



Rotary  
Club of Victorville, CA



# The Joshua Tree



December 5, 2017

## Christmas on a Rotarian Tuesday...



The glorious sounds of Christmas! This week was a festive day and night as Rotarians gathered for lunch to listen to the University Prep Philharmonic, led by **Matthew O'Reign** at our annual Christmas Program. The orchestra entertained the crowd with such numbers as The Holberg Suite, Sarabande, Take Five, and rounded off their performance with The Bells of Christmas, which consisted of a medley of Jingle Bells, Silver Bells and the Carol of the Bells! After these wonderful and talented students finished their performance, President **Dwight Johnson** presented Matthew with a check for \$300 to go towards their music program at University Prep.

In the evening Rotarians gathered once again at Green Tree for our annual Christmas Dinner. Chaired and emceed by **Dr. Roger Wagner**, guests had a wonderful time to fun, food, fellowship and even a visit from Santa Claus himself! After a wonderful dinner, guests played three rounds of Christmas Bingo for some great prizes. **Kevin Kane** won the first game and received an Amazon Kindle Fire, **Cheryl Beck**, wife of Corey Beck took home a Vera Bradley purse and **Jim Murray** won the final game and will spend his time on Christmas morning playing with his new laptop! Thank you to everyone who made this evening so festive and joyous.

### This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation: **Bill Edwards**
- Flag Salute: **Todd Sturges**
- 4-Way Test: **Dwight Johnson**
- Song: **Al Castellucci**
- Finemaster: **Terry Caldwell**

## Dwight's Writes



Rotarians, we have now arrived into the full holiday swing! Thank you to all the wonderful students with the University Prep Philharmonic who warmed our hearts this week with their music and to

**Dr. Roger Wagner** and his committee who put on the best Christmas Dinner we have ever enjoyed!



While we are in the Christmas spirit, please do not forget to see **Stew Anderson**

and pick up your Angel Tree Tags. We still have some boys and girls that need gifts, a lot of seniors still need their tags picked up, and one more family needs to be adopted. Please do what you can to make sure that everyone has a gift to open this Christmas.

To keep with this holiday message, I want to share that we received our first Christmas card of the season! Congratulations to everyone at ICR Staffing for this honor!



Finally, my thought of the week is "Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts."

- Charles Dickens

## Spoon of Exemption

**Jim Cox** used his first Tuesday with the Spoon to share with Rotarians that the Victorville Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony were both a rousing success. Jim concluded by stating that Rotarians can keep up to date with the City Council meetings by watching online.

## Canned Food Drive



This week, President **Dwight Johnson**, along with **Don Lager** and **Jason Montana** from Midway Home Solutions delivered our collected canned goods to **Alicia Dunn**, Coordinator for St. Joan of Arc's food pantry, The Lord's Table.

Please continue to bring your canned or dry foods, as we continue to do good work throughout our community. Two cans equals one free raffle ticket at our weekly meetings!

## TLC Update



**Steve Murray** gave an update on the recent TLC Camp with 240 8th graders. He described them a wild bunch, and not all will be Rotarians. The kids will give their rebuttal at next week's meeting.

## The Polio Pig

**Collected this week: \$23.00**

Polio Pig: \$18.00 + Dice (Stew Anderson): \$5.00 = \$23.00

**Collected to Date: \$14,836.17**

**Total equals: 90,719 Doses!**

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

# ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE



## Lucky Blue Dice



Stew Anderson started up our new Dice Draw this week, and took the first white one out!

We'll continue next week with 13 dice and \$225 for one lucky Rotarian who gets a chance for the Blue Dice!

## Teacher Mini Grant



Instruction **Lindsay Richer**, wanted to share a big thank you to our Club for supporting their EV3 Robotic Kit grant. The students have been excited to build their new robots and get to the

point where they start programming their robot. For Lindsey it has been rewarding as a teacher to see her students engaged in the engineering and design of these robots.

## Rotary Guests

This week, **Todd Sturges** invited the new CHP Captain **Dan DeLong** to the meeting, and **Brad Letner** invited Read B4K Coordinator **Colleen Calderon**, who gave the Club an update on the program. Also this week, **Dr. Ron Williams** had **Kristopher Reilly** from the VVUHSD and **Chelsea Smith** from Cal Com for Education at his table. **Jon Hove** brought his wife **Linda Hove** to the meeting as did **Stew Anderson** who brought **Diane Anderson**. Our Stand-in this week was **Jimmy Smith** for **Mark McKay**.

Finally, we were honored to have Apple Valley Rotary President **Jennifer Dieter** join us for our Christmas Program.

## Raffle Prizes

Our raffle this week began by giving away some Peanut Brittle, that was donated by **Marie Langley** that will be enjoyed by **Don Lager** and **Gary Adams**, but Gary was not done yet, as he also took home a VVC swag bag from **Dr. Roger Wagner**. Don won again as he and **Jim Murray** received a 2018 appointment book from **Mike Johnson** at DCB. The final raffle prize this week was won by **Stew Anderson**, who will be doing some Christmas shopping with his \$25 Midway gift card from **Don Lager**.

## Fine Session

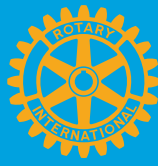
This week **Terry Caldwell** was our Fine Master and after being on vacation, had a long list of Rotarians to fine. **Dr. Ron Williams** was enjoying the University Prep performance so much, that he was given a \$30 fine for the 30 strong orchestra. **Craig Garrick** gave himself a \$50 fine because of all the work going on at AVCom and SCLA, including President Trump's new Air Force One!

**Donna Wells** was given a \$10 penalty on behalf of her husband for scheduling an appointment with Terry at 8am the day back from his vacation. **Margaret Cooker** was given a \$10 fine for only have 10 Sees Candy orders, **Jon Hove** offered a \$20 fine for having his trucks all over town, and **Dwight Johnson** now has \$20 less in his pocket by only playing 2 holiday songs per hour on his radio stations.

**Kevin Kane** was asked just how many buses can park over by Costco, that blocks traffic and makes it hard to drive through. The answer was 12. The fine was \$12.

**Don Lager** offered the biggest fine of the day of \$100, in penance for Terry having to see the Midway truck all over town, and driving really slow so he has to constantly stare at it.

Finally, **David North** was given a \$50 fine even though he wasn't at the meeting, because he was smart enough to move from DCB to Alaska USA, right before it was sold.



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2016-2018 .....	Dwight Johnson
Immediate Past President .....	Ben Tafoya
Treasurer .....	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary/Foundation/Administration ...	Margaret Cooker
Publicity/Public Relations .....	Kevin Kane
Club Service & President 2018-2020 .....	Brad Letner
Community Service .....	Victor Rocha
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/Scholarships .....	Van Young
Vocational Service .....	Ryan McEachron

### Members-at-Large:

Steve Orr • Mark Taylor • Dan Dever • Rob Kilpatrick • Jon Hove  
Rosanne Weathers • Steve Murray • Russ Stringham

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary .....	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Billing Officer .....	Rosanne Weathers
Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
Song Master .....	Al Castellucci
Programs .....	Mike Page
Wine, Jazz & More .....	Rosanne Weathers
Public Safety Awards.....	Teresa Coomes
R.Y.L.A./TLC.....	Ryan McEachron
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Marie Langley
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest .....	Ron Boyd
Four Way Speech Contest .....	TBD
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Robin Cackler
Flowers and Gifts .....	Trish Johnson
Joshua Tree Editor .....	Chris Ackerman

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

<b>MONDAY:</b>	San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	Rancho Cucamonga Sunrise, 7:15 a.m. Empire Lakes Golf Course Rancho Cucamonga, 12:00 p.m., Etiwanda Gardens
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	High Desert/Hesperia Club meets 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St., Hesperia Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick 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 Domingo's 1520 Main St, 13853 Seneca Rd, 2:00 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	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
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## Calendar Dates

### Dec. 11: Board of Directors Meeting

5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting  
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor  
Hesperia and Silica Roads

## Future Rotary Programs

**Dec 12:** Sophie Smith, Economic Development  
Director, City of Victorville **TOPIC- "Inside  
SCLA"** (North)

Helendale S.T.A.R. Students  
TLC Report

**Dec 19:** **TOPIC- "From Strip-O-Grams  
to Strio Mining - A High Desert  
Journey"** (Letner)

**Dec 26:** **DARK**

## Who is Rotary?

The "better answer"

We're a leadership organization of local business,  
professional and civic leaders.

We meet regularly, get to know each other, form  
friendships, and through that, we're able to get  
things done in this community.

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