 per couple

## Future Rotary Programs

- August 1: Glenn Pomeroy, CEO California Earthquake Authority **TOPIC: "2,000 Known Earthquake Faults Crisscross California; Are YOU near one?"** (Coker)
- August 8: Caroll Yule, Owner / Broker Shear Real Estate **TOPIC: "Residential Real Estate"** (Page)
- August 15: Evening Meeting at Los Roberto's
- August 22: San Bernardino County Sheriff Deputy Asiah Medawar, Victorville Station **TOPIC: "Homelessness"** (Schuler)

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