August 15, 2017

The Evening of Rotary

This week the Rotary Club of Victorville began a special meeting, "The Evening of Rotary", an idea that came about from the Program Committee. Whenever there is a month that has five Tuesdays in it, we will hold a evening get together at a local eatery in lieu of the regular weekly lunch meeting. This first meeting was a rousing success, with Rotarians, spouses, and guests enjoying areat food and drinks from Los Roberto's Mexican Restaurant in Victorville. We even received a visit from our District Governor Raghada Khoury! If you weren't able to attend this first event, please do not miss the next one!































Dwight's Writes



I'd like to start this week by thanking everyone who came to our first ever "Evening of Rotary". It was a great way to spend time with members of our Club in a more social

setting, and I want to thank Jose Ramirez and his wonderful staff at Los Roberto's for the wonderful food and to congratulate him on 25 years in business! It was also a great surprise to have our District Governor Raghada Khoury stop by for a visit!



This year's Wine, Jazz and More will be an event to remember. This is our single biggest fundraiser of the year to support all of our programs like Teacher Mini-Grants, Read B4K, Teen Leadership Camp (TLC), Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA), Star Student Awards, and many more!

Rosanne Weathers and the WJM committee are planning an outstanding evening of fun and great raffle prizes.

Tickets are \$50 and this event WILL sell out! If you cannot attend, please consider making a \$50 donation to help our club maintain our local programs!

Finally, my thought of the week is "Don't give up because things are hard, but work harder, when you think of giving up."

Rotary About Town



You never know when or where you will run into a fellow Rotarian. As Chris Ackerman mentioned in the last issue of the Joshua Tree, he has quite a successful career as a sports announcer, most notably in the area of speedway and flat track motorcycle racing.

This past weekend Chris was announcing Flat Track Racing at Perris Raceway and happened to run into none other than fellow Rotarian Jim Barnes, who was working in the pits with his brother Rich, who was racing in the Senior Class on his B & B Cycles Bike!

Rotary Guests

We welcomed three guests this week to our special "Evening of Rotary" event. **Aaron Korn**, the General Manager of Adelanto Stadium, came as a guest of **Chris Ackerman**, **Arsalee Morales** from Apple Valley Communications came with **David North**, and finally **Wasey Noori** from Congressman Cook's Office attended as an invited guest of our President **Dwight Johnson**.



Read B4K Ceremony

Rotarians recently gathered for the back to school ceremony for our read B4K students. Six out of our seven students brought family to demonstrate how much they learned over the summer while using the program at home. Before their first day of kindergarten, these students demonstrated the ability to read sight words and short simple sentences - while most beginning kindergarten students are still learning the alphabet!

Thanks to donations from the Rotary Club of Victorville, each student received a \$50 gift card for back to school shopping so they can begin the year prepared both academically and physically. Sign up now to volunteer for this year's program. Volunteer mentors or our greatest need for the past two years. Only one hour per month can make a huge

difference.

















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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 Maverick 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 Domingo's 1520 Main St,

13853 Seneca Rd, 2:00 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

Aug 23: WJM Committee Meeting

5:30 pm • Location TBD

Sept. 30: Wine Jazz and More

5:00 pm Wine Tasting • 6:00pm Dinner Spring Valley Lake Community Center 12975 Rolling Ridge, Victorville

\$50 per person

Future Rotary Programs

August 22: San Bernardino County Sheriff Deputy Asiah

Medawar, Victorville Station

TOPIC: "Homelessness" (Schuler)

August 29: Bob Dutton - Assessor - Recorder - County

Clerk, San Bernardino County

Sept. 5: Bill Larson, VP Marketing, Cal Portland

Cement, TOPIC: "Cal Portland
Cement Manufacturing" (Mettler)

Sept. 12: Janie Lynch, Recreation Supervisor and

Healthy Communities Coordinator, City of Victorville, **TOPIC:** "Ka BOOM Let's

Play" (Cooker) S.T.A.R. Students

Sept. 19: Col. Tony Marshall (USAF Refired)

TOPIC:"The Hanoi Hilton-Vietnam before it was Fashionable" (Taylor)

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