



The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

September 27, 2011

District Governor Doug Fowler greets Victorville Rotarians

District Governor Doug Fowler paid his official visit to the Rotary Club of Victorville, saying that if he doesn't know each of us, he knows OF us. A short bio: Doug's banking career of almost 34 years included 14 years in San Diego County before relocating to the High Desert in 1989. Doug has been an active member of the Rotary Club of Apple Valley since 1995. In his tenure with the Rotary Club of Apple Valley, he has filled many leadership roles, including Club President and Rotarian of the Year in both 2000 and 2004. Doug started the Teacher Mini-Grant program for the Rotary Club of Apple Valley and has spearheaded Apple Valley's co-sponsorship in matching grants to Mexico and Turkey. His wife, Deborah, is an elementary school teacher and past president of the Rotary Club of Victor Valley Sunrise.

Doug describes Rotary as a "multi-faceted organization with many ways to contribute for a better global impact". He emphasized some of International Rotary President Kalyan Banerjee's Rotary goals: His first priority in Rotary is family, and secondly, to "exercise continuity". He wants to see Rotary do bigger, better, and bolder projects. "We need to build on our successful projects, and expand upon them to reach more people in the future."

Doug is proud to be part of the Rotary Zone that is ranked #1 in the World for Polio Contributions, and #2 for Total Contributions! Rotary projects of interest to Doug include the Wheelchair Project, "This Close" (Polio eradication), GSE, and Rotoplast. He encourages members to attend this year's District Conference, which will be held at the newly renovated Lake Arrowhead Resort.



D.G. Doug Fowler receives his book dedication to the Victorville Library from President Charles, and is pictured below with International Rotary President Kalyan Banerjee and his wife, Binota.



Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation:	David North
Flag Salute:	Todd Sturges
4-Way Test:	Don Lager
Song:	Al Castellucci

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



CHP Commander Todd Sturges shared some of what his day entails as a California Highway Patrolman. Todd's been on the force for 25 years, and tells us it's way more than writing tickets and taking accident reports. CHP is

merged with the state police, and now provides protection at the state capitol and also investigates all crimes on state properties as well as traffic responsibilities. Thanks, Todd, for shedding a light on your average work day!



Vito Bello beat out Steve Murray for the October Spoon of Exemption. His final bid was \$100.00!

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Welcome to Don Brown, Executive Assistant Governor and Past President of Victor Valley Sunrise Rotary Club.



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Don Lager announced a special "Trade In Sale" whereby you may get credit (up to \$500) for used appliances purchased at Midway (prior to this sale, of course).

The Membership Contest is on... Bring your potential Rotary Club members...



WHAT'S THE FREE GUEST PASS?

Simple...

- ✓ Bring in a member; give them a membership packet... get a card.
- ✓ When the guest brings a completed packet... get a card.
- ✓ Upon induction of the "qualified" guest... get a card.

At the end of each quarter, members holding cards for qualified new members will be playing poker.

At the end of the year, the member who brought in the most qualified new members will receive \$300, to be used toward dues, Paul Harris, etc.



Imagine being served a gourmet five-course dinner (with drinks) for six people by Chef Matt Drake and his lovely wife, Susan!

You will have just that opportunity when you bid on it at the Wine, Jazz & More Auction October 15th!

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$20.82

Collected to Date: \$7,980.03

Total equals: 77,173 Doses!

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



Notes from Charles

President Charles is working to keep our Club healthy, and this week's topic is "exercise", and it may be the key to aging well. He suggests "walking behind the motorhome for a few miles"! His Happy Birthdays this week go to **Bob Basen** and **Jon Edson**, and they received a rousing rendition of "Happy Birthday To You" from their fellow Rotarians.

Charles tells us things are working well in preparations for Wine, Jazz & More, our biggest fund raiser of the year. There are 20 lots of items being auctioned off. Please plan to participate in this very fun event. You can purchase tickets at Rotary meetings.

Dan Dever has tickets for the 50/50, with the potential of winning \$5,000! Get yours before they're gone, and pick some up to sell to your friends and business associates!

Get your tickets before they're sold out!



Russ Stringham is asking for volunteers for set up and clean up for the Wine, Jazz & More Auction. Those volunteering will pay only \$15 for their ticket (includes dinner and one drink). See **Russ** for more information.

Advertisement in the Wine, Jazz & More Program is reasonable, and not only helps out our Rotary charities, but offers great Rotary credibility to your business! See **Russ Stringham** to place your ad. PrintMart is printing this beautiful program at **no charge** to Rotary! Thanks, **Russ**!

Dan Dever invites members to the Calico Off-Road Trip on Saturday, October 1st. If you missed the sign-up sheet, contact **Dan** at 963-2198 to be sure to get your space. There is also camping available on Friday evening.

Ben Tafoya, "Wine Guy", is seeking wine donations for the Wine, Jazz & More. A case of wine is \$120, and this give you one case, and one case for the Auction! Please consider what you can offer to assist in this great fund raising event! Contact **Ben** at 760-954-3020.

Past President **Teressa** is looking for nominations for Club President for the year 2014-15, and Australia is the host country for the International Rotary Conference. The deadline for application is October 15th.



LUCKY WHITE MARBLE

Next week...

7 marbles and \$450!

Margaret's Polio Can got lucky again this week, as Margaret contributed her big winnings... \$5!

RAFFLE AND FINE SESSION:

Matt Drake was generous in his praise of all the good Rotary does throughout the world, and thanked District Governor Doug for his efforts. **Matt** recollected how he and **Al Castellucci** joined **Jim Murray** in his motorhome many years ago to deliver some wringer-washing machines to the Ensenada Orphanage.



Raffle prizes today: **Margaret Cooker** won St. Mary's Hospital (**Marie Langley**) Bottle of Asti Wine; **Donna Wells** took home a **Free Day of Golf at S.V.L.C.C.**; **Gary Adam's** Candy Jar went to **Jon Edson**, and **Gary** took home a \$25 **Midway Gift Card** in exchange! **Don Lager** took home Carmel Corn from **Charles Gehrke**, and **Peggy Pope's** Cameo Key Holder went to **Ron Kabalin**. **Margaret Cooker** had the opportunity to win \$400, but only netted \$5, which went directly to the Polio Can.



Fines were levied on **Todd Sturges** (\$10), "It's your fault I'm here", blamed **Matt**, speaking of being saved by a CHP Officer when he almost drowned as a boy. One more fine was handed out; this one to **Jennifer Starbuck**, \$10, with the promise of a service call on her copier. **Matt** enjoyed telling the story of his grandmother, who worked the family business 'till she was 89 years old!

Wine, Jazz & More



ATTENTION ROTARY MEMBERS...

We need to sell more tickets! Get yours soon, and purchase several to give to friends or business associates, or take some on "consignment".

VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

President Charles Gehrke
 Treasurer David North
 Executive Secretary Margaret Cooker
 Club Service Dr. A. L. Hough-Everage
 Community Service David Leicht
 Youth Service Rob Kilpatrick
 Vocational
 International Ben Tafoya
 Foundation Margaret Cooker
 Recording Secretary Marilyn Buttelwerth
 Sergeant At Arms..... Gary Adams

Members-at-Large:

Dan Dever • Robert Lovingood • Steve Murray • Ginger Ontiveros

Past President (2010-11) Teresa DeAtley
 Incoming President (2012-13) Russ Stringham
 President-Elect (2013-14) Dr. A. L. Hough-Everage
 President Nominee (2014-15)

Current Chair Persons:

New Generations..... Rob Kilpatrick / Bob Basen
 Membership Russ Stringham
 SongMaster Al Castellucci
 Scholarships Ginger Ontiveros
 Publicity/Public Relations Charles Gehrke
 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 Grumpy Golfer, 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
 High Desert, Domingo's Rest., 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY: 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. - Yoshi Sushi, 14177
 Kentwood Blvd., Victorville
THURSDAY: 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.
FRIDAY: San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.



Important Dates

Mark your Calendar!

Sept. 30 - Calico Off-Road Trip

Oct. 2 Contact Dan Dever if you'd like to attend @ 760-963-2198.

Oct. 15 **Wine, Jazz & More** - *Our Club's biggest fundraiser. Need raffle prizes!*

Oct. 22 **Immunization Clinic - Volunteers needed at 8:15 - Yucca Loma School**

Nov. 13 **Rotary Peace Conference**, Palm Springs Convention Center
 1:00 - 4:30 PM. See website:
<http://www.district5300.org>

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UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

Oct. 4 **Panel Discussion - Topic: "How High Desert Leaders are Re-engineering its Workforce--STEAM 2020"** (Dr. Marsden)

Oct. 11 San Bernardino County First District Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt - **Topic: "The New First District, Redistricting"** (Page)

Oct. 18 **State Senator Sharon Runner** (Page)

Oct. 25 **Interact Symposium** (Kilpatrick)

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