



The Joshua Tree



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HOW HEALTH CARE REFORM IMPACTS THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE



Dr. Margaret Peterson, Rotarian, and CEO of Desert Valley Hospital, shed some light on the various aspects of President Obama’s Health Care plan. She offered a great Power Point presentation which also delineated Governor Romney’s own proposals to repeal and replace it with a different set of reforms. In addition to a history of American health care, Margaret shared a great handout from the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research, with a side-by-side comparison of the candidates’ health care proposals.

The cost of health care was the catalyst long before the reforms began in 2010. As Margaret states, “Because we live in a capitalist environment, profits are built into health care, whether it’s for profit hospitals, health insurance companies, pharmaceutical companies, durable medical goods... profit is how we function”.

Margaret compared how Americans are insured against nationalized health care systems in other countries. She also explained some of the issues regarding Medicare and Medicaid.

We all know there is a huge need for reform, and a long list of “fixes” from both sides. Just “Google” Health Reform, and see the many groups that offer their own answers to how the reform will play out in the future, and how it will affect you and your employees.

We thank Margaret for her informative presentation, and also for providing a concise summary of the ballot measure questions as presented by the Victorville Chamber and CalChamber.

IMPORTANT ISSUES:

- Cost of Health Care - Rising - 18% of Gross Domestic Product (\$2.6 Trillion) - Highest in the World - however, US ranks 50th in the world in life expectancy
- 50 million people are uninsured 1 in 6 Americans
- Three pandemics contribute to preventable chronic diseases - tobacco use, obesity & lack of physical activity
- Capitalism in Health Care - health care driven by profit

Thank you to today’s Functionaries



- Invocation:** David North
Flag Salute: Dwight Johnson
4-Way Test: Joe Andreasen
Song: Al Castellucci

THIS WEEK’S GUESTS



Dan Dever welcomed this week’s guests to Rotary. They were Cathy Abbott of the Apple Valley Rotary Club (Ontiveros) and Jacquie Lukocffi (Edson).

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



We will be missing Vito's enthusiastic presence at our future Rotary meetings, but congratulate him on his promotion to a mall in Los Angeles. The above is a great shot of one of the new entrances, which Vito hopes you will all walk through at some point, and enjoy what our newly renovated mall offers.

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$8.46

Collected to Date: \$8,940.94

Total equals: 78,936 Doses!

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

Thank you for your donations, Rotarians!

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RAFFLE SESSION:

Russ and Vito Bello handed out several nice raffle prizes this week... no Finemaster, so everyone went fine-free!

Vito took home one of Hough's fun gifts; a **PrintMart** Bag *all the way from Bangkok, Thailand*, went to **Ron Hughes**; **Team Edson** won a **Patel** Calendar, and a **PrintMart** Pocket Knife went home with **Gary Adams**. A nice **H&R Block** Business Card Holder was won by **John Kroencke**, and **PrintMart** Kava Coffee (*all the way from Hawaii*) went to **Gene Gregory**. **Jim Murray** tried for \$250 from a total of 13 marbles, taking home only \$5 for himself.



The next Rotary meeting will be the kick-off of Angel Tree 2012, an annual event for our Club.

Angel Tree will conclude with the weekly meeting preceding the Christmas Party, December 13th.

Be sure and get a tag to help a needy child or family. For questions, contact Steve Flannery.



**The new Club
Directories are here!**



Great job, PrintMart!

Holidays are around the corner!



**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.





Russ' Rap

Russ reminds members to mark their calendars for the October 30th Off-Site meeting at Pacific Aviation Group. Our Off-Sites are always most interesting... plan to be there! A sign-up sheet will be going around at meetings.

Cathy Abbott of the Apple Valley Club says the Chili Cook-Off winner is locked, however, our booth has 3 different chillies being presented for the contest, so let's just see... still need booth workers, so come on out, folks!

Steve Murray asks that we mark our calendars for the **Dec. 13th Rotary Club Christmas Party**. It will be held this year at Steve's home; plan to attend!

Dan Dever reported on a successful and fun Off-Road trip this past weekend, with a total of 9 off-road vehicles and over 25 persons participating!

Mike Page reminds Past Presidents to attend the October 29th meeting at the Green Tree Clubhouse at 5:30 p.m.

Colleen Butcher reported on the Fireside, and she appreciated the help and fellowship with fellow Rotarians.

Don't forget to bring your cans to Rotary... **Dwight J.**

Steve Flannery will be bringing information on the "Angel Tree" project our Club offers for needy families at Christmastime. Please take an "Angel" and help a special child!



Teacher`s Mini-Grants

Joe Andreasen is seeking donations into this really important project. As Joe stated last year, "Teacher's Mini-Grants breathe life into their curriculum". We are already over \$10,000 in donations. A clipboard is going around at meetings to collect for our local teachers.

★ Upcoming Events★

OCTOBER 20TH

Immunization Clinic - St. Mary's Community Services - Hwy. #18. Contact Margaret if you can volunteer from 8:15 - 1 (approx.)



11th Annual Apple Valley Chili Cookoff

Need volunteers to man the booth from 9 to 4. Contact Russ if you're available.

Past Presidents Meeting



Oct. 30

Rotary Off-Site

Pacific Aviation Group
18499 Phantom West, Bldg. #17

★ Save the Date★

Dec. 13

Club Christmas Party
Home of Steve & Pam Murray



LUCKY ORANGE MARBLE

Jim Murray won \$5 this week!

Next week...

\$300!! / 12 marbles



President's Circle

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Jon Edson - Paul Stanton



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President-Elect-Elect (2015-16) ...	Talk to Chuck for interviews

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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 Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Dennies, 14165 Main St.
WEDNESDAY:	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
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!

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

Oct. 29: Past President's Meeting - 5:30 p.m. Green Tree Golf Course Clubhouse

Dec. 13: Club Christmas Party - home of Steve & Pam Murray

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UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Oct. 23: April Vincent**, Registered Dietician & Diabetes Educator - Topic: "Healthy Eating Made Easy" (Page) **PLUS S.T.A.R. Awards/Brentwood students**
- Oct. 30: Off-Site: Pacific Aviation Group**
18499 Phantom West, Bldg. #17
(760) 523-5060 - (map forthcoming)
- Nov. 6: Teacher Mini-Grants** (Andreasen)
Teen Leadership Training (Kilpatrick)
- Nov. 13: District Governor, Sylvia Whitlock**
Topic: Rotary International Foundation Program, Community Service Paul Harris Awards (Coker) / **Wheel Chair Program** (Hough)

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