

Joshua Tree

October 13, 2020

HOW TO CARE FOR HUNDREDS OF GROUNDED PLANES

As the 22-year founder of ComAV,

Craig Garrick has seen a lot in the
airline industry, but nothing prepared
him for the COVID-19 Pandemic.
There are three parts to the company,
located at the Southern California
Logistics Airport; the parent company,
a division that buys, sells and trades
planes and parts internationally, and
an arm that handles maintenance

and managerial services for different airlines, companies, banks and financial institutions.

Going into 2020, one of their biggest clients, Boeing, was already beginning a tough year as the manufacturer of 737 Max Jet, which was responsible for the crashes of Lion Air Flight 610 and Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302 that had left the plane grounded. With over 2,000 made it was devastating for Boeing. Southwest Airlines has 34 of these jets, and all are at ComAV. In March, when COVID-19 made its presence known, the whole airline industry fell 90%, which not only led to many layoffs, but a lot of grounded planes all over the world!

Planes when parked are not like cars; they must be run even when parked as mold and bacteria can run through the fuel and other

This Week's Functionaries

Invocation: Bill Edwards

Flag Salute: Brad Poiriez

4-Way Test: Arsalee Morales

Finemaster: Bill Edwards

parts of a plane. The cost to keep a plane maintained when grounded is between \$15,000 - \$30,000! Now times that by 90% of an airline industry and it is very troubling.

But that is only one side of the ComAV Coronavirus coin. Another one of their big clients is FedEx, and they take care of 700 of their planes. The FedEx peak season when

a majority of their planes are in use is between October and December. The other months, only a fraction are used. As you can already detect, they are doing booming business and just reported their best 3rd quarter in history. Their massive use right now is not just in the area of delivering packages, but also delivering medical supplies worldwide.

As one could imagine, ComAV has tripled in employment for airplane maintenance, but the trading and buying division has dropped by 80%, showing not only in the industry, but in the company as well, there truly are two sides of the coin. To handle this, ComAV has hired many employees that were laid off from other airlines, and some have even become full time employees and have been buying homes in the High Desert, helping spike not only the real estate industry, but our local economy as well.

Craig has seen many things change in his 22 years, and will undoubtedly see much more, but for now, he is handling both the triumphs as well as the challenges with professionalism and making sure he does all that he can to assist his long time clients in their moments of need.

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ORR'S ROARS



It was great to have Craig Garrick join us this week to share how much the COVID-19 Pandemic has affected ComAV, both in the positive and negative. The members in attendance were captivated and we are pleased to announce

we will be hosting a field trip to ComAV on Tuesday, November 3rd!



Much love goes out to

Linda Hove for allowing your husband, Jon Hove to be our Rotary President for the 2021-2022 Rotary year. We know he will do another wonderful job and we thank you for sharing him with us once again.

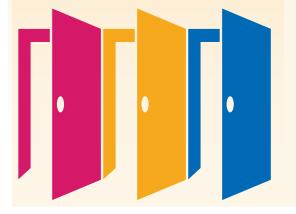


Margaret Cooker shared that our Read B4K Program continues to grow and expand! The Hesperia Education Center has show interest and we have reached out to the Rotary Club

of the High Desert in Hesperia to see if they will sponsor 10 children at \$100 each and our club will donate costs for facilitator, laptops, software and more. This is all in due to your generosity Rotarians!

Have a great Rotary week!





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Fine Session

Bill Edwards debuted as our Fine Master this week and did a fantastic job for his first time out! Seeing that President **Steve Orr** had absolutely no confidence in his ability to lead a fine session, President Orr was fined \$10.

Don Lager was next on the chopping block in the "No Good Deed Goes Unpunished" category. Bill had



scheduled a warranty repair on his oven and workers from Midway Home Solutions, called, saying they would be there between 9am and noon. They showed up at 9:05am! For the great job done by employees Dustin and Angel, Don was fined \$20 for having such great staffers.

We welcomed back **Oscar Garcia** this week, and he was penalized \$10 for knowing almost as much about planes as did speaker **Craig Garrick** and **Arsalee Morales** was given the same amount for letting Bill know only four hours before the Board Meeting that she needed snacks, plates, napkins, etc.

The last two fines of the day went to **Jon Hove** in the amount of \$25 for wrongly accepting his Rotary Presidency next year and **Craig Garrick** for \$20 for holding on to the Spoon of Exemption for seven months and not even bothering to clean it!



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Big Blue Dice



Tina Escareño had the opportunity to grab the Blue Dice, but took out a white one and saved the chance for another Rotarian.

We will continue next week with 9 dice and \$325 for the Rotarian who can pick the Blue Dice out of the bag.

Rotary Guests

Once again we welcomed **Julie Amaya** who attended with Tina Escareño and **Taylor Valdes** once again attended with **Arsalee Morales**. We were also so pleased to have **Linda Hove** attend with her husband **Jon Hove**.

Spoon of Exemption

Now that **Craig Garrick** brought back the Spoon of Exemption, it was time to once again try and get back to a sense of normalcy with another spoon holder, who will have it all the way through the month on November.



Returning member

Oscar Garcia started
the bidding off with a
bid of \$75, which was
quickly upped by \$25
from Dwight Johnson.
The third and final bid
came from Arsalee

Morales in the

amount of \$125 and each week for the next six weeks we will hear from Arsalee and all things Apple Valley Communications.

Raffle

One of our guests this week **Julie Amaya** had a wonderful time at the meeting as she went home with an arm full of Rotary raffle goodies! She took home the \$25 Midway gift card and Halloween homemade decorated tumbler from **Don Lager**, a discount card and shopping bag from **Dwight Johnson**, a Heritage Victor Valley Medical Group clock from President **Steve Orr**, and a bottle of Victor Valley Transit hand sanitizer from **Chris Ackerman**. **Steve Orr** and **Brad Poiriez** also took home hand sanitizer and **Arsalee Morales** also won a discount card and bag.

Club Assembly



Margaret Cooker led another Club Assembly this week, with the purpose of having the Club vote on **Jon Hove** to become our Rotary President for the 2021-2022 Rotary year. Joined by his wife **Linda Hove**, President **Steve Orr** accepted the recommendation, which was then seconded by **Brad Poiriez**. From there it was nothing but a unanimous agreement by all members in attendance that Past President **Jon Hove** will serve another term.

Have fun in Taiwan Jon and Linda!

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$18.00 Collected to Date: \$17,533.23 Total equals: 96,180 Doses!

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

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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 San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Rositas, 540 Main St, 12:00 p.m.

THURSDAY: Apple Valley, ZOOM Meetings, 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

Oct 26: Past Presidents' Meeting

5:30 pm

El Pescador Patio

Nov 9: Board of Directors meeting

5:30 pm Meeting

DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor Hesperia and Silica Roads

Upcoming Programs

Oct 20: Old Town Griz, Author / Historian

Topic: "The History of Hesperia The Mid Years 1900-1950" (Edwards)

Oct 27: Jim Cox, City of Victorville

Topic: "My 50 years with the City of Victorville, Past, Present and Future"

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Nov 3: Offsite at ComAV: allow 2.5 hrs for photo

ops in planes (**NO FLYING!**) (Page)

Nov 12: Julian Vaughan, Political Affairs Ambassador,

The Borgen Project **Topic: End Global**

Poverty NOW! (Cooker)

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