

The *Award Winning* Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

Sept. 23, 2014

## SANBAG - Governments Working Together



San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) is an association of local San Bernardino County governments. It is the metropolitan planning organization for the county, with policy makers consisting of mayors, council members, and county supervisors, and the funding agency for the county's transit systems. Dr. Ray Wolfe became the Executive Director of SANBAG in April of 2012, after spending more than 20 years with CalTrans. He holds degrees in the fields of mechanical and civil engineering. He is grateful to the voters who twice approved Measure I sales tax, through which the projects featured in his Power Point presentation are funded.

The presentation reviewed a few of these projects which directly affect our high desert. The Mesa/Nisqually Interchange opened August 13, 2014. The "infamous" Ranchero Bridge Overpass should be open by December 14th (and has been a thorn in Dr. Wolfe's side since the bridge fire May 15th). There is reconfiguration being done at the Devore junction of the I-15 and the I-215, which should fix the problem of slow merging trucks. Other projects Dr. Wolfe discussed included the Highway 395 widening, the Yucca Loma Bridge, and the Cajon Pass rehabilitation project.

Dr. Wolfe spent a moment on the High Desert Corridor project, stating one of the positives would be alternative uses that exist through that corridor. We thank Dr. Wolfe for his time and answering questions from the audience.



## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Rosanne Weathers introduced SANBAG guests: Andrea Zureick, Carrie Schindler, Nancy Stickert, and Nancie Goff. Welcome also to Steven Riggs and Aaron Moore of VVTA (Kane), Holly Noel (for Eldon Heaston), Todd Eves, Out of this World BBQ (for Bill Scott), reporter Gary Brodeur (for Steve Hunt) and Manny Manahan (for Rick Hampton).

### *Thank you to today's Functionaries*



<b>Invocation:</b>	Van Young
<b>Flag Salute:</b>	Mary Hennessy
<b>4-Way Test:</b>	Mark Taylor
<b>Song:</b>	Al Castellucci

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

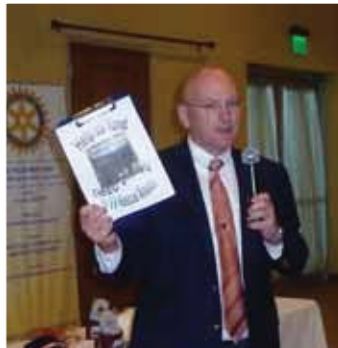


## Steve Sez...

**Brad Letner** explained that the Community Service Committee met and determined a great need at the Victor Valley Rescue Mission for a freezer to store large amounts of donated meat. We are shy \$1,400 of the grant monies available, and **Brad** appeals to members to donate to this need, right here in our own community.

This week was a perfect opportunity to congratulate **Brad** on his recent position as President/C.E.O. of the Hesperia Chamber of Commerce!

**Jim Barnes** is heading up the Teacher Mini-Grant Program, reminding members to please support this huge effort by our Club to recognize teachers in our schools. The Mini-Grants will be handed out at our Rotary meeting on October 21st.



**Russ Stringham** reported on the joint Fireside with District Governor Larry Skaggs and about 50 Rotarians. \$440 was raised for the D.G.'s water project in Mexico. A few of our Club members met with the Rotary Club of Ensenada this past weekend. **Russ** stated that we are getting closer with our water project, and hope for completion by the end of **Steve's** year.

President **Steve** thanked all who attended the Sept. 16th meeting and supported him for our visit with the District Governor. He also brought in a nice hand-written letter from Roger Schulte, past D.G. for our support of Roto-plast. **Steve** reported this Rotary Basics class was by far the best he's been to in four years, and looks forward to some very good changes to be made.

**President Steve** announced the date for the 2015 District Conference...

**May 14 - 17**

**Henderson, NV**



## LUCKY BLUE DICE

Mark McKay took a stab at this week's dice, worth only \$5.

Next week:

**\$225 / 13 Dice**



## October Member Birthdays

Steve Hunt	Oct. 9
Mark Taylor	Oct. 11
Stew Anderson	Oct. 11
Ron Wilson	Oct. 12
Jon Hove	Oct. 14
Kirk Riding	Oct. 16
Jim Cox	Oct. 19
Gary Adams	Oct. 20
Mary Hennessy	Oct. 21

## October Partner Birthdays

Pam (Steve) Murray	Oct. 8
Carrie (David) North	Oct. 13
Lily (Chico) Garza	Oct. 16
Robert (Jennifer) Starbuck	Oct. 22
Amanda (Dan) Munsey	Oct. 30

## Wedding Anniversaries

Chico & Lily Garza	Oct. 5
Rick & Lisa Hampton	Oct. 7
Erin & Brandt Scott-Kuhn	Oct. 12
Gene & Kay Marie Gregory	Oct. 16
Stew & Diane Anderson	Oct. 17
Kimberly & Michael Ramirez	Oct. 20
Matt & Susan Drake	Oct. 27

## Club Anniversaries

Buck McKeon	Oct. 1
Jerry Lundberg	Oct. 2
Tracy Walters	Oct. 21
Ron Wilson	Oct. 21
Cynthia Burden	Oct. 22
John Hulterstrom	Oct. 23
Vickie Cabriaes	Oct. 27
Felix Diaz	Oct. 27
Chris Espinoza	Oct. 27

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In the Sept. 16th Joshua Tree, Dr. Hough was inadvertently listed as a "new" Paul Harris Fellow. She has actually been a member of the Paul Harris Society since she became a Rotaran, annually giving \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation. My error; sorry, Hough.



## PROPOSED MEMBERS

Approved for publication by BOD E-poll Sept. 23, 2014

### Lori Burns

Administrator, Victor Valley Global Medical Center

Classification: Education: Administration: Medical Center

Sponsor: Dwight Johnson

Approved for publication by BOD E-poll Sept. 24, 2014

### Christian Granados

Manager, Walgreens

Classification: Retail: Store Manager

Sponsor: Al Castellucci

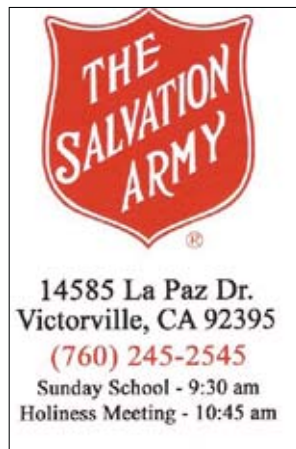
***Note:** If you protest the admission of these proposed members, please submit your reason(s) in writing to President Steve Murray to be received by 5:00 p.m. October 6*

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Captain Van tells us the Salvation Army is "doing the most good" with whatever monetary or other items they receive. Salvation Army pay scales are quite low, and not much money is spent on advertising. Nationwide, 82 cents of each dollar received goes to the communities served by the S.A.! Van is giving his 5th week of Spoon exemption to Brad to tout what the Hesperia Chamber is up to. Nice, Van!

Van Young



## FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



**Ryan McEachron** returned as Fine-Master this week with some heavy hitting. **Brad Letner's** new job with the Hesperia Chamber got him a \$50 fine; **Caroll Yule's** company sold "a hundred and something" homes this year, so was hit for "a hundred or something" dol-

lars; **David North's** fine was \$30 for funding three commercial loans (3 X \$10); **Ron Kabalin's** retirement brought him a \$10 fine; **Kevin Kane's** promotion of the program earned a \$10 fine; **Mark Taylor's** correct "equinox" answer was worth \$10, and **Gene Gregory** was hit for \$5 for sponsoring **Ryan** into the club.



On to some raffling, nice **Gentiva** Gift Bags from **Mary Hennessy** were won by **Donna Wells** and **Hough**; **Desert Valley Hospital** Mugs of Goodies went to **Mark Taylor** and **Mary Hennessy**; **Bob's Tire Gauge** and **Auto Zone Cap** from **President Steve** went home with **Holly Noel**; **Hough's Piggy Bank** was won by **Marilyn Buttelwerth**; **Hough's Sleeve of Pink Golf Balls** went home (happily) with **Caroll Yule**; **Hough's Book** was won by **Gary Adams**, and **Mark McKay** had his first opportunity to draw from the dice bag, netting him a mere \$5.



MORE CONVENIENT AND SUSTAINABLE THAN FLASH LIGHTS! SAFER AND BRIGHTER THAN CANDLES AND KEROSENE LANTERNS!

Clear: \$16.20

Frosted: \$22.14

Colors: \$27.54

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

Collected this week: \$14.00

Collected to Date: \$11,624.79

Total equals: 85,999 Doses!

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



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President .....	Steve Murray
Immediate Past President .....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary & Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker
Incoming President/Membership .....	Ben Tafoya
Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane
Club Service & President 2016-17 .....	Dwight Johnson
Community Service .....	Brad Letner
Youth Service .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Vocational Service .....	Jim Barnes
International .....	Dan Dever
Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker

### Members-at-Large:

Rob Kilpatrick • Mark Taylor

### Positions & Committee Chairs 2014-2015

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Sergeant At Arms .....	Gary Adams
SongMaster .....	Al Castellucci
Club Activities .....	Dwight Johnson
Membership .....	Ben Tafoya
Programs .....	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane / Dwight Johnson
Scholarships .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Dwight Johnson
Cards and Calls .....	Pam Murray
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 Rotaract, 2nd Mon., VVC Student Activities.
<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. University Prep Interact Club, 1:45 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	Adelanto Club meets 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wed. at R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto Rd., Adelanto, 7 a.m.; 2nd Wed. at Chamber Rm., Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m.; 5th Wed. dark.  San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 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, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



### Important Dates

## Mark your Calendar!

- Sept. 27:** Calico Off-Road Trip - Contact Dan Dever for details (760) 963-2198.
- Sept. 27:** Salvation Army Victor Valley Celebration Dinner & Silent Auction High Desert Events Center - 5:30
- Oct. 9:** FIRESIDE - Home of Stew & Diane Anderson - 18259 Deauville Drive, Spring Valley Lake

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

- Sept. 30:** Carol Yule, Owner / Broker, Shear Real Estate - Topic: "Has the Market Changed?" (Page) / S.T.A.R. Students
- Oct. 7:** Rory Shannon - Topic: "The Future of Freddie & Fannie" (Yule)
- Oct. 14:** Off-Site - Excelsior Charter School Spring Valley Parkway
- Oct. 21:** Teacher Mini-Grants
- Oct. 28:** Robert Lovingood, First District Supervisor, San Bernardino County. Topic: "S.B. County Government: Behind the Scenes (Page) / S.T.A.R. Students

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