

Rotary



The Joshua Tree



September 3, 2019

THE DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT

Tom McCarthy, General Manager of the Mojave Water Agency was at the podium to give us an update on the Delta Conveyance, formerly the California Water Fix.



The Mojave Water Agency (MWA) is just one of 29 State Water Contractors working together to bring this project through to fruition to serve the increasing 27 million Californians. The project begins up Northern California in Lake Orville and travels down the center of California, before splitting off to the Coastal Branch on the West side (Los Angeles) and the East Branch in Lake Perris. Another part of being a State Contractor; the MWA is also a wholesaler supplier of supplemental water to retail companies in the state.

The MWA has another function as Regional Water Managers. In this capacity they are regional planners, making sure there is a reliable water supply for the

long term, not just the near future, and to also ensure the health and sustainability of the ground water system.

In addition to all of this, they are also the State's Water Master, working and setting up controls on how all 29 State Water Contractors will share the water, manage the supply and the import of extra water from the North.

Of course, the MWA is also faced with many challenges. To name just a few, they must deal with many environmental challenges and impact studies on a project of this magnitude, which inevitably lead to lawsuits from different organizations which could delay the project. Along with this there is an increased demand for water in our State, so making this Conveyance a reality is more important than ever. To handle these challenges, they have received a lot of assistance and support from the latest California Governor Gavin Newsom.

The future looks bright for the Delta Conveyance but a lot of work still needs to be done. Tom and his staff at the MWA will continue to work with the State and other Contractors to figure out exactly how it will work, how they will share in the cost of this important water delivery system and how to adapt all of this to the current and future climate changes.

Currently they are conducting cost allocations and figuring out how the project will work. To stay informed with the latest news and information about this project, visit www.mojavewater.org

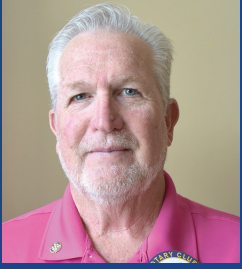
This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation: **Bill Edwards**
- Flag Salute: **Bowtie Brian**
- 4-Way Test: **Don Lager**
- Finemaster: **Jim Barnes**



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ORR'S ROARS



Thanks to MWA's Tom McCarthy for coming out once again to speak to our Club on the latest developments with the Delta Conveyance. I am excited to see how this progresses over the next few years.

Our Casino Royale is just around the corner..and I hope you are ready for a fantastic evening! Next week we should have 50/50 tickets available to sell, as another way to raise funds for the programs and services we support through our Club. We still need volunteers, as well as live & silent auction items for the Casino Royale! We are looking for Rotarians who would like to be a part of the committee and assist in its success! This is our largest fundraiser of the year so we need all hands-on deck! Please see committee chair Bill Edwards for more information.

Please mark your calendars to attend the Rotary Peace Conference on November 16th at Treasure Island in Las Vegas from 8:30am – 1:30pm. Dr. Breda Leach attended last year's conference and raved about it!

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Raffle

Play Ball! At least that's what **Rob Kilpatrick** will say with the 4 pack of Angels baseball ticket he won! **Dwight Johnson** took home a Heritage Pop Socket from **Steve Orr** and a box of VVTA chocolates from **Kevin Kane**. **Donna Wells** will be doing some shopping with the \$25 Midway card she received, courtesy of **Don Lager**, and **Melanie Lovingood** will enjoy a movie night at home with the 2 DVD's she won. Finally, **Ryan McEachron** gave away some laughs in the form of 2 tickets to the Laugh Factory, which will be enjoyed by **Mayor Gloria Garcia**; and trust me she could use a few laughs!

Rotary Guests

Along with school administrators, teachers and parents of S.T.A.R. Students, we welcomed VVTA Operations Manager **Simon Herrera** who attended with **Kevin Kane** and **Sharon Evans**, who was a guest of **Jon Hove**. Joining our speaker we also welcomed **Yvonne Hester** from the Mojave Water Agency.

Our Stand-ins this week were **Melanie Lovingood** for **Robert Lovingood**, **Sarah Rojas** for **Lauretta Tkaczyk** and **Lori Cliftz** for **Jon Hove**.

Fine Session

Jim Barnes was our Fine Master this week and began his session by giving a \$15 fine to **Rob Kilpatrick**! Rob was fined three times at \$5 each for making everyone wait on Hole 17 at the SVL Golf Course this past weekend, making a sandwich for only himself, and for wearing no badge. **Ben Tafoya** was also given a \$15 penalty for not being at the Rotary meeting this week and finally, **Ryan McEachron** was charged \$10 for general purposes.

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Big Blue Dice



Teresa DeAtley got the chance for the Blue Dice and big money, but drew a white and gave her \$5 back into the Pig. We will continue next week with 12 dice and \$250 for the Rotarian who can pick the Blue Dice out of the bag.

Spoon of Exemption

Mike Page had his first week with the Spoon and used his time to promote the upcoming 28th Annual St. Mary Gala which will be held on October 9th at the Hilton Garden Inn. This year they are raising funds for 12 stationary and 30 mobile cardiac monitors to catch heart issues faster and in the process, to save more lives!



One way they are raising money is through some great opportunity drawings including a \$575 Disney gift card (\$25/ticket), trip for 2 to Hawaii (\$35/ticket) and a \$5,000 Midway Home Solutions Makeover (\$50/ticket)! Contact **Lezli Roberts** at 760-946-8189 for more information.

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$42.00

Polio Pig: \$37.00 + Dice (Teresa DeAtley): \$5.00 = \$42.00

Collected to Date: \$16,618.10

Total equals: 94,408 Doses!

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

S.T.A.R. Students

This week we honored our first set of S.T.A.R. Students for the 2019-2020 school year by acknowledging kids from the Brentwood School of Environmental Studies and the Challenger School of Sports and Fitness. Hosted by Jim Barnes and on hand to pass out certificates, we welcomed **Kimberly Mesen** from Congressman Cook's office, **Susan Drake** from Supervisor Robert Lovingood's office, **Chris Scott** from Assemblyman Obernolte's office and Victorville **Mayor Gloria Garcia**.



From Brentwood we honored **Naranjo Emanuel** for showing major improvements over all his academic areas, **Fernando Sotelo** for showing

strong leadership and educational growth, and **Bihaney Ulloa** for her dedication in handling difficult tasks through steadfast and unwavering determination.

Over at Challenger we recognized **Brent Dansby** for his improved social skills with his fellow students



and jumping 2 grade levels in his reading, in just one year!

Justine Rivera was honored for her strength in not only improved academics, but all while battling Cancer! Finally, **Eyineja Winn** was a S.T.A.R. student for her hard work in controlling her anger and overall improvement in her behavior!





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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, Rositas, 540 Main St, 12:00 p.m.
THURSDAY:	Apple Valley, Rusty Bull, AV, 1st, 2nd and 4th Thurs 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

Sept 21: **Casino Royale Club Fundraiser**
Wine Tasting: 5pm • Dinner: 6pm
Spring Valley Lake Community Center

May 1-3 2020: **Assembly and District Conference**
Assembly May 1, Conference May 1-3
Westin Pasadena
191 N Los Robles Ave.
Pasadena, CA 91101
(626) 792-2727

Upcoming Rotary Programs

Sept 10: Trina Siverts, Publisher Mojave River Valley News and Bo Goulet, Shear Realty (Mojave River Valley Alliance) **TOPIC: "The Mojave River Valley: Rebranding our name"** (Page)

Sept 17: ROUTE 66 - Don Lager

Sept 24: San Bernardino County District Attorney Jason Anderson **TOPIC: "Our New District Attorney: Changes and new programs"** (Page)

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