



The Rotary Club GOOD NEWS

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The Rotary Club of Menifee meets Thursdays at 12:10 p.m., Menifee Lakes Country Club, 29875 Menifee Lakes Drive, Menifee, CA 92584
Voted BEST local non-profit by Menifee Chamber of Commerce

CRACK POTS

An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots. She carried a pole across her neck with one pot hanging from each end. One of the pots had a crack in it, while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walk from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full.



For a full two years this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do. After two years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house."

The old woman smiled, "Did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side?"



"That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path. Every day while we walk back, you water them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table. Without your being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house."

Each of us has our own unique flaw. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding. You've just got to accept each person for what he or she is and look for the good. So, have a great day and remember to smell the flowers on your side of the path!

SAVE THESE DATES!

Mar 17 District Assembly
Mar 31 Roast the Governor
Dec 6 Official Governor's Visit
(Evening meeting with our partners)

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Things Rotary Club of Menifee Does

- Rotary at Work Day
- Community Cupboard
- Santa's Workshop
- Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)
- Student of the Month
- Student of the Year
- Elementary and Middle School Citizenship Awards
- MSJC Scholarships
- HS Scholarships
- Speech Contest
- Agua Zaraca Guatemala Water
- Los Uveros Dominican Republic Water
- Kamasettinhall India Water
- Group Study Exchange
- Shelter Box
- Menifee Elementary Spelling Bee
- Cub Scout Pack
- QV Crime Watch
- Dictionaries to 3rd Graders in Romoland/Menifee Elementary Schools
- Service Above Self Award
- Vocational Service Award
- Interact Clubs at Palomar Valley HS
- Polio Plus



Welcome new member **Stu Blaze!**

Rotary Four-Way Test Of the things we think, say or do ...

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Ivette Taylor

Craft Talk
February 16, 2012

Ivette Taylor said that, when she turned 30 years old last year, she was surprised that the sky didn't fall and that the world didn't end. Being 30 isn't so bad after all. In her craft talk Thursday, February 16, Ivette shared the events and people in her life that make her what she is today.

Having grown up in a single parent home may be a hindrance for some, but wasn't for Ivette. In her talk, she often said "My mom taught me...."

Teaching a college-level class at age 21, where the students older than she ridiculed her, helped her to be patient and handle difficult people. Besides her mom, another influential person in her life was her fourth grade teacher, with



whom she bonded. Their relationship continued through high school and her teacher took her to the East Coast for a "history lesson" prior to her 11th grade year, so Ivette would be prepared for American History.

There are three things Ivette wants people to know: There's a difference between options and choices; there's a difference between nationality and ethnicity and; "I speak Spanish, not Mexican!"

Ivette made an exciting announcement after telling us how she met her husband of two years, Jeremy, the love of her life: "We will be adding to our family with our first child in August!" Best wishes, Ivette, and thanks for a great program!

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The Rotary Club of Menifee proudly inducted new member, **Gregory Padilla**, at a recent meeting. Padilla is the Administrator of Menifee Valley Medical Center.

He came to Menifee in November 2011, bringing with him 25 years of experience in hospital administration and consulting for hospitals and firms in the El Paso, Texas, area. He is a native of Texas and is bilingual. He has earned two degrees from the University of Texas El Paso and the University of Dallas.

"I am very excited to become a part of the community and to serve it through Rotary."

Padilla is a former Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Laredo, Texas. Rotary is his way to give back to the community through service.



Front Row: Linda Callaway, Red Sullivan, Linda Denver, Don Lunday.
Back Row: Dan Marconi, Mayor John Denver, Bob Duistermars, Joe Smolinski, Paul David.

At the *Menifee State of the City* event, **Mayor John Denver** did a great job and made Rotarians quite proud! This is a good strong start to his term as Mayor and the news he shared is very encouraging for Menifee's future!



Darlene Tornoski, Program Director for Women Against Child Trafficking, spoke at the Rotary Club of Menifee recently.

She presented alarming information about the growing problem in the Inland Empire of young teens, between the ages of 12 and 14 years, being kidnapped and sold to human sex trafficking. Predators prey on teens on the internet, Facebook, and right outside their schools.

When girls are rescued, they are given a tote bag with clothing, toiletries, and food to help them while they are counseled in a shelter home.

See www.womenagainstchildtrafficking.org for more information or to donate. Contact number is (951) 440-6330.



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2012 Southern California-Nevada President Elect Training Seminar

Red Sullivan

The President Elect Training was held on February 24 – February 26, 2012 at the Marietta LAX Hotel. Several of the PRIPS, PDGs, and Trainers arrived Thursday night for registration, networking and to get ready for the next three days. The schedule was filled for the next two days with everything you would want to know about being the President of a Rotary Club. The sessions included elective class on Social Network, Fund Raising and Revitalization of the Clubs, and District Meetings, and that was only Friday. Saturday included Club Operations, Effective Meetings, Public Relations, and Club Goal setting. Fortunately, Sunday was quieter and less intense.

We also were invited to attend Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner meetings with the most inspiring and uplifting Speakers I have heard. The main speakers were as follows (to give you an example of the quality of the Training):

PRIP Ray Klinginsmith – Lunch Friday
Jean Irwin and Remy Glock – Dinner Friday
RIPE Sakuji Tanaka – Lunch Saturday
PRIP Rick King – Dinner Saturday
PRIP Cliff Dochterman – Brunch Sunday

Dinner on Saturday was quite exciting for me. I was asked to sit with RIPE Sakuji Tanaka at his table for dinner, along with other PDGs. All I could think about was not spilling my food or my drink and to remain a Lady. You will all be proud me I was a great representative for The Rotary Club of Menifee. Thank you for electing President and giving me this opportunity to grow and continue Service Above Self. Let's all Have Fun next year.

March Birthdays

3/12 Dennis Martin
3/14 Roseann Jackson

March Anniversaries

3/25 Joe & Karen Smolinski

2011-2012 Leadership

President—Paul David

President Elect—Carol “Red” Sullivan

Vice President—Linda Denver

Secretary—Dawn Prather

Treasurer—Mike Castillejos

Immediate Past President—Dan Marconi

Membership—Don Lunday

Foundation—Tom Yuzer

Club Administration—Carol “Red” Sullivan

Sergeant at Arms—Chuck Cena

District Governor—Steve Wallace

Assistant Governor—Don Lunday

Newsletter—Jan Lunday



Membership

BLAZE, STU—619-301-5211

Restaurateur

BOL, RUTH — 234-4319

Pediatric Dentist

CALLAWAY, DR. LINDA — 672-1851

School Superintendent

CARPENTER, TOM ESQ.— 654-7417

Attorney at Law

CASTILLEJOS, MIKE — 672-1971

Bank Manager

CENA, CHUCK — 679-5869

Investment Advisor

CROSBY, CAL “CROZ” — 246-2202

Realtor

DAUGHERTY, JOE — 679-3088

Tax and Bookkeeping

DAVID, PAUL — 246-3530

Health Club Trainer/Owner

DENVER, JOHN — 672-1731

Real Estate Broker

DENVER, LINDA — 672-1731

Retired Educator

GREENBERG, DR. JONATHAN—943-6369 x126

School Superintendent

HANDWERKER, JUDY — 672-9860

Fiduciary

HARRIS, WILLIAM “SHAWN” — 246-3336

Asset Protection Major Retail

JACKSON, ROSEANN—679-1128

Florist

LUNDAY, DON — 676-2640

Hospice Chaplain

MARCONI, DAN — 301-5333

Real Estate Sales and Investments

MARTIN, DENNIS — 926-4665

Tax Preparation

PADILLA, GREGORY—602-317-0338

Hospital Administrator

PRATHER, DAWN — 756-4888

Charity Management

ROARK, ROBERT “BOB” — 800-824-6561

Insurance Agency Owner

ROSILEZ, ANTHONY — 926-9244

School Principal

SMOLINSKI, JOE — 672-0777

Mortuary Management

SULLIVAN, CAROL “RED” — 672-1523

Clinical Research

TAYLOR, IVETTE — 679-2222

Financial Advisor

VINCENT, WILLIAM—333-8576

Education

WALKER, NORM — 6301-3776

Insurance

WILHITE, CHARLIE — 816-0420

Law Enforcement

WOLONS, DOROTHY— 672-1991

Chamber of Commerce CEO

YUZER, TOM — 679-8541

University Fund Raising

Honorary Members

BAUSTIAN, CAROLYN — 301-6071

LUSK, MERRY “MORY” — 679-0402

SOTERO, MARJORIE — 679-8211

WESTFALL, LINDA — 830-6380

WILLIAMS, REAGAN

WILSON, JIM—301-5604

WRIGHT, PAUL—679-3429

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