

The Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Victorville

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## VICTOR VALLEY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION AUTHORITY PROJECT

The VVWRA General Manager, Logan Olds, explained to the Rotary Club of Victorville how a storm disaster in 2010 initiated a current huge project in the north end of Mojave Narrows. Excessive rain water flowing through the Mojave River caused sand and debris to infiltrate the system in the Upper Narrows area causing a blockage. As a result, a mixture of river water and wastewater was released below the surface of the Mojave River.

In the eight days following the discovery of the damaged pipe, VVWRA built a temporary emergency bypass to circumvent the damaged section of pipeline. It took roughly 5,000 feet of pipe and the construction of a pipe bridge to complete the project. According to Logan, it was a major feat for the bureaucracies of the Army Corp. of Engineers, Fish & Game, combined with the California Environmental Quality Act/National Environmental Protection Act, etc. to grant the VVWRA approval to begin cleaning up the mess so hastily (generally a five-year permitting process).

The VVWRA Board of Commissioners has approved a plan to repair the damaged pipeline by taking it out of the river and tunneling

through the Upper Narrows. The scope of this project is practically immeasurable, and will be an ongoing project for the next nine months (approximately).

It is scheduled for completion by mid- 2014, and will affect those traveling through the downtown Victorville area of D Street and the Narrows in early spring of next year. Get ready, folks, for some major roadway diversions and traffic congestion in an area already overwhelmed traffic-wise.



Logan Olds, General Manager,  
Victor Valley Water Reclamation Authority

## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Caroll Yule introduced guests this week. We welcomed Matt Hunt of the CHP, sitting in for Todd Sturges; Jose Sandovel, sitting in for Don Lager of Midway Appliance; Olivia Warren,

Roteract member from VVC (Ontiveros); Logan Olds (Speaker) and Ryan Orr, of the Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority (Ontiveros); Gary Moore of Alaska USA Credit Union, and Tony (Margaret) Cooker.

### Thank you to today's Functionaries



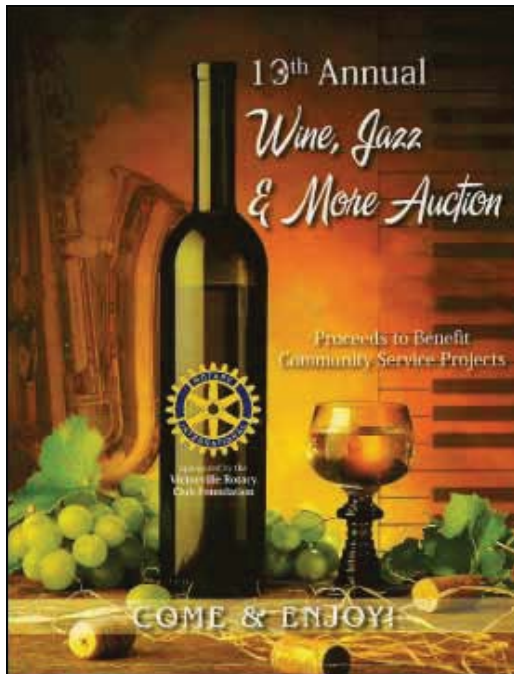
<b>Invocation:</b>	Mark Sawyer
<b>Flag Salute:</b>	Todd Turoci
<b>4-Way Test:</b>	Bob Basen
<b>Song:</b>	Al Castellucci

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



Mark Sawyer takes his framed photo and newspaper article back to the Boys and Girls Club of the Victor Valley to hang on the wall, replacing the taped-on cut out newspaper article currently gracing that wall. This was a memorable event for the Boys and Girls Club, and framed especially for them.

**Thank you to all Club members who have donated and are participating in the upcoming Wine, Jazz & More event! Things are coming together, and we hope to see you all there!**



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**1 Pantry Item = 1 Raffle Ticket**

## Past Presidents Meeting



Oct. 28 - 5:30 p.m. - G.T. Clubhouse



# Rotary Celebrations!

## October Member Birthdays

Stew Anderson	Oct. 11
Mark Taylor	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
Steve Kim	Oct. 26

## October Partner Birthdays

Pam (Steve) Murray	Oct. 8
Carrie (David) North	Oct. 13
Robert (Jennife) Starbuck	Oct. 22
Won Sil (Steve) Kim	Oct 25

## Wedding Anniversaries

Rick & Lisa Hampton	Oct. 7
Gene & Kay Marie Gregory	Oct. 16
Stew & Diane Anderson	Oct. 17
Kimberly & Michael Ramirez	Oct. 20
Matt & Susan Drake	Oct. 27

## Club Anniversaries

Buck McKean	Oct. 1
Gerry Lundberg	Oct. 2
Mark Sawyer	Oct. 7
Cynthia Burden	Oct. 22
John Hulterstrom	Oct. 23
Vickie Cabriales	Oct. 27
Felix Diaz	Oct. 27
Chris Espinoza	Oct. 27
Prem Reddy	Oct. 27
Mike Rothschild	Oct. 27
Minda Stackelhouse	Oct. 27

## BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!



Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an on-going, annual Food Drive, and a recipient organization will be chosen quarterly.



## Russ' Rap

**President Russ** announced that **Jon Edson** and **Gene Gregory** are sharing a room at the Knolls West facility located at 14973 Hesperia Road in Victorville. The phone number is: 760-245-6477. The guys would love a visit or call. Their room number is 57-B.

**Steve Murray** and the Membership Committee challenge our members to help build our roster by bringing guests to lunch who would make good Rotarians. **Steve** would like to see ten new members every month!

**Dan Dever** reminds members they will be billed for the Wine, Jazz & More tickets not used or sold or return to him. Also, anyone able to help set up at 9:00 a.m. this Saturday at the Spring Valley Lake Community Center will be appreciated! **Dan** says ticket sales are good and there are loads of nice prizes! **Come see for yourselves!**

**Russ** listed just a few "teaser" auction items: **Midway Home Solutions'** La Z Boy recliner (color/style are exchangeable), **Southwest Gas'** natural/propane gas grill, **Rancho Motors'** children's car, a beautiful mirror from **Le Chartreuse**, **Eldon Heaston's** electric lawn mower... just to name a few! **Come see for yourselves!**

**Margaret** displayed the new President's Circle advertisement, which will be in the Wine, Jazz & More program, generously printed by **PrintMart** at no charge!

Teacher's Mini Grants are our next big push; we will be hearing more from **Jim Barnes** about this great program.

**Mark Sawyer** received his framed newspaper article by High Desert Art & Frame (See pg. 2), and let us know that last month alone, the swamp coolers we provided saved \$850!!



Congratulations to **Doug Robertson**, who won the Spoon for November. There are five weeks to shamelessly advertise the City of Victorville.

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

**Collected this week: \$11.00**

**Collected to Date: \$9,546.65**

**Total equals: 80,183 Doses!**

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

## FINE & RAFFLE SESSION:



FineMaster **Mark Taylor** began by auctioning off the Spoon of Exemption, and the bidding was not exactly fast and furious between **Caroll Yule**,



**Rob Kilpatrick**, and **Doug Robertson**. **Doug** prevailed with a \$90 bid. **Mark** couldn't fine the Spoonholder for running his triathlon, so hit **David North** for \$10 for running his. There were only two raffle items this week (we really missed **Mark Layton** and **Hough**)... **Kevin Kane's** Victor Valley Transit Authority Tee Shirt went to **Kevin Porter**, and **Midway's** \$25 Gift Card went home with **Margaret Cooker**. Lucky **Gary Adams'** ticket was pulled to try to win \$500 with only eight marbles in the bag, but, alas, took home only \$5.

**Congratulations to Margaret Cooker, the Club's membership winner for the month of September, and she wins a \$25 Gift Card!**

**Congratulations also to Doug Robertson, who recently completed his first triathlon, and to David North who completed his as well (unsure if it was his first, though)!**

## LUCKY BLUE MARBLE

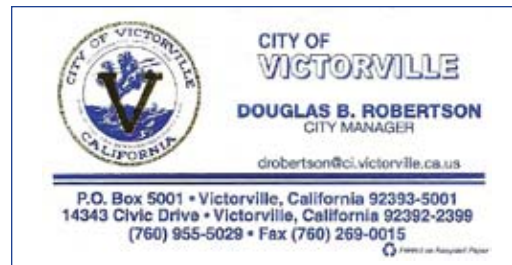


**Gary Adams took home \$5 from the Pot this week :)**

**Next week, \$550/7 marbles**



*Doug Robertson*



**Doug Robertson** was the high bidder for the October Spoon of Exemption (5 weeks) to the tune of \$90, and he invites everyone to attend the Spice of Life Fall Festival on October 5th.

## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directords

President & Immediate Past President.....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer .....	David North
Executive Secretary .....	Margaret Cooker
Incoming President/Membership .....	Steve Murray
Club Service & President 2015-16 .....	Ben Tafoya
Community Service .....	Mark Layton
Youth Service .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Vocational Service .....	Jim Barnes
International .....	Dan Dever
Foundation .....	Margaret Cooker
BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth

### Members-at-Large:

Dwight Johnson • Bob Basen • Rob Kilpatrick • Kevin Porter • Mark Taylor

### Positions & Committee Chairs 2013-2014

Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
SongMaster .....	Al Castellucci
Club Activities .....	Ben Tafoya
Membership.....	Steve Murray
Programs .....	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Dwight Johnson
Scholarships .....	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Ben Tafoya
Cards and Calls .....	Gaylynn Stringham
Newsletter .....	Mary Teran



### Important Dates

## Mark your Calendar!

- Oct. 5:** **Wine, Jazz & More**  
Spring Valley Lake Community Building (More info to follow).
- Oct. 12:** **Calico Off-Road Trip** - Contact Dan Dever (760) 963-2198
- Oct. 28:** **Past President's Meeting** - 5:30 - Green Tree G.C. Clubhouse
- Jan. 3, 2013:** **R.I. Foundation** - Ontario Double Tree - Black tie - RI President Ron Burton will be in attendance

**IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR JOSHUA TREE LINK VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO GET ADDED TO THE EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST.**

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  
Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St.
- WEDNESDAY:** Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at 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.
- 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.

### UPCOMING

## ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Oct. 8:** Jantinder "Jay" Singh - **Topic: "A Introduction to Sikhism"** (Stringham)
- Oct. 15:** Joe Zucaro, Fire Marshall, City of Victorville - **Topic: From Penguins to Fighter Jets"** (Yule) / **Brentwood Career Exploration Program / S.T.A.R. Students**
- Oct. 22:** **Teacher Mini Grants** (Anderson)
- Oct. 29:** San Bernardino County First District Supervisor, Robert Lovingood - **Topic: "County Update"** (Page)

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