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# THE JOSHUA TREE

December 15, 2015

Rotary  
Club of Victorville, CA



## The 4-Way Test Belongs in the Senate

This week Senator Sharon Runner started her presentation to the Rotary Club of Victorville by stating what a good idea it would be to start every Senate meeting with a reciting of the Rotary 4-Way Test.

Sharon Runner is a businesswoman and advocate, and currently represents the 21st District in the California State Senate. A lifelong resident of California, she is proud of her roots and is dedicated to serving her community and state.

Sharon was first elected to the State Senate in 2011, representing Los Angeles, Ventura, Kern and San Bernardino counties. She was the seventh Republican woman in California's history to be elected to the State Senate.

Sharon was elected to the California State Assembly in 2002, and served as a proud and effective advocate for her constituents through 2008. Her primary focus was public safety, education, and children's issues, including the foster care and adoption community.

In her first term of office, Sharon was appointed as Assistant Republican Leader by former Republican Leader and current Congressman Kevin McCarthy. She also held key fiscal leadership positions, serving as the Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee and as a member of the Budget Committee and Budget Subcommittee on Education.

Of her extensive list of public achievements, Sharon was the author of California's Proposition 83, or Jessica's Law, which passed with 70 percent voter approval and created the nation's toughest sex predator laws.

To learn more about happenings in Sacramento, sign up for "The Runner report" e-newsletter at [www.sharonrunner.com](http://www.sharonrunner.com).



### This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	Van Young
Flag Salute:	Sam Lucia
4-Way Test:	David North
Song:	Al Castellucci



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### Tafoya Talk...

Thank you to everyone who came out to hear our State Senator Sharon Runner. It was a very informative meeting. Remember Rotarians, as we come into a presidential election year, it is imperative

that you get out support your nominee, whichever party you vote for.

**Brad Letner** came up and shared he will be heading up our new Literacy Program "Read by Kindergarten", starting in 2016! This program will focus on "eradicating poverty through literacy". The Club will focus on teaching preschoolers how to read early through the use of computer programs. One way to support this new program is to buy some LUCI Solar Lights through the club. They make great holiday gifts and are perfect for the yard, camping and much more. Get them at a discounted price today and support your local Rotary programs!

Finally, **Chris Ackerman** came up and gave a little teaser on his talk for next week, "Growing Up Hollywood". Chris will be sharing stories of growing up as the son of actress Elinor Donahue and producer Harry Ackerman. He will be sharing stories on humbleness, honesty and integrity, along with some humorous anecdotes on his unique life. To go along with his talk we will be raffling off an autographed copy of his mom's out of print Autobiography/Cookbook!

This will be our final meeting of 2015, so please come out, invite a guest or two, and lets close out this Rotary year in style!

### The Polio Pig...

**Collected this week: \$14.25**

**Collected to Date: \$12,861.73**

**Total equals: 87,789 Doses!**

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

### Fine Session

**Jim Barnes** was our Fine Master this week but due to the large amount of raffle gifts this week, kept the fines at a minimum. Gary Adams was given a \$5 fine in celebration of his anniversary as a Rotarian, and Jim gave David North a \$10, because it was apparent in the sharp looking suite David was wearing, he was sure to make some big money this week!

### Angel Tree 2015



**Thank you to all Rotarians to made this year's Angel Tree Project such a huge success! The Salvation Army offices and sanctuary is overfilled with toys and gifts for the needy in the High Desert!**



## Rotary Guests

This week we welcomed Victor Valley Chamber of Commerce President, **Michele Spears**, and **Pastor Paul Earle** brought **Marlena Coason**. We were honored to have **Eugene Gregory**, Honorary Past President of our Rotary Club, and his wife **KayMarie Gregory**. Finally our speaker **Senator Sharon Runner**, brought two of her Reps, **Donna Termeer** and **Rebecca Tension**.

## Raffle Prizes

This week we had another full table of raffle gifts and the big winners were **Dr. Hough**, **Margaret Cooker** and **Gary Adams** (no surprise).

**Stew Anderson** donated some trail mix that went to **Dr. Hough** and **Margaret Cooker**, but Margaret wasn't done just yet! She also went home with Coco Mix from Stew, Ontario Reign tickets from **Russ Stringham** and homemade honey from **Michele Spears**! Not to be outdone, **Dr. Hough** was rewarded for all of her gifts by talking home a tin of cookies from **Ben Tafoya**, a DCB Journal from **David North** and a gift bag from the Salvation Army. **Gary Adams** also won a gift bag from **Van Young**, the \$25 Midway gift card, as well as a calendar and a USB cord, both donated by **Dr. Hough**!

**Alica Anderson** won one of the coveted VVTA Bus USB Drives from **Kevin Kane**, and **Violette Roberts** went away with two prizes; some holiday decorations from **Dr. Hough** and a copy of "The Transparent Leader", from **Dwight Johnson**. Finally **Victor Rocha** hit the triple prize of winning 3 different times, all of them being holiday decorations from **Dr. Hough**!

## November Membership Award



For the month of November there was a 5-way race for the Ignite membership award. In the race were **Dr. Hough**, **Van Young**, **Kevin Kane**, **Russ Stringham** and **Al Castellucci**. With the flip of the coin, **Dr. Hough** was the winner and received a \$25 Costco gift card and **Van Young** came in second, receiving a \$5 Starbucks card.

## Lucky Blue Dice



**Van Young** was the lucky Rotarian chosen to have some extra Christmas money, but once again, the money awaits for another Rotarian.

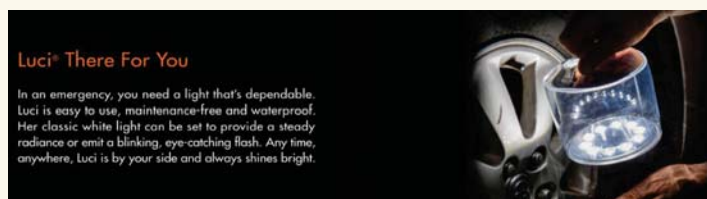
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The Victorville Rotary Club meets every Tuesday for fellowship at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12:00 noon at the Green Tree Golf Course Clubhouse, 14144 Green Tree Blvd., Victorville

### Make-up Days and Locations

<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 Hesperia, 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	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.
<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 High Desert, Mimi's Cafe, Victorville, 7 a.m.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## CALENDAR DATES

- Jan. 2:** **Foundation Dinner**  
Double Tree Hotel, Ontario, CA  
Rotary Intl. President in Attendance
- Feb. 7:** **Super Bowl Party**  
TBA - at the Stingham's Fellowship at 2:00pm
- Feb. 8:** **Valentine's Dinner**  
Following Board Meeting • TBA

## Upcoming Rotary Programs

- Dec 22:** Chris Ackerman, Signify Designs  
**TOPIC: "Growing Up Hollywood"**  
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- Dec 29:** **Dark...Happy New Year!**
- Jan 5:** Don Lager, Owner, Midway Home Solutions **TOPIC: "The History of Midway Appliance Solutions"**  
(Tafoya)
- Jan 12:** Dr. Tomas Morales, President California State University, San Bernardino  
**STAR students Discovery & Irwin**  
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