

Rotary



The Joshua Tree



October 8, 2019

A 9 MONTH JOURNEY TO A BETTER CALIFORNIA

24 Authored Bills. 9 Signed. 3 on the Governor's desk. The rest vetoed or forgotten about. That is what a year is like for Assemblyman **Jay Obernolte**. This is his life from January through September each year, and once again joined us this week to share the good and the bad happenings in Sacramento.

Let's start with the bad. Jay is not happy about the passing of AB5, coming in January 2020. This bill puts some strict classifications on whether someone is an independent contractor or classified as an employee, where anyone who does work that is considered core to the company, cannot be an independent contractor but has to be an employee. What this bill will effectively do is hurt the employee working for themselves as independent contractor.

Drivers for Uber and Lyft will be hurt the most. When Jay was starting his video game design business 30 years ago at MIT, this Bill would not have allowed his business to get off the ground. Now with 28 full time employees, he wonders how many will never get to see their business dreams thrive because of AB5.

Another Bill that Jay feels that can hurt California

will be AB1487, which will impose rent control on landlords for a maximum cap of 5% per year plus inflation. For those who have a 12 month lease it will be harder to get rid of them unless the landlord can prove in court that they violated the lease in the 12 month period. This will have a two prong negative effect. For most landlords they would usually keep rents level until they had to do a major improvement like a new roof, and then raise rents to cover the costs. Now they will have to raise the rents 5% each year, instead of waiting 3 years and then raise rents by 10%. Also, due to the lease issue, landlords will have to make sure their renters are top notch individuals, and the days of giving a young couple a chance to prove themselves will be out the window.

On the other hand, some good things happened this year. As the Vice Chairman for the Budget Committee, Jay was happy to report that for the first time in decades, the State of California has a surplus of 21 Billion Dollars! Even better, a portion of that money will be set aside in case the State goes into another recession.

Jay also fought against and won a fight to have a water tax on drinking water that would have been added to your water bill. He feels drinking water should be tax free for everyone, plus they don't need a tax due to the surplus

A lot of courthouses have shut down in his District, but Jay was happy to report a big win with the Access to Judges Initiative, where there will be now 25 new Judges statewide, with San Bernardino County getting 11 of them, and that will help reopen closed courthouses over the last decade.

All in all **Jay Obernolte** felt he had a very successful legislative session and will continue to represent you, his constituents towards the bureaucracy of government.

From all of us at the Rotary Club of Victorville, we wish Jay and Heather Obernolte success in his bid for Congress in 2020!



This Week's Functionaries

Invocation: **Chris Ackerman**

Flag Salute: **Greg Benson**

4-Way Test: **Dwight Johnson**

Finemaster: **David North**

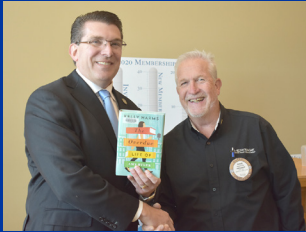
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ORR'S ROARS



Thank you to our Assemblyman and possibly 2020 Congressman Jay Obernalte along with wife Heather, who shared with us all of the happenings in Sacramento over this past year.

Make sure you pick up your Luci Lights from Stew Anderson. These great solar LED lights are perfect for camping, decorating, and work well for the upcoming night of trick or treating! Get some for yourself or as a gift for someone. All monies go back to the Victorville Rotary Foundation.



We are looking for sponsors for this year's Teacher Mini-Grants! A Mini-Grant is up to \$300 and we'd like to give out as many as possible this year to our wonderful teachers with innovative learning programs. Please See Alicia Anderson for more information.

Don't forget we will be having an Avenues of Service meeting next Monday before our regular Board Meeting, so make your plans to attend if you serve there.

See you next week!

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Raffle

Paul Earle was the big winner in this week's raffle, taking home a Pop Socket from Heritage Victor Valley, a \$25 Midway gift card from **Don Lager**, and 4 passes to the Apple Valley Air Show from **Dwight Johnson**. Also receiving Air Show passes included **Jim Mettler** and **Bowtie Brian**, while **Keith Metzler** also took home a gift card from Midway Home Solutions.

Another Paul, **Dr. Paul Stanton** will be putting up a Reagan Ranch Calendar, while **Jim Mettler** will get healthier with his Heritage Activity Tracker he won from **Steve Orr**.

Finally, **Terry Caldwell** will enjoy an Ontario Reign Ice Hockey game this weekend with the ticket package he won from **Jim Mettler** at Cal Portland.

Fine Session

As everyone knows, Fine Master **David North** bleeds Dodger Blue, so it was no surprise when he fined **Dwight Johnson** \$20 for cheering for the Nationals win in the recent series. **Keith Metzler** received a fine of \$20 for not knowing who the Congressman was before Paul Cook (answer: Nancy Pelosi), **Bowtie Brian**



also lost the same for his promo of the Simba Center, while **Chris Ackerman** left the meeting with \$20 million less in his wallet for not knowing this month is his 2 year anniversary as graphic designer for Coldwell Banker.

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Big Blue Dice



Dwight Johnson came, saw and drew the Blue Dice and walked away with a whopping \$350!

We begin anew next week with 14 dice and \$200 for the lucky Rotarian who can pick the Blue Dice out of the bag.

Spoon of Exemption

Mike Page was back with the Spoon and once again used his time to promote the upcoming 28th Annual St. Mary Gala which will be held on October 9th at the Hilton Garden Inn. This year they are raising funds for 12 stationary and 30 mobile cardiac monitors to catch heart issues faster and in the process, to save more lives. They have already raised \$200,000, but need another \$280,000 more to meet their goal!

More than 60,000 patients every year need cardiac monitoring in the St. Mary Emergency Department. Cardiac Monitoring is required for common major health challenges such as heart attack and stroke. Additionally, Cardiac Monitoring is also needed for less known health challenges such as blood infections, unexplained fainting and more.

One way they are raising money is through some great opportunity drawings including a \$575 Disney gift card (\$25/ticket), trip for 2 to Hawaii (\$35/ticket) and a \$5,000 Midway Home Solutions Makeover (\$50/ticket)! Contact **Lezli Roberts** at 760-946-8189 for more information.

The Polio Pig

Collected this week: \$40.60: *Polio Pig: \$36.00 + \$1.60 + Bob Wyatt: \$1.00 + Ron Williams: \$2.00 = \$40.60*

Collected to Date: \$16,730.72 • Total equals: 94,633 Doses!

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

Team Leadership Camp



This December, 8th graders will learn to manage time and lead themselves at the 2019 TLC Camp weekend, but they need leaders to guide them there, and that is where you are needed! **Margaret Cooker** shared that the District is looking for Individuals to be an Advisor for this year's weekend, where you will guide 6-8 students to another level in their development as future leaders. Have your "Rotary Moment" and be an Advisor for TLC! See Margaret to sign up.

Rotary Guests

Joining us this week for a full house we welcomed Jay Obernolte's lovely wife **Heather Obernolte**, plus **Jon Hove** had his wife **Linda Hove** with him to hear our Assemblyman.

Esther Mears had two full tables of DCB managers for the meeting including her boss **Ovi Cak**, and **Isabel Natividad**, **Chris Vasquez**, **Revel Herron** and **Cindy Toms**.

Mike Page invited a slew of guests including **Jason Lamoreaux** from Coldwell Banker Commercial, **Bob Wyatt**, **John Kozyra**, and **Randy Castillo** from St. Mary.

Dr. Ron Williams had **Ramiro Rubalcaba** and **Antoine Hawkins** at his table, **Corey Beck** invited **Eric Swanson** representing the Cisco Network and **Kevin Kane** was joined by **Debra Jones**.

Kristin Acosta was joined by **Dan Walden** and **Chris Nunez**, plus President **Steve Orr** welcomed **Garret Berghold** from the Daily Press and **Ross Savy**.

Finally, we were honored to have at our meeting retired teacher **Ernestina Escatin** and **Stefanie Montoya** from Options for Youth.



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Dwight Johnson • Jon Hove • Rob Kilpatrick

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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, Rositas, 540 Main St, 12:00 p.m.
THURSDAY:	Apple Valley, Rusty Bull, AV, 1st, 2nd and 4th Thurs 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

Oct 28: Past Presidents' Meeting

5:30 pm • El Pescador Bar

May 1-3 2020: Assembly and District Conference

Assembly May 1, Conference May 1-3
Westin Pasadena
191 N Los Robles Ave., Pasadena, CA 91101
(626) 792-2727

Nov 14: 2019 Peace Conference

8:30am - 1:30pm
Treasure Island, Las Vegas
Sign up on DaCDB.com

Upcoming Rotary Programs

Oct 15: City of Victorville Fire Chief Greg Benson
TOPIC: "Mental Health Challenges for 1st Responders; A Growing Epidemic" (Page)

Oct 22: OPEN

Club Assembly

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Change in Directors Vocational Service (Leach to Nyamwange)

Club Bylaws • Foundation Bylaws

Foundation Policy and Procedure for Assisting Community
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