

December 31, 2018

A (HALF) YEAR IN REVIEW

With 2018 coming to a close, it has been quite a first half of the Rotary year for our Club. In July, **Brad Letner** was sworn in as our new President, in which was supposed to be a two year term, has now become a one year term, due to

a career change for him. We also began the Rotary year by saying goodbye to one of our own, with the passing of the beloved **Gary Adams**. Gary was



honored posthumously as the Rotarian of the Year at **Dwight Johnson's** Demotion party, that was accepted by Gary's widow **Carole Adams** and son **Gary Adams, Jr.**

We began this year with our "5th Tuesday Evening Meetings", where we meet for an after work mixer on any month with five Tuesdays. So far we have had get together's at Republic in Spring Valley Lake and the Rusty Bull in Apple Valley.

Thanks for **Mike Page** we had a wonderful array of speakers at our luncheons, starting in July with Mike's



wife **Sharon Page** from The HR Edge who spoke on the #MeToo Movement, former Club member **Caroll Yule** who spoke on the residential Real Estate Industry and in September we heard from **Jason Lamoreaux** from Coldwell Banker Commercial on that end of the spectrum.



Elected officials spoke to our members as well, as we received a return visit from State Assemblyman **Jay Obernolte** who gave an update on the happenings in Sacramento and in December we hosted State

Senator **Scott Wilk** who shared information about incoming Governor Gavin Newsom.

All in all, the luncheon that got the most excitement from members was not even from a person but a dog! In November we met Raider, a 3 year old bloodhound with the Sheriff's K9 Unit, who proceeded to go out onto Green Tree Golf Course and



"catch" Rotarian David Placencia.

When we meet again it will be 2019, and we look forward to rounding out the rest of the Rotary year with some great and engaging luncheons, off-sites and "5th Tuesdays:.



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



2018 is drawing to a close and for those who truly know me will understand when I say, "Thank the Lord for that!" I am praying in Faith that this new year will be a wonderful time in growth and spirituality not only for me and my family, but for our Club as well.

2019 will be my 4th year as Editor of the Joshua Tree along with proof reader "Eagle Eye" **Margaret Cooker.** We work extremely hard each and every week to bring you the latest on Rotary news and happenings within the Club and member activities.

As with our speakers, if there is something you'd like to see in this Newsletter, please let Margaret or myself know. I always want to improve our weekly publication but cannot do it unless you let me know how we can make it better.

As I look back this part year, one speaker stands out to me more than any other. That was when we had retired Judge **Kirt Mahlum** speak to the group. When he arrived, he was but a stranger to me, but soon became a person who helped me with advice and comfort during a challenging part of my



personal life. Without the Rotary Club, our paths may have never crossed.

Well, that is it for now. See you all Tuesday, January 8th

for our first Club meeting of 2019 and look forward to another great (half) year as your Editor!

Ackerman









OFF-SITE MEETINGS

Along with our regular Tuesday luncheons and our evening meetings, occasionally a member will host an off-site at their business or organization. These are great opportunities for a member to bring Rotarians into their workplace and show off all of what they can offer not only to members but the community as well. In this half-year so far we have had off-site meetings at both Life Church with **Pastor Paul Earle** and Apple Valley Communications with **Arsalee Morales**. If you'd like to hold your own off-site meeting, please see **Mike Page**.









A (HALF) YEAR IN PHOTOS































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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 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

Mar 16: Rotary Foundation Gala 6-9pm • Las Vegas, NV The Club is paying for the tables. Sign up at club or contact Margaret Cooker

UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS

- Jan 8: Keith Metzler, Victorville City Manager TOPIC: "My First Year as City Manager" (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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