



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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Building Blocks and the City's Budget



Victorville City Manager and Rotary Club member Doug Robertson demonstrated the reality of balancing the City's budget through his exercise with "building blocks".

Victorville Rotarians learned... this is not a simple task! Doug had presented this program to another group recently, and just happened to have the materials in his car, so stepped up to offer it to the Rotary Club of Victorville in their speaker's unplanned absence this week.

The following departments are within the City's budgetary responsibilities:

Community/Public Services: Facilities / Library / Parks / Recreation

Administration: City Manager / City Council / City Clerk / City Attorney

Internal Services: Finance / Human Resources / Information Technology

Police: Dispatch / Patrol / Administration/Leadership

Fire: Suppression / Prevention/Inspection / Dispatch / Administration/Leadership

Development/Public Works: Planning / Building Inspection / Code Enforcement / Business License / Street Maintenance / Street Sweeping

There have been many tough years recently, as "the budget goes the way the economy goes". About six years ago, the City of Victorville faced a deficit of about \$13.4 million dollars, and Doug described the severe cuts that were necessary and difficult to make at that time. The challenge for Rotarians was to "build" the budget for a city by allocating funds to each of the departments using a total of 50 blocks; each block representing a million dollars. A couple of scenarios were approached which reflected the recent economic ups and downs faced by the Victorville City Council.

It was interesting that most teams reflected a similar consensus in the challenge of balancing expenditures and revenues while also estimating for an unknown economic future. This interactive lesson was a fun and enlightening exercise, and we thank Doug for bringing it to Rotary!



Thank you to today's Functionaries



- Invocation:** John Hulterstrom
- Flag Salute:** Brad Harris
- 4-Way Test:** Don Lager
- Song:** Al Castellucci

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

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Mark Sawyer introduced guests this week. We welcomed Mary Hennessy from Gentiva Hospice, potential member (Castellucci); Raghada Khoury, Executive Assistant and Aide

to the District Governor and Apple Valley Club member; and Jacquie Lukacsffi (Edson).



Consider becoming a member and allocate your Rotary donations to the projects you choose!

ROTARY EVENTS...

Rotary Club of Adelanto

Charter Night Celebration

Wine Cheese and Beer event

August 22, 2013

6:00 p.m.

R and S Beverage in Adelanto



"Shop for a Cause" offers great discounts and a chance to win \$500 at Macy's in the Mall of Victor Valley Aug. 24th. All the ticket sales profits will go to the Victorville Rotary Foundation for service projects and scholarships. See Margaret Cooker for details.

September 3rd: District Governor Miles Petroff will be visiting our Club, followed by the High Desert Fireside on **September 4th!**

"There is no greater honor, no higher calling than the extraordinary opportunity to serve mankind."

District Governor Miles Petroff

Belated Membership Awards...

were given to Dr. Hough (Nov.) and Al Castellucci (Dec., Jan., Feb., Mar., July). Not on hand to get theirs (Russ will present in the future) were Van Young, Ginger Ontiveros, and Eddie Hernandez. Each received a \$25 American Express Gift Card for their efforts to increase our Club's membership.



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WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$25.92

Collected to Date: \$9,456.73

Total equals: 79,947 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

\$14.40 of this week's polio monies were collected in Caroll Yule's "Polio Pig". She's been saving this change in her golf cart! Thanks, Caroll!



BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!

Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an on-going, annual Food Drive, and a recipient organization will be chosen quarterly.





Russ' Rap

There was a last minute change in the program for this week as our speaker was unavailable, and our Victorville City Manager **Doug Robertson** took up the slack. **Russ** thanked him for

Russ was the proud bearer of a brand new shiny Rotary Bell, awaiting it's rightful owner, the Rotary Club of Adelanto. It is on its way to the engraver, then will be presented to President **Stephanie La Ferriere** at the "Charter Night" August 22nd. **Russ** invites all members to attend the festivities and support our new High Desert Rotary Club. Information is on the last page of this newsletter, and the sign-up sheet is going around.

Ben Tafoya and **Steve Murray** are still 4-wheeling this week, so **Russ** made their announcements: Please consider a sponsorship for the Wine, Jazz & More event, our biggest fund raiser, October 5th. We also need WJ&M auction items, and we hope every member gets involved!

Membership: September 3rd we have the District Governor, Miles Petroff, visiting our Club. This will be a great day to bring guests to learn more about Rotary!

Mark Taylor brought a Rotary flag from Branson, Missouri, and presented it to **Russ** with a brief description of the town of Branson.

High Desert Rotary



September 4, 2013

Home of Ron Sugi

LUCKY BLUE MARBLE



All Castellucci tried this week... came up with \$5. Next week: \$750 and only 3 marbles are left!

RAFFLE SESSION:



Mark Taylor played Finemaster this week, after giving away a few raffle items. **Melanie Lovingood** took



home a nice Wine Carrier and Bottle of Wine from **Caroll Yule** and a Wine Aerator from an unknown donor; **Apple Valley Transfer and Storage** Clocks were won by **Team Edson, Stew Anderson, and Hough**. **PrintMart's** Survival Kits went home with **Team Edson** and **Gary Adams**; **Hough's** Lanyard, notebook, and pen went to guest **Mary Hennessey**; a \$25 **Midway Solutions** Gift Card was won by **Team Edson**; Bachelor Kit Baskets from **Apple Valley Transfer & Storage** went to **Marilyn Buttelerwerth** and **Melanie Lovingood**; **Cliff Harris** won a **Le Charreusse** Gem Globe Key Chain, and a Tape Measure from **Hough** was won by **Doug Robertson**. Only three fines were levied by **Mark**: \$10 to **Ron Kabalin** for talking during the fine session; \$10 to **Kevin Kane** for his early departure and \$5 to **Stew Anderson** for not paying attention to the winning numbers.



The beautiful pins shown can be seen on the web site of the manufacturer. Prices vary.

<http://www.tejbrothers.com>.

Contact Margaret with the items you wish to order and she can place a blanket order to save on shipping.



Bill Scott



Scott Turbon Mixer has been designing and manufacturing stainless steel mixers and mixing systems for over 30 years, and specializes in applications for the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, personal care and chemical industries.

VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

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Vocational Service	Jim Barnes
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BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttelwerth

Members-at-Large:

Dwight Johnson • Bob Basen • Rob Kilpatrick • Kevin Porter • Mark Taylor

Positions & Committee Chairs 2013-2014

Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
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Club Activities	Ben Tafoya
Membership.....	Steve Murray
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Scholarships	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More	Ben Tafoya
Cards and Calls	Gaylynn Stringham
Newsletter	Mary Teran

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
Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St.
- WEDNESDAY:** Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto.
San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow,
Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon
University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 2:00 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
Victor Valley Sunrise, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.
- FRIDAY:** San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.



Important Dates

Mark your Calendar!

- Aug 22:** **Adelanto Charter Night**
Wine, Cheese & Beer Event - 6:00 p.m. R&S Beverage (17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto)
- Aug. 24:** **Macy's Shop for a Cause**
Save 25% all day, and enter for a chance to win a \$500 Macy's gift card. See Margaret Cooker for \$5 tickets and details.
- Sept. 4:** **High Desert Rotary Fireside**
Home of Ron Sugi
- Oct. 5:** **Wine, Jazz & More**
Spring Valley Lake Community Building (More info to follow).
- Oct. 28:** **Past President's Meeting - 5:30 -**
Green Tree G.C. Clubhouse

IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR JOSHUA TREE LINK VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO GET ADDED TO THE EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST.

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Aug. 13:** Jason Lamoreaux, Coldwell Banker Comercial R.E. Solutions - **Topic: "State of Commercial Real Estate in the H.D."** (Yule)
- Aug. 20:** Ray Wolfe, Executive Director, SANBAG
Topic: TBA
- Aug. 27:** San Bernardino County Sheriff, John McMahon - **Topic: "Overview, Since I Became Sheriff - Including the Dorner Saga"** (Lucia)

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