

50 Years

of Rotary in Yucca Valley

1958-2008

Just a few highlights to remember...

- *Chartered in January 1958
- *Brought 1st ambulance to Yucca Valley in 1958
- *Allowed wives to come to meetings as "Rotary-Anns" in 1960
- *Helped to start the rifle range in 1964
- *Provided lights for Desert Christ Park in 1968
- *Provided "club entry signs" into Yucca Valley in 1970
- *Helped with the new Hi-Desert Medical Center
- *Youth Fish Derby at Blue Skies Country Club
- *George Petro became Dist. Governor in 1976
- *1976 - Our club initiated the Four-Way Speech Contest
- *Built a BBQ in Joshua Tree in 1978
- *Instrumental in starting Boys and Girls Club
- *1982 - Raised \$150,000 to start the building of Copper Mountain College
- *Landscaped Triangle Park - more than once
- *CE "Dusty" Dilley also District Governor
- *Many annual sports and youth scholarships
- *Provided the High School band with uniforms
- *Turkey Shoot Contests
- *Provided the YV High School Marquee
- *Started Dreams for Kids project, continued today w/the BWF
- *Instrumental on building the BMX track
- *Pioneer Pass Golf Challenge - annual event
- *Annual Bike Ride for Shoes that Fit
- *Annual Fourth of July Fireworks celebration
- *Miss Yucca Valley Scholarship Pageant - annual event
- *Formation of our own YV Rotary Foundation
- *Joined other basin Rotary Clubs to recognize Firefighters
- *Joined other basin Rotary Clubs to bring Jerry Lewis and got District grant money for new Van for Reach Out Morongo Basin
- *Numerous international projects - Most recently, provided mosquito nets to help prevent malaria in African children

This list goes on and on - between the efforts of the club as a group or the individual Rotarians, we have made a difference.

This is "Service Above Self" - Thank you.