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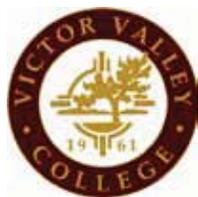
## VVC's Model U. N. Group Represents Saudi Arabia in 2014 Conference

The United Nations (UN) is an intergovernmental organization established on 24 October 1945 to promote international cooperation. Model United Nations (also Model UN or MUN) is a conference similar to the United Nations in which students participate as delegates to various UN Committees. Participants research and formulate political positions based on the actual policies of the countries they represent (Wikipedia, 2014). The students participate as delegates of the U.N. They research and discuss global issues intensively, while learning the skills of diplomacy and interacting with students from around the world. The NYC Conference brings over 4,000 students from over 53 countries! Our Rotary Club sponsors the MUN with a \$500 annual contribution, and judging by this year's presentation, this is money well spent in our community.

This year's team represents the Kingdom of Saudi, Arabia. Members discussed the dynamics of a Gulf Coast Cooperation (consisting of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, and U.A.E.) with an informative Power Point program.



Cathy Abbott proudly introduced the MUN team for Ginger Ontiveros of VVC. Members (from left) President Mike Cormier, Marlene Sanchez, Olivia Warren (Rotaract member), Victorville Rotary Club President Russ Stringham, Dillon Lesovsky (from Congressman Cook's office), and Joseph Agnew (Vice President).



### Thank you to today's Functionaries



**Invocation:** Gary Adams  
**Flag Salute:** Mary Hennessy  
**4-Way Test:** Ron Hughes  
**Song:** Al Castellucci

## THIS WEEK'S GUESTS



Guests were introduced this week by Dwight Johnson. We welcomed Gary Moore of Alaska Credit Union; Allissa Johnson, visiting Rotarian from LA5; Jennifer Edwards of Victor Valley Animal Hospital (Boyd); and Aaron Moore and Fidel Gonzales of the Victorville Transit Authority (Kane).

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

HERE'S AN IDEA... Arrive early (11:30) to Rotary each week and exchange business cards with other business professionals.

M. Cooker



## Mark Your Calendar



Home of  
Steve & Pam Murray  
Perfect opportunity to bring  
a prospective guest to learn  
about Rotary!

**April 24th \* 5:30-8**

**Pot Luck: Bring  
Hors d'oeuvres / Desserts**



### Rotary District 5300 Summary as of March 16, 2014:

Last Quarter Strategies:

- ◆ Continue membership growth
- ◆ Foundation goal - \$400,000 (contest to gain another 100 PHF)
- ◆ Foundatin giving
- ◆ Polio goal - \$500,000
- ◆ Leadership continuity
- ◆ Public image awareness
- ◆ Facebook satellite Club awareness



Go to Facebook.com. In search bar type in:  
Rotary Club of Victorville.

## LUCKY BLUE MARBLE



Margaret Cooker took it all  
home this week! \$700 \$\$\$

Next week...

**\$200 - 14 marbles**

### April Member Birthdays

Gerald Lundberg	April 3
Martha McCarthy	April 3
Sylvan Young	April 6
Stringham, Gaylynn	April 8
Bill Scott	April 15
Tony Cooker	April 17
Russ Stringham	April 23
Alicia Anderson	April 23
Matt Drake	April 25
John Hulterstrom	April 27

### April Partner Birthdays

Trish (Dwight) Johnson	April 1
Ann (Gene Gibs) Lippard	April 4
Patricia (Steve) Orr	April 10
Elizabeth (Brad) Harris	April 30

### Wedding Anniversaries

David & Lori Keck	April 1
Russ & Gaylynn Stringham	April 9

### Club Anniversaries

Jerene Creason	April 1
Mary Teran	April 1
Paula Porter	April 6
Mehdi Mostaedi	April 8
Todd Turoci	April 9
Rob Kilpatrick	April 12
David North	April 17
Ryan McEachron	April 21
Todd Sturges	April 22
Bill Scott	April 22
John Wilkins	April 24
Jennifer Starbuck	April 27



**FACILITATORS BADLY NEEDED.  
CONTACT STEVE MURRAY OR RUSS.**



## Russ' Rap

**President Russ** welcomed LA5 Rotarian Allissa Johnson, remarking on her Club's enthusiasm at PETS. Lots of Rotary stuff happening; so be sure to get your name on the clipboards going around at our meetings. A few items needing attention were announced between Russ and Steve:

**Pantry items** - will be delivered before Easter to St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Victorville.

**District Assembly** - in two weeks at Victor Valley College. Very important to learn about Rotary's leadership. The RYLA Facilitator Training and Foundation Grant seminar follow the District Assembly.

**Fireside** - April 24th at **Steve and Pam Murray's** home. Bring a prospective member!

**Fellowship** - try to arrive early at meetings and bring a business card to exchange with another member!

**Superbuild** - **Steve** has the information packets for anyone wishing to assist in building houses in Mexico.

**"H. D. Huddle"** - May 7th at Victor Valley College. Amazing keynote speaker, aimed at school aged kids to learn about Rotary and its importance in the community. Open to members and prospective members of High Desert Rotary, Interact, and Rotaract Clubs.

**Holly Noel** announced this year's Electric Lawnmower Exchange April 12th from 8 a.m. to noon at the S.B. County Fairgrounds. For information, contact 866-646-4652.



### April Spoon Auction

TEN bids were placed between **Cathy Abbott for VVC and Dwight Johnson for Pastor Earle...** resulting in a \$235 bid for Life Church!



*Craig Garrick*



Spoonholder **Craig Garrick** founded Southern California Aviation in 1999, focused on transitioning commercial aircraft from one owner/operator to another. The company is now the largest employer at SCLA with 250 workers and contracts for light transitional maintenance on some 220 aircraft for roughly 100 active customers around the world including Boeing, FedEx and United.

## RAFFLE SESSION:

Nice raffle prizes were handed out by **Russ** and **Steve Murray**, thanks to Rotary donors. **John Kroencke** took home a Gift Bag from **Desert Valley Hospital** and a **Gentiva Hospice** Mystery Bag; **Shred Your Docs** Baskets were won by **Margaret Cooker** and **Ryan McEachron**.



Prior to pulling the winning raffle coupon, **Russ** announced there has been a reserve placed on the "Spoon of Exemption" by **Craig Garrick**, and only **Dwight** and **Russ** know the amount. This made for a bidding war, ultimately won by **Pastor Paul Earle** via **Dwight Johnson**.

Congratulations to **Margaret Cooker** for taking home the BIG PRIZE this week... \$700!!

## District Assembly for the 2014-2015 Rotary Year

April 05, 2014 - Victor Valley College

Network with club leadership teams and enjoy fellowship with Rotarians in District 5300. Registration begins at 8:00 am and the event starts at 9:00 am.

Assembly is open for all District 5300 Rotarians, and President-Elect Steve Murray hopes to see his entire Board in attendance.

## WHAT'S IN MARGARET'S CAN??

The Gates Foundation will match two-to-one, up to US \$35 million per year, every dollar Rotary commits to reduce the funding shortfall for polio eradication through 2018. So far, the goal has been met already, and the matching will begin again in 2015 by Gates.

Collected this week: \$36.00

Collected to Date: \$11,041.15

Total equals: 84,961 Doses!

One dollar equals 2 doses of vaccine!

\$500 pays for a Polio Clinic!

## BRING YOUR CANS TO ROTARY!!

Please remember to bring in your canned and dry goods for needy high desert families. This is an ongoing, annual Food Drive, and a recipient organization will be chosen quarterly.



## 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

<b>MONDAY:</b>	San Bernardino East, Imperial Palace, noon Rotaract, 2nd Mon., VVC Student Activities.
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	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. University Prep Interact Club, 1:45 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	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.
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	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.
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m. Rotaract, 4th Friday, noon, VVC Student Activities



### Important Dates

## Mark your Calendar!

**April 5:** District Assembly - Victor Valley College - **See Pg. 3 - CLUB PAYS**  
**RYLA Facilitator Training follows immediately**

**Apr. 24:** **FIRESIDE** - Home of Steve and Pam Murray. Sign up at meetings.

**Apr. 25-27:** **RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)** YMCA Camp Whittle, Fawnskin (See Pg. 2 for information)

**May 3:** **Superbuild Project - Corezon, Mexico**

**May 15-18:** **District Conference - Palm Springs**

Hilton Palm Springs



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### UPCOMING

## ROTARY PROGRAMS

- April 1:** Captain Jon Marhoefer, High Desert Detention Center, S.B. Sheriff's Dept.  
**Topic: "S.B. County Corrections and Prison Realignment"** (Lucia)
- April 8:** **Panel Discussion:** "Impact of Common Core on Teacher Preparation Programs, Teacher Professional Development, and K-12 Student and Parent Support (Dr. Hough)
- April 15:** Caroll Yule, Owner/Broker, Shear Realty  
**Topic: "What is Your Home Worth NOW?"** (Page)

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