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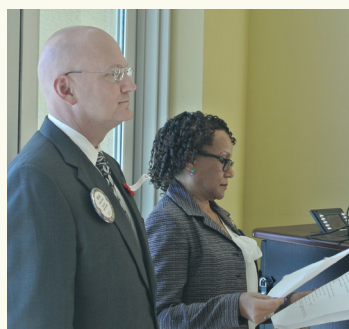
November 10, 2015

Rotary Club of Victorville, CA 

A Tribute to Veterans

This week the Rotary Club of Victorville honored Veterans in a wonderful tribute put on by **Dr. Hough** and **Brad Letner**. We had Pianist Danny Studvant playing songs and singing throughout the event. We had readings from **Ben Tafoya**, **Dr. Hough** and **Derick King**, President of the Rotary Club of the High Desert.

The program featured the significance of Poppy Flowers and Veterans Day. The poppy's significance to Veterans Day is a result of Canadian military physician John McCrae's poem, In Flanders Fields. The poppy emblem was chosen because of the poppies that bloomed across some of the worst battlefields of Flanders in World War I. And their red color seemed an appropriate symbol for the bloodshed of trench warfare. Two days before the Armistice was declared at 11am on November 11th, 1918, an American woman named Moina Michael was so moved by McCrae's poem, she purchased 25 silk poppies that she distributed to attendees of the Conference. The poppies were well received at the meeting, which prompted her to begin effort to have the poppy adopted as a national symbol of remembrance.

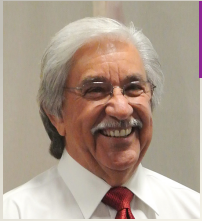


This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation: Van Young
- Flag Salute: Mark Taylor
- 4-Way Test: Russ Stringham
- Song: Danny Sturdvant



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Tafoya Talk...

Wow! What a FULL House today at Rotary! Thanks for the quick work of **Victor Rocha's** staff to have 2 extra tables prepared in the instant they were needed!

The Angel Tags are in! **Steve Murray** let everyone know that they are now grouped by family, so you have the ease to purchase gifts for a complete family or just a couple individuals.

Next week we will have sign-ups for this year's Christmas Party. Stay tuned for more information. Our holiday season is fast approaching and you don't want to miss the upcoming Rotary meetings. In December we will have Teacher Mini-Grants, the AV High Sunsatons, **Senator Sharon Runner**, and a special presentation by **Chris Ackerman** about growing up in a "Hollywood" family!

The Polio Pig...

Collected this week: \$17.01

Collected to Date: \$12,785.59

Total equals: 87,636 Doses!

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

Fine Session

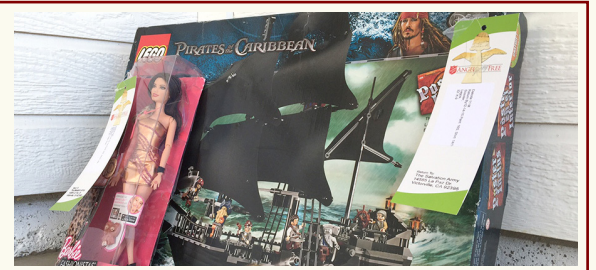
It was "Quiz Show" Day with **Mark Taylor** as \$10 fines were handed out to those who could not answer "Veterans Day" questions correctly. \$10 fines were handed out to **Kevin Kane, Mike Page, Al Castellucci, and Stew Anderson**. Congratulations to **Rosanne Weathers** to be the only Rotarian to answer her question correctly, and being awarded a fine free pass! Finally, **Jim Murray** was given a \$20 fine for his Anniversary. Always the good son, **Steve Murray** offered to pay his fine, to which dad replied, "Make it more"!

Raffle Prizes

It was the battle of the "Steve's" today at Rotary, with **Steve Murray** and **Steve Orr** running away with the lion's share of the massive amount of raffle prizes! Space limits mentioning all prizes, but tons of Patriotic gifts from **Dr. Hough** also went to **Stew Anderson, Kevin Kane** and **Ron Hughes**, but most went to the "Steve's". **Victor Rocha** gave \$20 El Pescador gift certificates that went to **Dwight Johnson** and **Steve Murray**. Cookies from **Stew Anderson** went to **Victor Rocha** and one of today's guests. A guest also went away with the much sought after VVTA Bus USB from **Kevin Kane**. A \$25 Midway gift card went to **Ron Hughes**, a First Aid backpack from **Rosanne Weathers** went to **Steve Orr** and a bird Feeder from **Ben Tafoya** went to **Van Young**. With the incredible amount of raffle prizes given out today, one has to wonder, why **Gary Adams** didn't win any of them?

Spoon of Exemption: Van Young

Van Young reminded Rotarians that their companies can sponsor a Kettle at any of their locations. When you sponsor a kettle, you put your company name on the kettle and have your people man it for that time. Also, for an extra \$100 a day, the Salvation Army will work your kettle for you. Van also reminded us to get some tags for the Angel Tree program.





S.T.A.R. Students: Del Rey & Liberty

This week we were honored to have S.T.A.R. students from Del Rey AVID Elementary and Liberty School of Creativity and Innovation. Jim Barnes and Ben Tafoya were present to hand out the awards which were presented by Jackie Jauregui of VESD.

From Del Rey we met **Jenn Erica Centeno**, who is a model student and very focused in her education



and **Sarah Vasquez**, a very determined student that focuses more on learning than the social aspects of school who wants to go to Julliard!

From Liberty we had the pleasure of awarding **DeMarcus Brown** who has made great strides on his behavior and efforts in school. **Brandon Dewy** struggled coming to a new school this year, but now faces his challenges with positivity, confidence and enthusiasm! **Vanessa Perez** has a great positive attitude and work ethic and grown tremendously this year! A very academically talented

student, **Noah Thibodeaux** has made huge improvements in his behavior, which has helped him develop his skills as a leader! Finally, we met **Ryan Vo**, who at the beginning of the year struggled to stay on task. He is now respectful to his teacher, everyone around him in class and only talks at appropriate times.

Lucky Blue Dice **WINNER!!!**



What a great way to honor a Veteran by awarding her \$500 for picking the Lucky Blue Dice! Dr. Hough got the 50/50 chance to pick one of two remaining dice and came up a winner!

Next week we start anew!



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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., 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 Astro's Burgers, 11619 Rancho Rd, Adelanto at 8am. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 13853 Seneca Rd, 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 High Desert, Mimi's Cafe, Victorville, 7 a.m.
FRIDAY:	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

CALENDAR DATES

- Dec. 3:** **Rotary Christmas Dinner**
El Pescador Restaurant
Victorville, CA
- Jan. 2:** **Foundation Dinner**
Double Tree Hotel, Ontario, CA
Rotary Intl. President in Attendance
Deadline Extended
Club will pay 50% of the early bird ticket cost. - deadline 11/30/2015

Upcoming Rotary Programs

- Nov. 17:** Caroll Yule, Shear Realty **TOPIC:** **"Millennials and Boomers – What are they buying and selling?"** (Page)
- Nov. 24:** Rikke Sejr Broedsgaard, Denmark Exchange Student **TOPIC: "A Trip Through Denmark"** (Letner)
- Dec 1:** **Teacher Mini-Grants** (Hughes/Barnes)
- Dec 8:** **Apple Valley High School Sunsatons**
- Dec 15:** Senator Sharon Runner (Page)

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