



# THE JOSHUA TREE



March 29, 2016

## A Tour of Asphalt, Concrete, and Steel

This week Rotarians were treated to a fabulous tour of Robar Enterprises, with our host, owner **Jon Hove** and his family. Jon's companies consist of Smith Ironworks, Endura Steel, AsCon Recycling, Ready Mix Concrete and Hi-Grade Materials.



Our first stop was at Smith Ironworks where we met with Production Manager **Larry Hunnicut**. The



company started in 1981 and specializes in structural fabrication, custom fabrication as well as some ornamental decorative iron. They have 12 employees, all certified welders. A big part of the company is structural reinforcement of buildings to be sure they are up to new standards and codes. Recent projects include Desert Valley Hospital and High Desert Church.

Next we were off to Endura Steel with boss **Dave Edwards**. Endura Steel began in 1971 and they handle steel work for the construction industry, as well as medical,



aircraft, military and even race cars! They form, plate and angle steel, aluminum and tubing.

AsCon, which is for Asphalt and Concrete Recycling is used as a recycling plant for old roads and driveways. The pieces are brought

to the site and then crushed into road base, which is then re-used for new roads, driveways, paths, concrete and even dirt race tracks.

The next stop was to the Hi Grade Materials Lab where we met Stephen, the head lab technician. Here is where they test the physical attributes of the aggregates to make sure they are up to standards and codes for strength and well as durability.



Finally, we met with **Tom Craig** of Ready Mix, where we were able to view the dry powder silos where water, rock, sand and cement come together to mix the perfect concrete. The concrete is mixed in an

upstairs dispatch office where any color can be chosen to make the finished material.

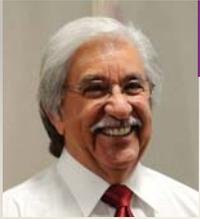
The Rotary Club of Victorville would like to thank Jon Hove, his family and staff for a wonderful and informative tour.

### This Week's Functionaries

- Invocation:** Van Young
- Flag Salute:** Mark Taylor
- 4-Way Test:** Stew Anderson
- Song:**



Be a gift to the world



## Tafoya Talk...

**Ben Tafoya** was absent once again this week at our off-site meeting at Robar Enterprises, so **Margaret Cooker** filled in for our small group.

District Assembly is coming up soon on April 9th at Sitting Bull Academy. This is a great chance to get to know other Rotarians from other clubs outside of the High Desert! There will be members from other clubs throughout California, as well as Nevada. This is a great time to share ideas and thoughts and to see what is making other Rotary Clubs successful. Please see **Dwight Johnson** for more information.

The 2016 Super Build is coming up on Saturday, April 30th down in Mexico, this year, Rotarians from all over our District will be gathering to build, in one weekend, two homes and a community building! Best of all, we will hand over the keys to the families while we are there. A worthwhile opportunity to be a part of. Please sign up on the District 5300 website, on the DaCbd.com calendar or email [robin@smithteamlasvegas.com](mailto:robin@smithteamlasvegas.com) for more information.

Please save the date of April 28th, as there will be a Fireside Chat on April 28th with **Steve and Pam Murray**. The time, location and more information will be available very soon.

## April Birthdays

<b>Van Young</b>	<b>April 6</b>
<b>Bill Scott</b>	<b>April 15</b>
<b>Mattie Brown</b>	<b>April 16</b>
<b>Tony Cooker</b>	<b>April 17</b>
<b>Russ Stringham</b>	<b>April 23</b>
<b>Alicia Anderson</b>	<b>April 23</b>
<b>Jennifer Starbuck</b>	<b>April 27</b>
<b>John Hulterstrom</b>	<b>April 28</b>

## Spoon of Exemption: Pastor Paul Earle

The gang at Life Church was absent for their final time with the Spoon, recovering from a busy Easter weekend at the church, but **Dwight Johnson** stood in for them, sharing the wonderful service he attended with his family for Easter. Dwight shared that everyone should take some time to see Pastor Paul Earle preach, truly inspiring.

**Dan Munsey** held the raffle for the Spoon for April and started the bidding low, with **Marie Langley**, now with Desert Valley Medial Group, taking the opening bid of \$25. From there **Van Young** got involved and upped the bid to \$45, and then **Chris Ackerman** and **Dan Munsey** agreed to share a bid of \$60, but in the end, **Van Young** wanted it the most, and took the Spoon for \$100. Look for news and information about the Salvation Army for the month of April.

## Lucky Blue Dice



Once again with \$250 in the pot and 12 dice to choose from, this time **Violette Roberts** had the winning grab and took the blue dice out of the bag!

We start over next week with 14 dice and \$200 up for grabs for one lucky Rotarian.



## Fine Session

**Dan Munsey** was back as our Fine Master and had a few people on his radar to fine. First up, he fined **Margaret Cooker** \$5 for having him do all of the work of spoon auctioneer, raffle host and Fine Master, all while he had to miss out on the great food!

**Robert Lovingood** was issued a \$5,000 fine for arriving late to the meeting... unless he had a good excuse. Luckily Robert was prepared, as he was previously at an event honoring Vietnam Veterans in Adelanto, so his fine was dropped to \$5. After repeated warnings at our meetings, email blasts and in this newsletter, **Marie Langley** was fined \$5 for wearing high heel shoes to our tour, walking through cement, dirt, sand and gravel at Robar Enterprises!

Finally, to the eleven people who signed up for the off-site and didn't show, get ready...

## Raffle Prizes

Everyone was a winner this week at our off-site meeting at Robar Enterprises and their companies. Everyone in attendance received a set of pens, a koozie and a new Endura Steel T-shirt!

**Gary Adams** was also a big winner, by starting off winning a Go Lunch kit from **Marie Langley**, as well as tickets for the upcoming Pet Expo in Pomona from **Dwight Johnson**. Gary also won a Hi-Grade t-shirt along with **Violette Roberts**, **Mark Taylor** and **Dwight Johnson**, and two sets of candles from **Dr. Hough**! **Mark Taylor** also won a set of candles and **Dwight Johnson** received a paperweight from **Dr. Hough** as well. Finally, **Dwight Johnson** had 2 pairs of tickets for the upcoming production of "The Birds" at Victor Valley College, that went to **Mark Taylor** and our host this week, **Jon Hove**.

## Rotary Guests

Due to the fact that this week was an off-site meeting, we were a bit light on guests, but we did have a few. Our host **Jon Hove**, had his father, and former Rotarian, **Bob Hove** in attendance, as well as his son, and future Rotarian, **Harrison Hove** with us on our tour this week. **Robert Lovingood** showed up and brought along his Policy Advisor **Don Holland**. Our Stand-in's this week were **Tony Cooker** for **Dr. Hough** and **Violette Roberts** for **Eldon Heaston**.

## April Anniversaries

<b>Ryan McEachron</b>	16 Years
<b>John Wilkins</b>	16 Years
<b>Bill Scott</b>	15 Years
<b>Jennifer Starbuck</b>	12 Years
<b>Rob Kilpatrick</b>	9 Years
<b>Mary Teran</b>	9 Years
<b>Mehdi Mostaedi</b>	7 Years
<b>David North</b>	6 years
<b>Paula Porter</b>	6 years
<b>Todd Sturges</b>	5 Years
<b>Todd Turoci</b>	3 Years



CONGRESSMAN  
PAUL COOK

April 5, 2016  
12:00 noon

Members & Guests\*

\$19.00 in advance

Government Guests & General Public

\$22.00 in advance • \$25.00 at the Door

**Bids Open to Sit at Paul Cook's Table  
to benefit the Rotary Club of Victorville Foundation**

*Bidding not available to Government Guests.*

Call Margaret Cooker at (760) 243-5928 or  
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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

<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>	High Desert/Hesperia Club meets 7:00 a.m., Denny's, 14165 Main St., Hesperia Adelanto Club meets 2nd Wed. at Chamber Room at Maverick Stadium at 11:30 a.m., and the 3rd and 4th Wed. at Astro's Burgers, 11619 Rancho Rd, Adelanto at 8am. San Bernardino Crossroads, Hilton, noon, Barstow, Quigley's Outlet Center, Lenwood, noon University Prep, 13853 Seneca Rd, 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
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	San Bernardino North, Elks Lodge, 12:05 p.m.

## CALENDAR DATES

- April 9: District Assembly**  
Sitting Bull Academy  
19445 Sitting Bull Rd., Apple Valley
- April 15-17: RYLA 2016**  
Thousand Pines Camp, Crestline  
**Facilitators Needed!**
- April 21: Past Presidents' Dinner**  
Mama Carpino's, The Village in Apple Valley  
\$20.00
- June 25: Demotion Party**  
4:00 p.m. • Dever's Home, Apple Valley

## Upcoming Rotary Programs

- April 5: Congressman Paul Cook**  
\$19 members, \$22 others if paid  
in advance; \$25 at the door
- April 12: Melda Gaskins, Principal, Cobalt  
Institute of Math & Science, Topic -  
"An Introduction to a School Worthy of  
Praise." (Williams)  
S.T.A.R. Students from Village, West  
Palms Conservatory and Victor Valley  
Christian**
- April 19: Cari Thomas - United Way**  
RYLA students talk about their  
experience
- April 26: S.T.A.R. Students from Riverside Prep**

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