



Rotary 

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The Joshua Tree

December 18, 2018

S.T.A.R. STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

For the final Rotary meeting of 2018, the Club honored students from 6 schools in the Victor Valley.

Over at Brentwood School of Environmental Studies we awarded **Lauren Caldwell** and **Jacqueline Frierson**, both who have excelled this year as students. At Challenger School, **Angel Haro** and **Braison Lake** were recognized for their improvements in both attitude and school work.

Angelina Arriaga and **Ericka Gillium** at Del Rey Elementary were honored with certificates for being positive role models to their classmates. Across town at Discovery School of the Arts, **Destiny Reed** and **Bryce Woodcock** were S.T.A.R. Students due to their leadership qualities.

At Endeavor School of Exploration, **Brooke Foulks** and **Shylah Sabori** were recognized for their growth, both personally and academically. Finally at Mountain View Montessori Charter School, **Nika Lyons** and **Trevor McSween** have pushed themselves academically to get much better scores.

Congratulations to all students and their teachers for these great honors!



This Week's Functionaries

Invocation:	David North
Flag Salute:	Bob Basen
4-Way Test:	Ron Boyd
Finemaster:	David North

MURRAY'S MUMBLINGS



The year is winding down and so is our Rotary Club for 2018, but what a way to wrap it up with a packed room for our first S.T.A.R. Student full program! Congratulations to all of these young students for being recognized in their educational improvements.



As a reminder we will be dark the next two weeks, as the Christmas Day and New Years Day both fall on Tuesday's! We will reconvene on January 8th when we will hear from Victorville's City Manager **Keith Metzler**, as he will talk about his first year in that position. We will also be welcoming in some new members to start the new year off right!

I was honored this week to say a huge thank you to the staff at El Pescador for all the hard work they do every Tuesday



for our luncheon and their generosity in gift certificates to go along with student awards!

In behalf of your Board of Directors as well as Pam and myself, we want to wish all Rotarians a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! See you in 2019!



SPOON OF EXEMPTION

Arsalee Morales had her final time with the Spoon and wished all members a Merry Christmas and reminded everyone that the Apple Valley Communications December Security System Special is still going on. Get more information at applevalleycommunications.com.



It was then time to auction off the spoon and the mic was handed off to our resident emcee **Chris Ackerman** who started the bidding at \$50 that was taken by **Steve Orr**, and then **Dwight Johnson** upped it to



\$75. Then **Pastor Paul Earle** got involved. The bidding between Steve and Pastor Paul went back and forth until Pastor Paul got the Spoon for \$140!



CLUB ASSEMBLY



The Club has spoken! **Margaret Cooker** led our Club Assembly this week and we are proud to announce our Club President for the 2019 - 2020 Rotary year will be none other than **Steve Orr** and heading up our Club in 2020-2021 will be **Arsalee Morales!** Congratulations to both of you for stepping up and leading our Club into the future!

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LUCKY BLUE DICE



The Blue Dice is safe for the New Year! Brad Poiriez had a chance to grab the big money, but drew another white dice and donated his \$5 winning to the Polio Pig.

We will continue on January 8th with 12 Dice and \$250 for a Rotarian who can grab the Blue Dice!

FINE SESSION

This week, Finemaster **David North** began the session by fining \$5 to **Jon Hove** for making fun of S.T.A.R. Student Nika Lyon's cat ears and **Steve Orr** was also given a \$5 penalty for having the nerve to bid up **Pastor Paul Earle** for the Spoon!

Next it was time for another round of Christmas Trivia! Sadly all questions asked were answered correctly were saved from fines! Those who answered correctly were **Capt. Rick Bessinger, Dwight Johnson, John Kroencke** and teacher **Mr. Higgins**, who knew that gingerbread houses were inspired by the fable Hansel and Gretel.

RAFFLE PRIZES

For the final raffle giveaway for 2018, **Dwight Johnson** was a big winner, taking home a Christmas goodie bag courtesy of **Steve Murray** at Bob's Tire, and the \$25 gift card from **Don Lager** at Midway Home Solutions. **Donna Wells** didn't do too bad herself, by leaving the meeting with some holiday M&M's from Dwight and a \$25 Starbucks gift card from **Steve Orr**. **Ryan McEachron** also won a \$25 Starbucks card from Steve. Thanks to everyone who brought Raffle Prizes in 2018!

ROTARY GUESTS

Joining us with a room packed with family and teachers for the S.T.A.R. Student Program, we were also joined by **Dulcee Canseco** from Kindrid Hospice who attended with **Lauretta Tkaczyk** and upcoming members **Keith Metzler**, our speaker on January 8th and Fire Chief Captain **Greg Benson**.

Finally, we were so proud to have **Linda Scott**, Bill's wife in attendance at the meeting.

THANK YOU ROGER



The Club gave a standing ovation this week to our own **Dr. Roger Wagner**, who retired as President of Victor Valley College on Friday.

We don't know Roger's plans yet, but he has been not only a valuable asset to the Club, but as well to our community as a whole. We hope you don't go to far, and we see you more often than not at our Tuesday Rotary meetings.

THE POLIO PIG

Collected this week: \$49.96

Polio Pig: \$44.96 + Dice (Brad Poiriez): \$5.00 = \$49.96

Collected to Date: \$15,982.49

Total equals: 93,013 Doses!

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



VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

Board of Directors

President 2018-2019	Brad Letner
President 2019-2020	Steve Orr
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Treasurer	Donna Wells
Executive Secretary/Foundation/Administration ...	Margaret Cooker
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Community Service	Dwight Johnson
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Youth Service/RYLA & TLC	Rob Kilpatrick
Vocational Service/Speech Contests	Dr. Breada Leach
Scholarships.....	David North
George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest	Ron Boyd
Membership.....	Jon Hove

Members-at-Large:

Mark Taylor • Dan Dever
Steve Murray • Russ Stringham • Don Lager

Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD Secretary	Marilyn Buttelwerth
Corporal At Arms	Arsalee Morales
Programs	Mike Page
Public Safety Awards.....	Rick Bessinger
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Marie Langley
S.T.A.R. Students	Jim Barnes/Robin Cackler
Fundraising/Flowers and Gifts	Teresa Letner
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

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 Adelanto 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 Domingos, 1520 E Main St, 12:00 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.

CALENDAR DATES

- Jan 14:** **Board of Directors Meeting**
5:00pm Fellowship • 5:30pm Meeting
DCB Board Room, 2nd Floor
Hesperia and Silica Roads
- Feb 23:** **Rotary Peace Conference**
8:00AM • La Verne College
Registration now open

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Dec 25:** **DARK**
- Jan 1:** **DARK**
- Jan 8:** Keith Metzler, Victorville City Manager
**TOPIC: "My First Year as City
Manage"** (McEachron)
- Jan 15:** **Public Safety Awards**
- Jan 22:** San Bernardino County Supervisor Robert
Lovingood (McEachron)
- Jan 29:** **Evening Meeting**
- Feb 5:** Bud Green **TOPIC: "What you don't
know about the 40,000 babies
born with heart defects each year
in the USA!"** (Page)

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