



# THE JOSHUA TREE

Rotary

Club of Victorville, CA



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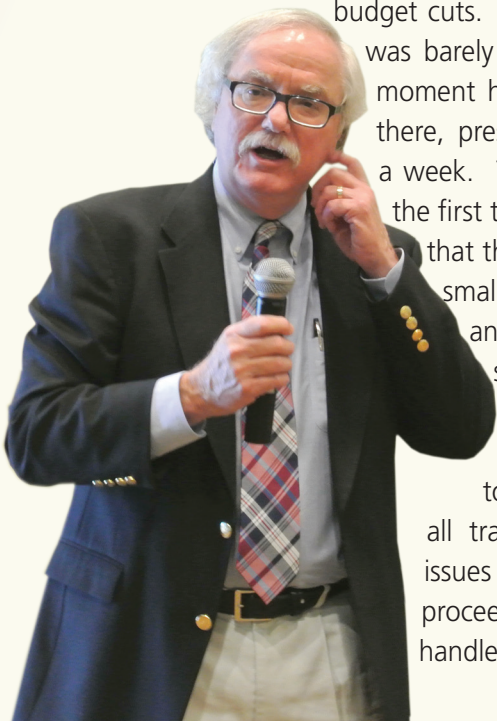
## Buckle Up for Barstow!

Changes are coming to both the Victorville and Barstow Courts according to Judge Raymond Haight, III and Judge Dwight Moore. Judge Haight, who in 2016 will become the Presiding Judge for the San Bernardino County Superior Court, shared that there have been a lot of changes in the court system over the past 3 years. They have had to shrink the court system by 20% due to budget cuts. The Barstow court was barely saved, and at the moment has only one judge there, presiding only 3 days a week. This year has been the first time in a long while that they have received a small amount of money, and will be making some necessary changes. The biggest impact to our area is now all traffic ticket citation issues and small claims proceedings will be only handled in Barstow. That

means if you get a traffic ticket in Victorville, you will have to take care of it in Barstow. As this will be a burden on some, there will be a drive up window in Barstow to handle these traffic tickets and for small claims and to dispute a ticket, you can do all of the preliminary work Online and only have to travel to Barstow once for the trial or hearing.

This move will create more space in the Victorville Courthouse to handle the more serious cases of felony crimes, misdemeanors and family court cases, which handle everything to child custody, to spousal support. As the local system stands right now, there are just too few judges to handle the case loads and this move will allow them to compartmentalize these three departments to handle more cases, settle more cases before going to trial, and helping families in desperate need in the court system throughout the High Desert.

The change is looking to take place on October 13 of this year, so there will be a lot of discussion within the community about this move coming up very quickly. Watch your speed everyone...it will now cost you a drive to Barstow.



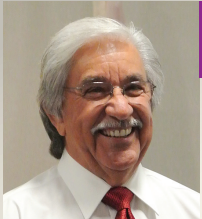
### This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	John Hulterstrom
Flag Salute:	Bob Basen
4-Way Test:	Stew Anderson
Song:	Al Castellucci





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### Tafoya Talk...

Our President (AKA Mr. Lucky), Ben Tafoya, was on hand to welcome all members and guests to this week's meeting.

First order of business was the upcoming Wine, Jazz and More event. **Dwight Johnson** gave an update on a number of areas that members need to pay attention to. Wine Tasting will commence at 5:00pm and Dinner will be served at 6:00pm. Along with our silent auction that night, we will also be having a live auction, with the talented **James Baxter** presiding over the auction, and **Carrol Yule** will be his assistant. A guaranteed fun evening is in store. Some of the live auction items will be great sports memorabilia that are being donated by **Jay Johnstone**, so plan to part with some money that night, all for a great cause!

**Mike Page** reminded everyone of the upcoming Past Presidents Meeting on August 17 at 5:30 at the Green Tree Golf Course. We hope to see a lot of our past leaders there.

**Steve Orr** paid \$5 to let everyone know about the upcoming Ryan Cambridge Golf Tournament, which will be held on Sunday, October 11 at the Apple Valley Golf Course. They are looking for golfers to play, with all proceeds to benefit the Sunset Hills Children's Foundation. The cost to play is \$125 each or a foursome for \$500.

Finally, **Margaret Cooker** also came up to the podium to present **Rick Hampton** from ServPro with his Paul Harris Fellow Pin for his contribution to Rotary International. Thank you Rick for your dedication and generosity!

### The Polio Pig....

**Collected this week: \$21.05**

**Collected to Date: \$12,579.07**

**Total equals: 87,223 Doses!**

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

### Lucky Blue Dice



**Does Lightning really strike twice? It appears so for Ben Tafoya, after winning the big money last week, had his ticket drawn to pull from a fresh batch of 14 dice, and once again picked the Blue Dice and added another \$200 to his wallet!**

**We will start over again next week!**

### Fine Session

Our Fine Master today was **Terry Caldwell**, as he slowly made his way to the podium, a comment was overheard by **Ben Tafoya** referring to Terry as "Cripple", and that earned Ben a \$5 fine. Ben added another \$5 to his fine, by introducing **Doug Robertson** as Doug "Roberts" at this week's meeting. While **Dwight Johnson** was at the front updated the membership about this year's Wine Jazz and More event, he slipped in a bit of a plug for El Dorado, which did not go unnoticed by Terry, who fined Dwight \$5. Unfortunately for Dwight, he couldn't leave well enough alone, and was fined another \$5 for "Whining". **Ron Williams** was fined \$10 for wearing the wrong person's badge. Ron blamed it on the badge box! **Jim Cox** was fined \$10 for "poisoning the ground water" at SCLA, as was **John Kroencke**, who would not give out half price Rams season tickets, *IF* they come back to Los Angeles. **Jon Hove** was fined \$10 after being absent for a few meetings and finally, **Paula Porter** was given a \$5 for cutting of Terry at Ontario Airport and not acknowledging him when he honked his horn at her.

## Rotary Guests

Recent Rotarian **Victor Rocha** handled our guest introductions at this week's meeting. Guests of **Ben Tafoya** were **Bill Thomas**, **Garner Morris** and **Mark Sawyer** from PurePayments. **Kevin Kane** invited **Shea Johnson** from the Daily Press to report on our speaker, and **Ron Williams** brought VVUHS Board Director **Dennis Nugent** and **Jorge Garcia** of Garcia & Associates.

For our "Stand-Ins" this week, **Tony Cooker** attended for **Dr. Hough**, **Violette Roberts** was here for **Eldon Heaston**, **Jose Fernandez** for **Don Lager** and finally **Andrea Pineda** was in attendance for **Rosanne Weathers**.

## July Membership Winner!



**Congratulations to Don Lager our July Membership winner with 25 Points! Along with Don, Steve Murray and Ben Tafoya also had 25 points so we went to a drawing and Don won. Accepting on Don's behalf was Midway employee Jose Fernandez (pictured).**

**For his great work, Don received a \$25 gift card from Costco.**

**Congratulations as well to Steve Orr and Margaret Cooker who received 5 points each.**

## Raffle Prizes

As baseball season wraps up, **Stew Anderson** gave away three pairs of tickets to see the High Desert Mavericks. Tickets went to **Jim Murray** and **Dwight Johnson** who won twice! Not to be outdone, Dwight gave four passes to the buffet at San Manuel Casino, which will be used by **Gary Adams**, **Violette Roberts**, **Paula Porter** and **John Kroencke**. **Jim Cox** and **Ben Tafoya** both went home with coffee mugs from B&B Cycles. Ben was a double winner as he won the lunch bag from Desert Valley Medical Group, and finally Jim Murry was today's luck recipient of **Don Lager's** \$25 gift card from Midway Home Solutions.

## Spoon of Exemption: Rosanne Weathers



**10th Annual High Desert Fitness Challenge**  
STRENGTH.PASSION.PRIDE

DESERT VALLEY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION  
SEPTEMBER 12TH - OCTOBER 3RD

**CHALLENGES INCLUDE:**  
5K Relay · Bike Relay  
Hamster Ball · Obstacle Course  
Tug O War · Golf Tournament  
Zumba · Poker · Softball · Billiards  
Volleyball · Flag Football · Basketball · Bowling · Tennis  
Table Tennis · Bocce Ball  
Pickle Ball · Mall Walk  
HDFitnessChallenge.com

**Andrea Pineda**, had the spoon today to let us all know about the 10th Annual High Desert Fitness Challenge which will be held September 12 - October 3. This event put on the Desert Valley Charitable Foundation is to encourage High Desert residents to adopt a healthier lifestyle within the community. Such events include a 5k Relay, Bike Relay, Obstacle Course, Hammer Balls, Golf Tournament, Softball, Flag Football, Volleyball, Zumba, a Texas Hold em tournament and much more. This event is perfect for companies as well as individuals. For more information email [APineda2@primehealthcare.com](mailto:APineda2@primehealthcare.com).

## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

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Wine, Jazz & More .....	Dan Munsey
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
<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.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## CALENDAR DATES

### Sept. 14: Board of Directors Meeting

5:00 p.m. Fellowship  
5:30 p.m. BOD Club Meeting  
Foundation Meeting Follows  
DCB Board Room  
Hesperia & Silica Road



**15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
**WINE JAZZ & MORE**  
Saturday **3** **2015**  
SPRING VALLEY LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER  
13325 SPRING VALLEY PARKWAY, VICTORVILLE, CA 92395  
6:00 PM • \$40 PER PERSON • \$75 PER COUPLE

## Upcoming Rotary Programs

**Aug. 18: Jim Cox-** Topic: City Government through the Eyes of a Former City manager, Consultant, and now Council Member (Page)

**Aug. 25: Dr. Darshan Patel**  
Topic: Memory Loss (Page)

**Sept. 1: Open**

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