



# The Joshua Tree



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## HIGH DESERT CORRIDOR UPDATE

Roberto Machuca, Transportation Planning Manager for L.A. County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, was this week's speaker, updating Rotary on the High Desert Corridor. The High Desert Corridor (HDC) project proposes the construction of a new, approximately 63-mile, east-west freeway/expressway linking State Route (SR)-14 in Los Angeles County with SR-18 in San Bernardino County. This new freeway/expressway connection would link some of the fastest residential, commercial and industrial growth areas in Southern California, including the cities of Palmdale, Lancaster, Adelanto, Victorville and the Town of Apple Valley.



There is little financial support currently for the project; however, supporters are banking on a series of public/private partnerships to bring the long-awaited project to fruition. At this time there are a total of 13 agencies/partners involved in this huge project, which will place the infrastructure that will address transportation needs through 2040. The growth forecast for the Victor and Apple Valleys is to add 1.5 million residents by 2030! Provided funding options materialize, the target date for completion of the HDC is some time in 2020.

The biggest question Robert gets is, "Why the H.D. Corridor?" His answer is three-fold: (1) to address significant regional growth and increase roadway capacity; (2) improve goods movement connections; and (3) improve safety.

There are many alternatives and variations to consider, and if you would like a closer look, visit the website: <http://www.metro.net>.



Rotarians paired with 3rd graders this week from Brentwood Elementary School's Career Exploration Program

## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Welcome to Breana Luna, daughter of Sandra; Principal Robert Hill of the Discovery School of the Arts; Louise Bevilagua of DCB (North); Carl Coleman of the Mojave Water District and

PP of Rotary Club of Victorville; Laurie Hunter of HDC JPA (DeAtley) and Jackie Lukacsffi (Edson).

We also welcomed all family and faculty who came in support of our special students.



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

## S.T.A.R. Awards

This week we honored three recipients of the Rotary S.T.A.R. Awards (Striving To Achieve Results). The following students have made a significant improvement in their G.P.A., attitude, or attendance.

**Aurora Wilson - Discovery School of the Arts**

**Anthony Amplavo - Del Rey Elementary School**

**Jeffrey Taranto - Challenger School of Sports/Fitness**

The awards were presented by President Russ Stringham and Principal Robert Hill on behalf of Interim-Superintendent Jan Gonzales.

### PROPOSED MEMBER

*Approved for publication at a special BOD meeting Sept. 25, 2012*

**Janette Wehrmann**

Coldwell Banker

Position: Senior Sales Assoc.

Sponsor: Danielle Moore

Classification: Real Estate: Commercial

*Note: If you protest the admission of this member to the Adelanto Satellite Club, please notify President Russ Stringham in writing by October 9th, 2012*

**Thank you, Rotarians for graciously hosting our students: Jim Cox, Marie Langley, Jim Barnes, Donna Wells, Mehdi Mostamedi, and Hough.**

### Home of Butch & Colleen Butcher

19985 Crow Rd. AV  
(Cross street: Chickesaw)



#### Pot Luck

“Fall Comfort Foods”

6-8 p.m.

760-245-8816

Map will follow soon

## 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.



## Thank you to today's Functionaries



**Invocation:** Van Young

**Flag Salute:** Kevin Kane

**4-Way Test:** Vito Bello

**Song:** Al Castellucci

## RAFFLE SESSION:

**Mark Taylor** returned as Finemaster this week, but actually fined only one member... **David North**, who was hit for \$10 while rattling off baseball stats. Nice raffle prizes were given away: Millenium Pocket Knife from **PrintMart** went to **Jon Edson**, as did **Hough's** Magnifier and “Hangie”. **Mark Layton** took home a colorful Vase from **Hough**, and **Hough's** “Be Blessed” book. Classic Carmel Corn from **Jennifer Starbuck** went to **Jon Edson**; and Chardonnay from **Paula Porter** was won by **Margaret Cooker**. **Hough** tried to win the \$300 pot, but took home only \$5.



## SPOON OF Exemption

**Vito Bello** won the auction for the October “Spoon”, over **Jim**

**Burns** and **Dwight Johnson**. He gets 5 Tuesdays of shameless advertising for \$150.00!



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Doug listed the many accomplishments that the city of Victorville has made over the past years, and particularly through these rough times. “We are headed upward”, says Doug ... AND with a balanced budget!





## Russ' Rap

**Teresa DeAtley** introduced and welcomed guests; there were a bunch.

**Vito Bello** was given the opportunity to announce an invitation to Rotarians to attend the J.C. Penney's "Sneak Peak" Multi-Chamber Mixer on October 2nd from 4 to 7 p.m. Contact **Vito** for more information. RSVP by September 24th to Nancy Chamblar at 760-241-3149 or nancy.chamblar@macerich.com.

**Dwight Johnson** is looking for more canned goods/dry foods, especially in light of the upcoming holidays. Keep bringing them in, folks!

**Hough** acknowledged the four Rotarians who attended the Foundation training to allow our Club to receive grants. In addition to **Hough**, **Vito Bello**, **Alicia Anderson**, and **Ginger Ontiveros** attended. Thanks for stepping up, folks!

Our Club is consistently recognized for attendance, and is based on a point system. **Hough's** contest winners for July and August were: **Hough** (330 points) and **Charles Gehrke** (155 points). Both received a \$25 American Express Card. **Hough** donated her \$25 to **Margaret's** Polio Can, and **Charles** will receive his card the next time he attends. Congratulations, and keep bringing in those guests! We only need 10 more members to reach our goal!

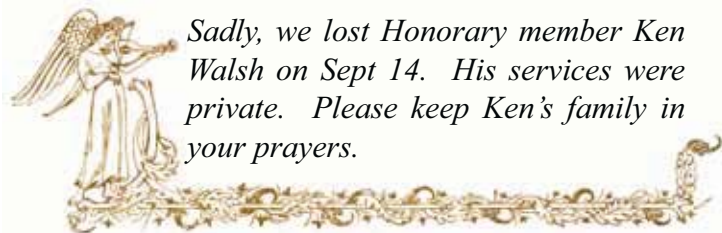
President **Russ** announced the Hesperia Rotary Club's Rummage Sale on October 13th. They are looking for items to be donated. Visitor **Carl Coleman** announced the October 20th Annual Chili Cook-off. **Russ** is looking for two Rotarians to man our booth from 10-3. We also need another chili cook!



### LUCKY ORANGE MARBLE

**Hough** tried to win big, but took home only \$5!

**Next week - 12 Marbles \$350 !!**



*Sadly, we lost Honorary member Ken Walsh on Sept 14. His services were private. Please keep Ken's family in your prayers.*



# Rotary Celebrations!

## October Member Birthdays

Paul Earle	Oct. 3
Donna Landry	Oct. 6
Amy Byrnes	Oct. 10
Ken Chambers	Oct. 10
Stew Anderson	Oct. 11
Mark Taylor	Oct. 11
Dave Leicht	Oct. 12
Ron Wilson	Oct. 12
Jon Hove	Oct. 14
Kirk Riding	Oct. 16
Jim Cox	Oct. 19
Gary Adams	Oct. 20
Nelda Colvin	Oct. 26

## October Partner Birthdays

Irma (Rick) McDowell	Oct. 5
Diane (Stew) Anderson	Oct. 11
Carrie (David) North	Oct. 13
Robert (Jennifer) Starbuck	Oct. 22
Jeanette (Chuck) Gehrke	Oct. 30

## Wedding Anniversaries

Steve & Eryn Wingert	Oct. 6
Dave & Mary Leicht	Oct. 8
Gene & Kay Marie Gregory	Oct. 16
Stew & Diane Anderson	Oct. 17
Kimberly & Michael Ramirez	Oct. 20
Matt & Susan Drake	Oct. 27

## Club Anniversaries

Jerry Lundberg	Oct. 1
Buck McKeon	Oct. 1
Ginger Ontiveros	Oct. 1
Mike Rothschild	Oct. 15
Cynthia Burden	Oct. 22
John Hulterstrom	Oct. 23
Vickie Cabriales	Oct. 27

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

**Collected this week: \$44.70**

**Collected to Date: \$8,903.16**

**Total equals: 78,861 Doses!**

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

**Thanks for keeping that can moving, folks!**



# President's Circle

## Platinum Members

### Jon Edson



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## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

President .....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer .....	David North
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Club Service .....	Steve Murray
Community Service .....	Dwight Johnson
New Generations .....	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational .....	Joe Andreasen
International .....	Ben Tafoya
Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker
Recording Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttlerwerth
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!

**Oct. 4:** **Fireside** - Home of Butch & Colleen Butcher. Pot Luck. 6-8 p.m. 19985 Crow Rd., Apple Valley

**Oct. 13:** **Annual Calico Off-Road Trip**  
Contact Dan Dever for info.

**Oct. 20:** **Shot Clinic** - Need volunteers from 8:15 a.m. to approx. 1 p.m. St. Mary Community Svc., Highway 18

**Annual Chili Cook-off / Apple Valley Fall Festival 10-4** - need volunteers from 9-4. Lenny Brewster Sports Center. 21024 Otoe Rd., AV

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## UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

<b>Oct. 2:</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>
<b>Oct. 9:</b>	<b>Teacher Mini Grants</b> (Andreasen)
<b>Oct. 16:</b>	<b>Joe Brady, BRADCO</b>
<b>Oct. 23:</b>	<b>Program T.B.A. / Interact Students S.T.A.R. Awards/Brentwood students</b>
<b>Oct. 30:</b>	<b>Off-Site: Pacific Aviation Group</b> 18499 Phantom West, Bldg. #17
<b>Nov. 6:</b>	<b>TLC - Program T.B.A.</b>
<b>Nov. 13:</b>	<b>District Governonr, Sylvia Whitlock</b> Topic: Rotary International Foundation Program, Community Service Paul Harris Awards (Coker)

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