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Club of Victorville, CA 

THE JOSHUA TREE

DECEMBER 6, 2016

Teacher Mini Grants 2016/2017

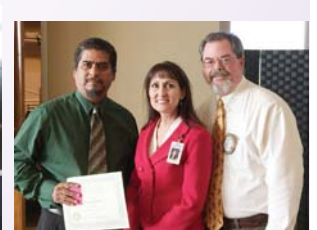


This week we held our annual Teacher Mini Grants luncheon, honoring teachers from our Victorville area schools, who show ingenuity and creativeness in teaching. **Alicia Anderson** from Excelsior Charter Schools, was on hand to emcee the proceedings.

The grant a teacher can receive is up to \$300.00 and the teacher must provide a budget and certifies being unable to find funds anywhere else except his/her own pocket.

Some of these innovative programs include Geometry, Math and Physics on a Pool Table, One World Taiko Japanese Drumming, EV3 Robotics, 100 Mile Club, Teaching STEM with Legos, and Bluegrass in the Schools to name just a few.

This year, \$19,800 was awarded to teachers from Excelsior Charter Schools, Helendale School District, Oro Grande School District, Victor Elementary School District, Victor Valley Christian School and the Victor Valley Union High School District. Our members raised over \$10,000 as well as sponsorship money from **Shear Realty, ICR Staffing, Dwight Johnson, Jim Mettler, Mark Taylor, Donna Wells, Jon Hove, Marie Langley, Ryan McEachron, David North, International Paper, Jim Barnes, Kevin Kane, Margaret Cooker, Terry Caldwell, Kevin Porter, Russ Stringham, and Stew Anderson.**



This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	Van Young
Flag Salute:	Brad Poiriez
4-Way Test:	David North
Song:	Al Castellucci



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Dwight's Writes

Wow, what a crowd! If you attended this week's luncheon, you know I am referring to a room overfilled with teachers, administrators and Rotarians.

Thank you to all Rotarians who gave up their seats to make sure all of our invited guests had a place to sit.



First Lady **Trish Johnson** was busy over the weekend making some special cookies for some special people! This week we honored **David**

North and **Margaret Cooker** for their birthdays!

Van Young shared that there are Angel Tree Tags still needing Rotarians. There are many needy children in our area that they need your assistance. Only two weeks left to get a tag (or two, or three), buy a gift, and get it over to the Salvation Army office.



We were blessed this week to have President **Sharon Rodriguez** and Chili Chair **Kathie Martin** from the Rotary Club of Apple Valley present us with a \$200

check for our 3rd place finish in this year's Happy Trails Chili Cook-Off.

In this season of giving, I will ask that you keep Rotarian **Gene Gregory** in your thoughts and prayers. Gene is at home with his wife Kay Marie with Parkinson's Disease. If you would take the time to contact him and just say hello, it would surely lift his spirits. He can be reached at 760-503-1904 or email kmkg5371@charter.net.

Finally, my thought of the week is "Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do." - John Wooden

Rotary Guests

Along with a full room of teachers and school administrators, we also had some guests and potential members in attendance.

David North invited **Rob Boosman**, **Marie Langley** brought **Carrie Dixon** and **Steve Orr** had **Cari Thomas** from the United Way at his table.

From the Rotary Club of Apple Valley, we welcomed **President Sharon Rodriguez** and **Kathie Martin** for their check presentation.

Finally, our stand-in this week was **Lori Clark** for **Maureen Mills**.

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$14.00

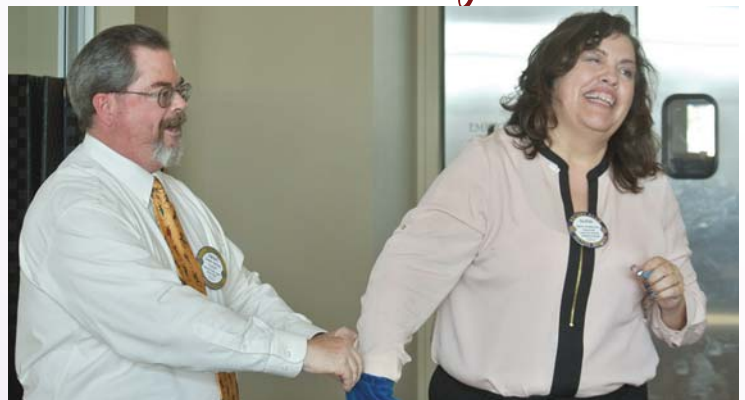
Polio Pig: \$9.00 + Dice (Alicia Anderson): \$5.00 = \$14.00

Collected to Date: \$13,837.40

Total equals: 88,722 Doses!

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

Lucky Blue Dice



Alicia Anderson returns to the Club and gets a chance for some big money! She unfortunately drew white...

Next week we will have 12 dice and \$250 up for grabs for the one lucky Rotarian who can select the blue dice.



Raffle Prizes

Our teachers were the big raffle winners and deservingly so! Two pairs of tickets to the upcoming VVC performance of "The Christmas Carol" from **Dr. Roger Wagner** went to a couple of instructors at the luncheon. Teachers around the room also took home a download card for the new Rascal Flatts Christmas Album from President **Dwight Johnson**, and a water infuser and a light extender from **Rosanne Weathers** at DVMG. Light extenders also went to **Corey Beck**, **Dr. Ron Williams** and **Cindy Espinoza**, principal at Helendale Elementary. Cindy also went away with a Beck Oil lunch bag from **Corey Beck**.

Marie Langley won a download for the new Jennifer Nettles Christmas Album from **Dwight Johnson** and **Bill Edwards** from the Victor Valley Rescue Mission gave away a 3-Tier Platter Set, that went to..of course... **Gary Adams!**

Spoon of Exemption



Marie Langley had her first week with the spoon for December and began by giving us all a short introduction. Desert Valley Hospital, an innovative 148-bed acute care hospital located in the Victorville, has a long standing reputation for providing state-of-the-art quality health care in a seamlessly integrated model along with Desert Valley Medical Group, the largest multi-specialty medical group in the area since 1985. Their Urgent Care facility is now open 7 days a week from 8am - 8pm, and a great place to stop by if you have not gotten your flu vaccine yet.

Christmas Party 2016





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 Flowers and Gifts Trish Johnson
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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 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.

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

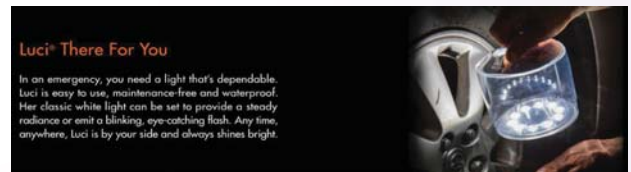
FRIDAY: San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

Future Rotary Programs

- Dec 13:** **Christmas Music Program - University Prep** (Johnson) + STAR students from Helendale and Oro Grande
- Dec 20:** Amateur Historian, Fire Chief, Apple Valley Fire Protection District, Sid Hulquist **TOPIC: "Exploring the Mojave Desert's Historic & Prehistoric Sites"** (Page)
- Dec 27:** **DARK**
- Jan 3:** Colonel Taylor, Fort Irwin **TOPIC: "Fort Irwin"** (Letner)



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FROSTED \$22.14 each pick-up or plus postage Dec 2015 SALE \$20.00



COLORS \$27.54 pick-up or plus postage Dec 2015 SALE \$25.00



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