



# The Joshua Tree



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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## WE ARE ALL IMMIGRANTS!

Dino Bozonelos, Political Science Instructor for Victor Valley College, informed the Rotary Club of Victorville about Immigration and its history in America. In addition to teaching, Dino leads the Model United Nations Program. According to Ginger Ontiveros, Executive Director of the Victor Valley College Foundation, Dino is never afraid to tackle difficult issues.

As Dino stated, he feels that political topics are the most diverse and tough topics. His focus in Political Science is directed at religious minority groups across the world. Dino reminds us that immigration is not new to our country; it started way back in 1492, and he showed the various waves that have occurred since that time. Metaphors of these waves begin with the “open” door, and continue through time, including door “ajar” (only letting certain people in), “Dutch” door (allowing only educated and skilled immigrants), and post-9/11, the “Storm” door (blocking immigrations).

Dino showed us how American History is punctuated by the arrival of the various ethnic and religious groups for the last 400 years! He emphasized the fact that only two groups of Americans are not considered immigrants... Native Americans and African Americans. The rest of us are descendants of immigrants!



Dino Bozonelos, Political Science Instructor for VVC

## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Mike Page introduced guests this week. Welcome to Jacquie Lukacsffi (Edson); Tim Smith of Taylion High Desert Academy; Sierra Orr of VVC and A.V. Rotary (Ontiveros); Dominic Woods, Sr., of Goodwill, So. Cal. (Johnson); “Butch” Butcher of A.V. Rotary and Colleen’s husband (Butcher); Steve Peebles of Darcon (Butcher); Cathy Abbott of A.V. Rotary, and Manny Manahan for Rick Hampton. Although not a guest, Mike did mention how nice it was to have Terry Caldwell back with us!

## ★ ATTENTION MEMBERS ★

Ginger Ontiveros advises you to plan to NOT MISS the September 11 off-site Rotary Club Meeting at the Regional Public Safety Center in Apple Valley. There will be a special commemoration of 9/11 by the “First Responders”. More information will be in next week’s newsletter.

### Thank you to today’s Functionaries



- Invocation:** Mark Sawyer
- Flag Salute:** Jim Barnes
- 4-Way Test:** Matt Metzen
- Song:** Doug R. & Carol Y.

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



## Rotarians... are YOUR friends!

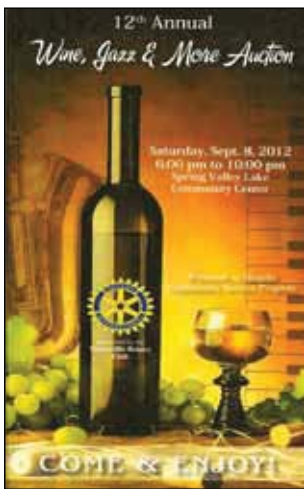
### Rotary's Membership...

The Foundation of Our Club

- Your friend will thank you
- The new Rotarian will thank you
- Your Rotary club will thank you
- Your community will thank you

REMEMBER someone just has to be asked!

### WHAT WE STILL NEED TO MAKE THIS THE BEST EVENT EVER!...



- More Sponsors
- More Donations
- More Tickets Sold
- More Wine Purchased
- More Ads Sold

Simple as that!

## BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!

### YEAR 'ROUND GIVING OPPORTUNITY:

Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an ongoing, annual Food Drive, and a recipient organization will be chosen quarterly. This quarter's recipient was Victor Valley Rescue Mission.



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

Collected this week: \$24.08

Collected to Date: \$8,882.54

Total equals: 78,820 Doses!

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

*Thanks for keeping that can moving, folks!*

## MATT'S RAFFLE SESSION:

Matt Drake ran out of time for fines to Rotarians this week, but there were many nice Raffle items to give away! Charles Gehrke brought a Wonderful Fruit Basket which was won by Donna Wells; LeChartreuse Keychain from Gaylynn Stringham went to Joe Andraesen; a Stack of Hundred Dollar Bills from Midway Home Solutions was by Joe A. also, and Margret Cooker had the opportunity to win five hundred and fifty dollars! Alas, she picked the wrong marble, taking only \$5. Next week there will be only four marbles, and a chance to win \$600.00!!



The Pledge of Allegiance is recited at the outset of most Rotary meetings and yet most of us may be unfamiliar with its origins. The original Pledge of Allegiance, "I pledge allegiance to my flag and the Republic

for which it stands -- One nation indivisible -- with liberty and justice for all," was written in September of 1892 by Francis Bellamy. Twelve million American school children recited it to commemorate the 400-year anniversary of Columbus' voyage.

Congress officially recognized the Pledge of Allegiance in 1942, but in 1943, the Supreme Court ruled that public school students could not be forced to recite it. The words "under God" were added in 1954 by then President Eisenhower, who stated at the time, "In this way we are reaffirming the transcendence of religious faith in America's heritage and future; in this way we shall constantly strengthen those spiritual weapons which forever will be our country's most powerful resource in peace and war."

## President's Circle Advertising

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Platinum: \$ 100

Gold: \$ 50

Bronze: \$ 25



## Russ' Rap

**Russ** gave the mike to Dwight Johnson to remind us of the ongoing food drive. He acknowledged the generosity of Jim Murray and Jean Conrady in recent weeks, bringing in several items each.

**Hough** introduced her Membership Committee, consisting of **Margaret Cooker, Charles Gehrke, Mike Page, Marie Langley, and Al Castellucci**. Something new for membership: The third Tuesday of each month is designated as "Bring a Friend to Rotary", and \$25 American Express Gift Cards will be handed out each month for the member with the most points.

**Steve Murray** is busy selling Wine, Jazz & More tickets. Please note you need to return any unsold tickets prior to the event. Also, if you have offered to donate an item for the Auction and have not yet turned it over to **Steve**, please do so right away... or let him know the nature of your donation. Also, there are more tickets available for the beautiful basket worth over \$500! One last thing... the Committee has tasted the wine that's available (for ONLY \$60/case if you buy two cases and donate one to WJ&M), and it is great wine!! Please, members, don't forget to purchase yours (Merlot, Cabernet, and Chardonnay)!

**Russ** is printing the beautiful Wine, Jazz & More program at no charge to the Club! However, he needs more advertisers. Please, members, consider advertising your business in the program. Contact **Russ** if you can help!

**Dan Dever** has the Annual Calico Run scheduled for the weekend of October 13th. It is a blast, and you don't have to own a 4-wheel vehicle to enjoy the ride. Just contact **Dan** with advance notice, and he'll be sure you get a seat in one of the 4-wheelers. You can come for the day, or camp over the weekend with the group! A sign-up sheet will be coming around at future meetings.

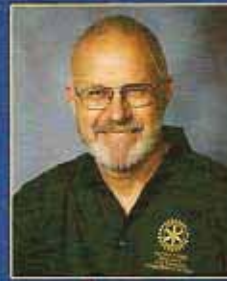
### NOTE:

**The Adelanto Satellite Rotary Club meeting is the 3rd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto, CA**

**Read below for details...**

The Adelanto Satellite Rotary Club plans their first Wednesday of each month meeting at a member's place of business. The second week's meeting is at the Adelanto Chamber of Commerce, third and fourth are listed above, and the fifth Wednesday of each month (if there is one) is dark.

## SPOON OF Exemption



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**

**Charles H. Gehrke (Chuck)**

Club President 2009-2010 District 5300  
Rotary Club of Victorville

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Phelan, CA 92371

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Chuck Gehrke didn't have much time to tout his business this week, but we've enjoyed his fine-free advertising during the month of August!

The September Spoon of Exemption was up for grabs this week, and Doug Robertson started off the bidding with \$50. Carroll Yule attempted to up his bid, but when Doug reminded her that he helped her sing God Bless America, she retracted it. Doug then raised his bid to \$100, and it was deemed **SOLD** by Matt with no hesitation!

[www.victorvillerotary.org](http://www.victorvillerotary.org)

### MAKE UP A ROTARY MEETING ONLINE!

Visit: <http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>



### LUCKY ORANGE MARBLE

Margaret Cooker won a whopping \$5 this week!

Next week = 4 marbles

**\$600.00 !!**

### District Training

**September 15, 2012:** UNLV, School of Law at 4504 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV. Doors open at 8:30, Sessions run from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**September 22, 2012:** University of Phoenix Learning Center at 3110 East Guasti Road, Ontario, CA. Doors open at 8:30, Sessions run from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams

### Members-at-Large:

Dan Dever • Bob Basen • Robert Lovingood • Vito Bello

Past President (2011-12) .....	Charles Gehrke
Incoming President (2013-14) .....	Dr. Hough Everage
President-Elect (2014-15) .....	Steve Murray
President-Elect-Elect (2015-16) ...	<b>Talk to Chuck for interviews</b>

### Current Chair Persons:

Membership .....	Dr. Hough Everage
SongMaster .....	Al Castellucci
Scholarships .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Dwight Johnson
Cards and Calls .....	Gaylynn Stringham
Programs .....	Mike Page
Club Activities .....	Dan Dever
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

<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., Dennies, 14165 Main St.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	Adelanto Club (3rd and 4th Wed.), 11:30 a.m., 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. High Desert, 6:00 P.M. - Los Domingo's Rest., 6:00 p.m. 17790- Hwy. #18, Apple Valley
<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!

**Sept. 8: Wine, Jazz, & More** - Spring Valley  
Lake Community Center - FREE  
wine tasting - 5:30-6:00 p.m.

**Sept. 15: District Foundation, Membership,  
and Public Relations Seminar.**  
UNLV, School of Law, 4504 Maryland  
Parkway, Las Vegas, NV. 9:00 a.m.

**Sept. 14-16: Rotary River Trip**  
Rotary Fellowship on the Colorado River

**Sept. 22: District Foundation, Membership,  
and Public Relations Seminar.**  
University of Phoenix. 8:30 - noon.  
3110 E. Gausti Rd., Ontario

**Oct. 13: Annual Calico Off-Road Trip**

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VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO  
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## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Sept. 4: Kevin Porter & Sharon Page** - Topic:  
"Protect your business and yourself  
from sneaky tricks and confusing, com-  
plex employment laws"
- Sep. 11: Off-Site: Victor Valley College Public  
Safety Center** 19190 Navajo Rd., Apple  
Valley (Ontiveros). Map to follow.
- Sept. 18: Theresa Franke, 2011-12 Rotary Club  
of Chino President.** Topic: Job Cre-  
ation Training in Local Schools Project  
(Business Plan Competition, Youth,  
Community and Vocational Service  
Projects (Hough)

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