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The Joshua Tree

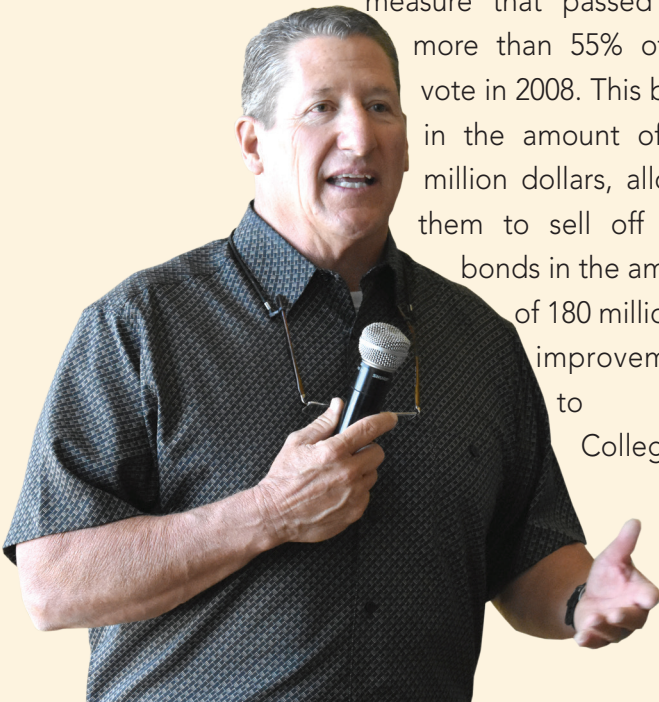


October 23, 2018

WHAT TO DO WITH 295 MILLION DOLLARS

If you have driven by Victor Valley College recently, you will notice a lot of construction going on. In fact, the work has been going on for some time in different areas of the campus, but now is in the forefront, thanks to the passing of Measure JJ.

Steve Garcia, the Executive Director of Facilities at VVC spoke to the Club this week about the 2008 local bond measure that passed with more than 55% of the vote in 2008. This bond, in the amount of 295 million dollars, allowed them to sell off the bonds in the amount of 180 million for improvements to the College.



The work began with some infrastructure that went into road and parking lot repairs. The money was also used inside, repairing air ducts and A/C Units.

Off campus the Apple Valley Regional Training Center, a 3 million project, trains students for a career in Administrative Justice, EMT/Paramedic Services, Fire, Search & Rescue, plus more. Along with the generosity of Dr. Prem Reddy, the funds also assisted with the building of what is called one of the best Nursing Programs in California.

Other improvements to the campus consisted of a music building with instruments, and an automotive welding shop, that opened in 2017. In addition, they opened a full retail classroom automotive center and electric car program.

For many years at VVC, student services have been spread across the campus at different areas, but the large building you see being constructed will now be a new, state-of-the-art student services one stop building. After Steve and his staff studied other colleges centers, now students will only have one place to go to be processed through the VVC system. The building will also serve as an iconic entrance down the road and transform VVC not only what it does, but how it represents our community, The building will be completed in about a year, and they have already been working with the VTA on bus routes.

What does this do for the future? By combining several buildings into one, it will leave some empty spaces at the College to allow for future lecture classrooms and expanded programs for our local students. Find out more at www.vvc.edu.

This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation: **Ryan McEachron**
- Flag Salute: **Dr. Ron Williams**
- 4-Way Test: **McKenzie Tarango**
- Finemaster: **Mark Taylor**

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DWIGHT WRITES (SPECIAL)



Well, I didn't think I'd be back so soon, but here I am! Our President **Brad Letner** was out this week, so I was happy to fill in.

Even though the audio visual system



was not working, speaker **Steve Garcia** did a great job sharing all that Victor Valley College has done with the Measure JJ grant money. He definitely deserves a return visit, once the equipment is working properly again.

We are in need of more donations for our Teacher Mini-Grants! **Ryan McEachron** shared that grants are \$300 each and we are looking for members to give \$300 - \$1,200 to help pay for these Grants. Last year we had grant money in the amount of \$12,000 and we want to beat that this year!

Jon Hove gave a Membership Moment and we are starting to fall behind on where we need to be with invited guests and new Club members. We have 58 people in the Club and everyone needs to start bringing potential members to the luncheon.

The holiday season is fast approaching and **Margaret Cooker** has Sees Candy for sale. A perfect gift for staff, loved ones, or even yourself! All sales help the Club, so buy some today!

As a reminder from **Mike Page**, we are needing to fill program spots for November 20th and December 18th. If you have any ideas, please contact Mike.

Finally, the quote of the week is, "Without tradition, art is a flock of sheep without a shepherd. Without inspiration, it is a corpse." - Winston Churchill

SPOON OF EXCEPTION



Mike Page continued this week, discussing 27th Annual St. Mary Gala on Saturday, November 3rd. He and **Jon Hove**

have tickets for the Jeep Cherokee worth \$25,000! All money raised will go to Panda Warmers for the NICU.

Tickets are \$100 each or you can purchase ten tickets for \$500. Mike shared that your chances are very good to win, based on the amount of tickets sold so far.

Next up it was time to auction the spoon and there was only one taker. **Dwight Johnson** got the Spoon in November for the paltry sum of \$50!

FINE SESSION

Mark Taylor was our Fine Master this week only gave out a couple of fines. **Jon Hove** had to give up \$20 in honor of his birthday, and **Corey Beck** paid \$10 for his 2-year Rotary Anniversary.

See's CANDIES. 2018 Winter Fundraising



Assorted Chocolates
Milk and dark decadence.
Delivered in seasonal wrap.
1 lb \$20.50 #318
2 lb \$41.00 #319



Nuts & Chews
Yummy, crunchy and chewy.
Delivered in seasonal wrap.
1 lb \$20.50 #334
2 lb \$41.00 #335



Assorted Lollipops
Vanilla, Butterscotch, Dark Luscious Chocolate.
Approximately 20 lollipops.
1 lb 5 oz \$19.50 #296



Polar Bear Box
The ultimate stocking stuffer!
4 oz \$7.70 #9565



Milk Chocolates
Pure milk chocolate goodness.
Delivered in seasonal wrap.
1 lb \$20.50 #326



Truffles
Wonderfully decadent and rich.
1 lb \$23.20 #902



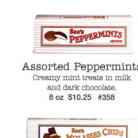
Peanut Brittle
Buttery, crunchy and irresistible.
1 lb 8 oz \$20.50 #355



Mini Merry Assortment
An irresistible treat.
4 oz \$7.70 #9561



Dark Chocolates
A taste of cacao in every bite.
Delivered in seasonal wrap.
1 lb \$20.50 #330



Assorted Peppermints
Creamy mint twists in milk and dark chocolate.
8 oz \$10.25 #358



Assorted Molasses Chips
Crunchy wafers covered in milk and dark chocolate.
8 oz \$10.25 #360



Toffee-ettes®
Crunchy toffee, milk chocolate and almonds.
1 lb \$20.50 #316



ONE POUND
For use at any See's Candies shop.
1 lb \$20.50 #767 (non-sustainable continental U.S.)
1 lb \$22.30 #768 (Indemnitable Hawaii)



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**SEE MARGARET COOKER
TO GET YOUR ORDER IN EARLY!**

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LUCKY BLUE DICE



Twice in a row, Ryan McEachron won the chance to get some big dollars this week, but took another white out!

We will continue next week with 5 Dice and \$425 for one lucky Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

RAFFLE PRIZES

If this week's raffle is any indication, do not be surprised if **Ryan McEachron** is the Mega Millions Lottery winner! Ryan went home with two meal passes from Cracker Barrel, a bottle of white wine, and the \$25 Midway gift card from **Jason Montana**.

Corey Beck didn't go away empty handed either, as he won a \$25 VISA gift card from the Club, and a beautiful ComAV aviation wall thermometer from **Craig Garrick**.

Craig himself took away some pasta and mixing bowl from **Bill Edwards**, a 2019 Regan Ranch calendar, courtesy of **Dwight Johnson**, will be used by Jason Montana and finally, an LED flex light was taken away from the meeting by **Dr. Ron Boyd**.

THE POLIO PIG

Collected this week: \$16.00

Polio Pig: \$11.00 + Dice (Ryan McEachron): \$5.00 = \$16.00

Collected to Date: \$15,746.10

Total equals: 92,540 Doses!

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

ROTARY GUESTS

This week we enjoyed the company of some great Stand-ins. We welcomed **Mara Rodriguez** for **Captain Rick Bessinger**, **Jason Montana** for **Don Lager**, **Ryan Orr** for **Brad Poiriez**, **Sarah Rojas** for **Lauretta Tkaczyk**, and speaker **Steve Garcia** for **Dr. Roger Wagner**.

GIVING BACK...



The Victorville Rotary Foundation was honored to present a check in the amount of \$1,000 to **Mara Rodriguez** from the Victor Valley Sheriff's Department for the Victorville Police and Fire Activities League (PAL). Past President **Dwight Johnson** presented the check.

The program, which began in 2011, now in its 8th year is a mentoring program for troubled youth 14 - 18 years of age, helping get them back on track using the sport of Boxing. The sport teaches them discipline, respect and accountability. At any one time there are 20 active members in the group and all have to perform community service as well, such as community cleanup or helping the elderly.

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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 Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Adelanto Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at Budweisers, Adelanto Rd, Adelanto at 8am. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Los Domingos, 1520 E Main St, 12:00 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
FRIDAY:	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

CALENDAR DATES

- Nov 12:** **Board of Directors Meeting**
5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor
Hesperia and Silica Roads
- Feb 23:** **Rotary Peace Conference**
8:00AM • La Verne College
Registration now open

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Oct 30:** **EVENING ROTARY MEETING**
Rusty Bull Bar & Grill
13685 John Glenn Road, Apple Valley
5:30pm
- Nov 6:** Mark Smith, Administrative Sergeant San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department
TOPIC: "K9 Presentation"
(Bessinger)
- Nov 13:** Dougal Agan (McEachron)

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