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Behind the Water Glass: The Science of Water



Lance Eckhart, P.G., C.H.G., Principal Hydrogeologist
Mojave Water Agency

“The Mojave Water Agency is a regional wholesale water provider created by High Desert voters in 1960 and governed by a seven-member elected Board of Directors. The MWA serves 4,900 square miles in San Bernardino County including Barstow, Lucerne Valley, The Victor Valley, Yucca Valley and surrounding communities.” <http://www.mojavewater.org/>



Have you ever wondered how much water we really have in the High Desert? Or what kind of chemicals are found are in our groundwater? Does anyone know? The Mojave Water Agency does. They use science to make sound decisions to ensure a sustainable water supply for the region. MWA uses extensive monitoring and sampling programs, its scientific investigations, and its vast data repository, to determine the answers to these questions. The water resources arm of the MWA employs geologists, engineers, data analysts, planners, technicians, and even chemists to determine how the available water is managed. Surprisingly, water sampling has been steadfastly done in our area in wells for over 100 years!!

Lance Eckhart gave a profoundly interesting presentation on the acquisition and resourcing of water to ensure water continues to flow into the high desert region from the San Joaquin Delta now and into the future. Who knew what a challenging and complicated process this is!

★ **CLUB ASSEMBLY** ★

January 14

To vote for President 2016-2017 and approve
Steve Murray's BOD for 2014-2015

THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Caroll Yule introduced our guests this week. We welcomed Roseanne Weathers and Jeff Salkin of CBS Radio (Orr) and Reuben Duckworth, guest of Al Castellucci. Sitting in for members were Yvonne Hester for Kirby Brill and Manny Manahan for Rick Hampton. Our speaker, Lance Eckhart, was a guest of Mike Page, who also introduced the program.

Thank you to today's Functionaries



Invocation:	David North
Flag Salute:	Sam Lucia
4-Way Test:	Stew Anderson
Song:	Al Castellucci

PLEASE JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY FOR FELLOWSHIP AT 11:30 A.M. BEFORE OUR MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER AT NOON.



Russ' Rap

Ben Tafoya had a one-word comment for the Christmas Party at **Steve and Pam Murray's** home... "Outstanding"! Judging from the applause, all who attended agreed.

Margaret Cooker reported on two matching grants we have asked for, and are awaiting approval. **Margaret's** Literacy Grant is top on her list.

Russ presented Chandra with a monetary gift for her un-failing quality of great service every week! Applause!!

Congratulations to Mark Layton for receiving his Blue Badge... finally! How long has he been sitting at that back table helping our Club out each week??

FINE AND RAFFLE SESSION:



Mark Taylor had a fun **Caroll Yule**-type game to play, using Christmas trivia, all while looking dapper in his suit and Christmas tie! Wrong answers imposed a \$10 fine, correct answers allowed the member to pick the next victim. Only a few Rotarians were hit: **Holly Noel**,

Mike Page, **Al Castellucci**, **Don Lager** and **Margaret Cooker**.

Doug Robertson earned a \$10 fine for plugging the City of Victorville during question/answer time with the speaker. **Dwight Johnson** and **Sam Lucia** each had an anniversary, netting them each a \$10 fine, and **Mike Page** was hit for \$10 for neglecting to introduce guest Yvonne Hester.



Raffle prizes this week were too numerous to mention the winners, but we like to thank our donors: **La Chartreuse**, **Shred Your Docs**, **Apple Valley Transfer & Storage**, **Shear Realty**, **H&R Block**, **Dr. Hough**, **Boys & Girls Club of Victor Valley**, **Morgan Stanley** and **PrintMart**.

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LUCKY BLUE MARBLE



Ben Tafoya took home only \$5, leaving \$400 and 10 marbles for the first lucky picker of 2014!



January Member Birthdays

Ross McEachron	Jan. 6
Dick Cole	Jan. 8
Jim Murray	Jan. 10
Ginger Ontiveros	Jan. 13
Jerene Creason	Jan. 19
Ron Kabalin	Jan. 29
Susan Drake	Jan. 30
Ryan McEachron	Jan. 31

January Partner Birthdays

Lori (David) Keck	Jan. 1
John (Margee) Powers	Jan. 2
Bob (Mary) Teran	Jan. 2
Inger (Doug) Robertson	Jan. 5
Melanie (Robert) Lovingood	Jan. 19
JoAnn Kroencke	Jan. 21
Sharon (Mike) Page	Jan. 22
Susan (Matt) Drake	Jan. 30
Susan (Kevin) Porter	Jan. 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Cliff & Mary Harris	Jan. 1
Jim & Becky Phillips	Jan. 1
Eldon & Sharon Heaston	Jan. 10
Mike & Sharon Page	Jan. 21

Club Anniversaries

Terry Caldwell	Jan. 2
Jim Murray	Jan. 3
Jon Hove	Jan. 4
Kevin Porter	Jan. 5
Ben Tafoya	Jan. 5
Robert Lovingood	Jan. 6
Tony Cooker	Jan. 7
Kirk Riding	Jan. 7
Matt Drake	Jan. 8
Ginger Ontiveros	Jan. 10
Brad Harris	Jan. 29
Caroll Yule	Jan. 29
Cliff Harris	Jan. 30





may you know
the comfort & joy
of God's
presence this
Christmas
season & always!



Our last meeting brought comfort and joy to some of our favorite people, and to many of our community's children.

Thanks to Chandra for her year of great service, and take a look at our Finemaster's beautiful Christmas tie!! Nice, Mark!



Congratulations to Mark Layton for receiving his long-awaited official blue badge! Was a fun-filled final Rotary Club meeting of 2013!



Ben, we know you'll enjoy your takings from the Raffle!

Your Attention, Please...

Victorville has 16 new Paul Harris Fellows - making us a 100% PHF club again (last time in the 1980s). They are: Jim Barnes, Ron Boyd, Rick Hampton, Brad Harris, Cliff Harris, Mary Hennessy, Eddie Hernandez, Dave Keck, Steve Kim, Sam Lucia, Mehdi Mostamedi, David North, Steve Orr, Doug Robertson, Mark Sawyer, and Todd Sturges. Congratulations new P.H. Fellows!



It was a wild and exuberant auction for the January Spoon of Exemption between Carroll Yule and Russ Stringham. Carroll prevailed with a bid of \$100!

WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

Collected this week: \$19.00

Tripled by Gates Foundation: \$57.00

Collected to Date: \$10,194.15

Total equals: 83,375 Doses!

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

**SPOON OF
Exemption**

Mark Sawyer

Mark's last push to sell Boys & Girls Club Raffle tickets is NOW. The many wonderful raffle items will be drawn for on December 23rd. He thanked all Rotarians who purchased tickets, and the Club in general for supporting the Boys & Girls Club all year long.



VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

Board of Directords

President & Immediate Past President.....	Russ Stringham
Treasurer	David North
Executive Secretary	Margaret Cooker
Incoming President/Membership	Steve Murray
Club Service & President 2015-16	Ben Tafoya
Community Service	Mark Layton
Youth Service	Ginger Ontiveros
Vocational Service	Jim Barnes
International	Dan Dever
Foundation	Margaret Cooker
BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttelwerth

Members-at-Large:

Dwight Johnson • Bob Basen • Rob Kilpatrick • Kevin Porter • Mark Taylor

Positions & Committee Chairs 2013-2014

Sergeant At Arms.....	Gary Adams
SongMaster	Al Castellucci
Club Activities	Ben Tafoya
Membership.....	Steve Murray
Programs	Mike Page
Publicity/Public Relations	Dwight Johnson
Scholarships	Ginger Ontiveros
Wine, Jazz & More	Ben Tafoya
Cards and Calls	Gaylynn Stringham
Newsletter	Mary Teran

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
Rotaract, 2nd Mon., VVC Student Activities.
- 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 R&S Beverage Co., 17500 Adelanto
Rd., Adelanto.
San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow,
Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon
University Prep, 7th and Forrester, 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
Victor Valley Sunrise, Coco's, Victorville, 7 a.m.
Rotaract, 4th Thursday, VVC Student Activities.
- FRIDAY:** San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.



Important Dates

Mark your Calendar!

- Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve - (DARK no Rotary meeting)
- Dec. 25:** Merry Christmas!
- Dec. 31:** Happy New Year! - DARK (no Rotary meeting)
- Jan. 3, 2014:** R.I. Foundation - Ontario Double Tree - Black tie - RI President Ron Burton will be in attendance
- Jan. 14:** Club Assembly
- Jan. 25:** RYLA Facilitator Training - Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce

IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR JOSHUA TREE LINK VIA EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT MARY TERAN TO GET ADDED TO THE EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST.

UPCOMING

ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Dec. 24:** Dark (no meeting)
- Dec. 31:** Dark (no meeting)
- Jan. 7:** T.B.A.
- Jan. 14:** Bill O'Keeffe Safety Awards / Brentwood Career Exploration Program



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