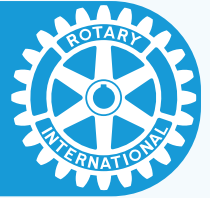




# The Joshua Tree



July 9, 2024

## MWA'S WATER DELIVERY SYSTEM

The Club heard from **Mike Simpson** this week, who shared information on how water from the Mojave Water Agency is delivered to our area. Mike serves as the MWA's Director of Engineering and Operations.



Due to a such a wet late 2022 and early 2023, the Agency was given 100% allocation of water to use. The allocation amount varies each year. For example, this year, the allocation amount from the State Water Project is 40%, around 40 acre feet.

The Mojave Water Agency is one of 29 State Water Contractors with access to the State Water Project. The MWA was created by High Desert voters in 1960 and is governed by a seven member elected Board of Directors. The Agency is responsible for managing the region's water resources to ensure a sustainable supply of water for present and future use.

The State Water Project is a multi-purpose water storage and delivery system, stretching over 700 miles. It delivers clean water to 27 million Californians, 750,000 acres of farmland and businesses throughout the state.

2023 was a record year for the Mojave Water Agency. In one year alone they delivered and recharged 99,471 acre feet of water. Of that amount, 89,800 came from the State Water Project and the remaining water was supplied naturally from mountain snow and rainfalls.

Water delivered by the project originates primarily in the Sierra Mountains in Northern California and is pumped into the project from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta near Stockton. Some of the water is delivered to water agencies in the Bay Area and along California's central coast, but a majority of the water is delivered to be stored in the San Luis Reservoir. From there, water travels through the California aqueduct down the Central Valley, over the Tehachapi and San Gabriel Mountain ranges, passing through the western Mojave Desert and into Southern California.

The Agency's service area is over 4900 square miles in size, with 170 miles of pipeline. The pipeline size varies in places ranging from 20" to 54" in diameter and is cement mortar lined with thick, coated steel.

For more information, please visit [mojavewater.org](http://mojavewater.org).

### This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation:** Bill Edwards
- Flag Salute:** Darron Poulsen
- 4-Way Test:** Chris Ackerman
- Fine Master:** Ryan McEachron



## GILLESPIE'S GAB

Welcome to a new Rotary year! I am honored to serve as your President this year and am excited for our

new Board to work as hard as ever to make our Rotary Club the best and most active throughout the District.

Thank you to Mike Simpson from the Mojave Water Agency for stopping by at such



a short notice this week to provide such an informative program. We appreciate your hard work to share with our members how the water gets delivered.

We are in need of a program for July 23rd. Ryan McEachron will be subbing for Mike Page, so please reach out to Ryan for a program idea.

Movie Night at the Hove's is this weekend on July 13th at 6:30pm! Jon and Linda will be showing the 2007 movie "August Rush" and will have dinner for everyone. Please sign up to bring an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert for everyone to enjoy!

*Bryan*

## Club Assembly

A Club Assembly was held this week, led by **Margaret Cooker** and President **Bryan Gillespie** to vote on the Club and Foundation Boards and the budgets for the both. All four votes were met unanimously in the positive.

For the Club Board of Directors a motion was made by **Ryan McEachron** and seconded by **Bill Scott**. For the Foundation Board, a motion was made by **Chris Ackerman** and seconded by **Jon Hove**.

To approve the Club's 24-25 Budget, a motion was made by **Ryan McEachron** and seconded by **Jason Lamoreaux**. For the Foundation Budget, a motion was made by **Jon Hove** and seconded by **Bob Basen**.

Please take time to familiarize yourself with the 24-25 Board of Directors and Officers on page 4.



### Proposed Member

*If you protest the admission of this member please respond in writing by 5 p.m. July 22 to President Bryan Gillespie.*

**Walt Alvarez**

**El Dorado Broadcasters**

**VP/Marketing**

**Classification: Marketing:Radio**

**Sponsor: Mike Page**



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## Big Blue Poker Chip



*Bill Scott had the chance to pick the Blue Poker Chip, and picked a green one and saved the chance for another Rotarian. We will continue next week with 4 chips and \$475 for the one lucky Rotarian who has their ticket drawn.*

## Rotary Guests

This week we welcomed Mojave Water Agency PIO **Charlene Engeron** who joined speaker **Mike Simpson**. **Chris Ackerman** brought his Marketing Assistant **Tisha Lopez** to the meeting and El Dorado Broadcasters Sales Manager **Walt Alvarez** joined us as well.

Our only Stand-In this week was **Mike Bracco** for **Randy German**.

## Spoon of Exemption

**Jim Murray** had his second week with the Spoon and continued to share information about Bob's Tire Service, a family-owned and operated business since 1951. Specializing in services for passenger cars, light trucks, RVs, and medium & heavy-duty trucks, they have established a strong reputation in tire services, brakes, and alignments, while also offering a wide range of other services. For more information, you can call them at 760-245-3333 or visit their website at bobs-tire.com.



## Fine Session

**Ryan McEachron** served as our Fine Master this week and began by fining **Mike Page** \$10 because he was referred to as "Mr. Page" by speaker **Mike Simpson**. **Bill Scott** and **Jon Hove** received checks from **Margaret Cooker** so 10% was taken by the Fine Master. This resulted in \$27 for Bill and \$37 for Jon.

**Bill Edwards** promoted the latest Rescue Alliance Graduation which resulted in a \$10 penalty and since **Jason Lamoreaux** was wearing the same shirt that Ryan owns, Jason was given a \$10 fine since they obviously shop at the same place.

## Raffle

Congratulations to **Ryan McEachron**, who was a big winner in this week's raffle, leaving the meeting with a swag bag of Flagstar Bank goodies from **Mike Johnson**, a Bob's Tire koozie from **Jim Murray** and a Victor Valley Transit bean bag phone holder from **Chris Ackerman**.



Jim also won a bean bag phone holder and donated a "mystery prize" that left the meeting with **Bill Edwards**. Mr. Johnson also raffled off a retractable knife that will be used by Jim. Bill also received a bottle of wine from **Bob Basen**.

Finally, **Jason Lamoreaux** will enjoy the Red Rock RV backpack he won, courtesy of **Russ Stringham**.

## The Polio Pig

**Collected this week: \$14.00**

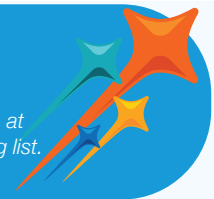
*Polio Pig: \$9 + Dice (Bill Scott) \$5 = \$14.00*

**Collected to Date: \$20,556.33**

**Total equals: 102,091 Doses!**

**One dollar equals 2 Doses of Vaccine!**

**\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!**



## VICTORVILLE ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

### Board of Directors

President 2024-2025 .....	Bryan Gillespie
President 2025-2027 .....	Bill Edwards
President 2027 - 2028 .....	<b>Please be Interviewed</b>
Immediate Past President .....	Steve Murray
Executive Secretary/Foundation/Grants .....	Margaret Cooker
Treasurer/Scholarships .....	David North
Youth Services/Ethics Essay .....	Ron Boyd
Club Service & Membership .....	Bill Edwards
Community Service/Speech Contests .....	Mike Johnson
Vocational Service .....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>
International Service.....	Ben Tafoya
Member At Large, Young Leaders Contact.....	Arsalee Morales
Member At Large, Special Projects .....	Rob Kilpatrick

**Members-at-Large:** Bob Basen, Darron Poulsen

### Positions & Committee Chairs

BOD/PP Secretary.....	Pam Murray
Special Billing .....	<b>TBD</b>
Public Service Awards .....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>
Teacher Mini-Grants .....	Angel Espino
Dan Stover Music Contest.....	Angel Espino
Joshua Tree Editor .....	Chris Ackerman
Read B4K .....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>
Foundation & Grants .....	Margaret Cooker
Food Baskets.....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>
Interact (Junior Rotary).....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>
Programs .....	Mike Page
Fundraising .....	Stefanie Montoya
S.T.A.R. Students .....	Angel Espino
Club Learning Facilitator.....	<b>Please Volunteer</b>

The Victorville Rotary Club meets every Tuesday for fellowship  
at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12:00 noon at the Bear Valley  
Country Club, 13229 Spring Valley Parkway, 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
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, DiNapoli's Firehouse, 1358 E Main St, Barstow, CA
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	Apple Valley, Rusty Bull, 13685 John Glenn Rd, Apple Valley, Noon. Ontario, 12:15 p.m., Doubletree Hotel San Bernardino, Denny's at I-15, 7 a.m. Redlands, Masonic Temple, noon
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## Calendar Dates

- July 13: Movie Night at the Hove's**  
Home of Jon & Linda Hove • 6:30pm  
18970 Appaloosa Rd, Apple Valley  
Movie: August Rush (2007) PG
- Aug 12: Board of Directors Meeting**  
5:00pm Fellowship  
5:30pm Board Meeting  
Location: Robar Enterprises  
17671 Bear Valley Road, Hesperia, CA
- Aug 12: 2023-2024 ReadB4K Backpack Giveaway**  
10:00am  
VESD Family Resource Center  
Located off Mariposa Road  
*Please join this celebration and show your support of this program*

## Upcoming Programs

- July 16:** Dr. Derek King, Superintendent  
Excelsior Charter Schools **TOPIC**  
**"Charter Schools 101"** (Page)
- July 23: OPEN**
- July 30: 5th Tuesday Evening Meeting**  
TBA
- Aug 6:** Marisol Escalante **TOPIC "TBA"** (Page)
- Aug 13:** Jonathan Weldy, Silverwood Director  
of Development **TOPIC "Silverwood Development"** (Page)

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