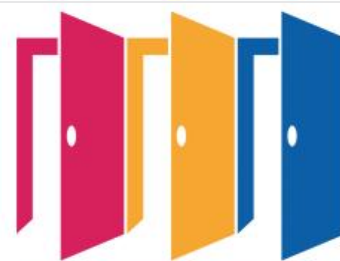


Rotary Club of San José Silicon Valley
For May 07, 2021
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ZOOM MEETING

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

Presentation: May 07, 2021



May 07, 2021
12:00 PM

**Helen
Baldivinos**

Let's Travel

Helen has been a travel agent for 34 years. She is passionate about travel and she feels both honor and excitement to be able to share her passion with others. Over the years, she has helped people travel through all of their milestones. While the pandemic has been a very trying time for all, it has hit the travel industry particularly hard. She has spent downtime educating herself on new destinations, clientele, processes and networking. She has been providing valuable information and giving presentations on the constantly changing policy of travel during Covid, providing tips on how to plan your travel, staying healthy while travelling and providing resources.

Free Bingo

Everyone has a chance to be added to drawing for a free bingo card for our Bingo social May 28th.

**Text the word "free" to
Brian Bianco (408) 309-3480**



Rotary Opens Opportunities



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In-Person Meetings

Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley will have its first in-person/ZOOM meeting at Kris Myers house 12:00-1:00pm. Our speaker Helen Baldivinos will join us via ZOOM. Members who will not join us in person will still be able to ZOOM in. Lou Bash has spent quite a few volunteer hours keeping us tech savvy for this in-person/virtual meeting.

We have not been able to meet in person for over a year so hopefully we will be able to see a lot of friendly faces!

Due to covid restrictions still in place and to keep things simple for Kris, please note the following:

- 1. Each person attending will be responsible for bringing their own food and beverage.**
- 2. We will wear masks during the meeting and social distance as much as possible as not everyone in the club has been fully vaccinated.**

Service Opportunities

Clean Creeks Coalition

April 24, 2021 The Rotary club of San Jose Silicon Valley joined with the Clean Creek Coalition For a work party on the Los Gatos River And nearby parking lot. Some of our club members helped with this effort!! Thanks Carol Goedde, Janette Rosales and Lou Bash!

Dates will be published when additional clean ups are scheduled. Anyone interested should contact Janette Rosales.

Holiday Project at Grant School



Elf costumes are not required, but are loved by the kids, young and old.

The final report was submitted and approved so the Foundation will be prepared to submit another grant request for DDF Funds.

These funds are used to provide a gift bag (containing a book, toy and candy cane) cookies and a class photo to every student at Grant Elementary School during the Christmas season.

All club members are asked to participate with bagging the items, delivering the boxes, handing out cookies or the most exciting part of the project; giving the gifts to the students.



Little Free Libraries Project

Next Committee meeting May 6, 2021, 5-6pm. If anyone wants to participate, contact Carol or Janette. This is a project that will offer a lot of opportunity for members and friends to participate.

Hunger at Home May 5, 2021

The Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley members volunteered for food distribution to those in need in San Jose. The four members, Brian & Steph Bianco, Kris Myers & Carol Goedde (President-Elect) were busy filling boxes with fruit & vegetables.

May 29, 2021

Our club will be participating again on May 29, 2021. Volunteers who may not be able to stay for a full shift, are welcome to contribute 2 hours. Anyone interested should contact Brian Bianco to get on the list and receive general instructions.

Rotarians of The Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley support the well being of our Asian neighbors and say STOP all acts of hate crimes.



This statement of support for our Asian friends and neighbors was published in The Bay Area Review in the April 7, 2021 issue



GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Book Fair

Online Shopping

470 JACKSON ST , SAN JOSE , CA 95112

Apr. 26 - May 9

Our Book Fair is online and helps our students discover new books, favorite characters, and more! Every purchase earns our school rewards for much needed resources. Plus, shipping is free on book-only purchases over \$25.

Thank you for instilling a love of reading and supporting our Book Fair!

Book Fair Goal

Grant Elementary School thanks you for helping us reach our sales goal. The profits earned will help enhance our library with current books for all students to enjoy!



500
Books



\$ 4,000
Book Fair Sales

RCSJSV continues the activity of donating a book on a weekly basis to [Grant Elementary School Library](#). Our Presenters for the week sign the book and have an opportunity to give words of encouragement to the students

\$\$\$\$\$ Happy/Sad \$\$\$\$\$

For May

Members are on the honor system.
Mail contribution payable to Rotary
SJSV to the treasurer at the start of
each month for the previous for the
previous month.

Brian Bianco
17995 Laurel Wood Lane
Morgan Hill, CA 95037
or

Venmo to: @Brian-Bianco-2

Note from Editor: If you have happy/
sad events you would like to an-
nounce to the club, send me an email
for the upcoming newsletter.

Foundation Board for 2020/2021

Chair — **Lou Bash**
President — **Jill Meyers**
President Elect - **Carol Goedde**
Treasurer (non-voting) —
Brian Bianco/ George Uccelli
Member — **Kris Myers**
Member — **Keri Rees**
Member—**Stephanie Bianco**



Leadership Team for 2020/2021

President: **Jill Meyers**
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(1 yr. remaining): **Kit Seymour**
Director
(1 yr. remaining): **Geri Hall**
Director
(2 yr. remaining): **Janette Rosales**
Director
(2 yr. remaining): **Diana Reinhart**

Bingo Winners April 30, 2021

We had 5 lucky Bingo winners!



Lou Bash
Brian Bianco
Jackie
Shreya Jani
Carol Goedde
Kris & Steph continue their luck with
not winning ever

Club Social

May 28th

6-7pm

Zoom ID: 885-6275-8074

PW: 821238

Activity to be announced

Grant Requests Finalized

The Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation Board finished the review process of all grant request submitted for the 2020/21 year. There were a few recipients who needed to submit additional information prior to approval, but we are so happy to announce that checks went out to the following recipients.

The Lord's Pantry	\$2,500
Feeding the Pets of the Homeless	\$5,000
Alum Rock Counseling Center	\$5,000
Triton Museum of Art	\$1,000
Shop with a Cop	\$5,000
Tucklets (Kenya Orphans)	\$3,000
Bill Wilson Center	\$2,520
Rotacare, Bay Area	\$2,500
South Bay Clean Creek Coalition	\$2,500
Science Camp—reserve amount	\$5,500

Thank you letter from Feeding Pets of the Homeless



Providing Pet Food and Emergency
Veterinary Care

400 W. King St., Ste. 200
Carson City, NV 89703-4221

IRS 501 (c) (3)
Tax-Exempt & Nevada
Nonprofit Corporation

775.841.7463
Fax 775.841.7466
info@petsofthehomeless.org
www.petsofthehomeless.org

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Feeding Pets of the Homeless' USA Federal Tax
ID No. is 26-3010540. Canceled checks are no
longer valid substantiation for charitable gifts
over \$250; please retain this receipt for your
tax records. No goods or services were received
in exchange for this contribution unless
specifically noted.

April 8, 2021

Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation
c/o Brian Bianco
17995 Laurel Wood Lane
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Dear Brian,

On behalf of the pets, their guardians and Feeding Pets of the Homeless®, we send you sincere gratitude for your generous restricted gift for emergency veterinary care for Santa Clara County of \$5,000 that we received today. The date on the check is 4/1/2021. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

The pandemic in the world has caused crises on so many fronts, and greater struggles for the homeless and their pets. Feeding Pets of the Homeless® is committed to offer pet food, veterinary care (emergency and at wellness clinics) to our nation's homeless who have companion and service animals.

The support of partners like Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation is essential to transform the lives of animals and the people who love them unconditionally. During 2020, we helped 698 pets that belong to the homeless in the United States with emergency veterinary care at a cost of \$320,843 (after discounts from hospitals).

In recognition of your generosity, we plan to acknowledge the foundation on our website and in our 2020 annual report as:

Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation

If you have any questions or would like to change how your foundation will be listed, please let me know.

With gratitude,

Genevieve Frederick
Genevieve Frederick
Founder

*From the bottom of my heart -
Thank you!*

Thank you letter from Alum Rock Counseling Center



April 13, 2021

Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation
c/o Brian Bianco, Treasurer
17995 Laurel Wood Lane
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Dear Brian:

On behalf of Alum Rock Counseling Center (ARCC), I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to you and the Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation for your grant contribution in the amount of \$5,000 received on 4/7/21 in support of ARCC's Middle School Mentoring Program, serving students at Ocala STEAM Academy in East San Jose. We are humbled and deeply appreciative for your belief in the work we do and for doing so much to make our good work possible. Please know that your gift is helping us care for some of the highest need Latinx youth in our local communities, including now virtually during the pandemic.

The critical dollars you have provided will allow us to impact the experiences, outcomes and (what seems to be) long-term futures of the mentoring program students we serve. It helps them create new visions for themselves and new ideas of what is possible, and inspires them to achieve and become the best versions of themselves. Thank you for clearly caring so deeply about the well-being of our local communities. Your commitment to ensuring the health and academic success of those youth who are most vulnerable makes a profound difference not only today but, in many cases, for generations to come.

If you have any questions about ARCC or your donation, please do not hesitate to contact me at sdryer@alumrockcc.org or 408.930.2665. We look forward to joining you at the Rotary Club Meeting on Friday, May 21.

With deepest appreciation,

Stacy Dryer
Chief Development & Communications Officer

Alum Rock Counseling Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization (Tax ID#23-7367637). Their mission is to heal families and inspire youth to reach their full potential. No goods or services were received in exchange for this donation.



Thank you letter from Bill Wilson Center



Building Connections for Youth and Families

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Santa Clara, CA 95050
(408) 243-0222 tel
(408) 246-5752 fax
www.billwilsoncenter.org

April 30, 2021

Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley Foundation
17995 Laurel Wood Lane
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Dear Brian and fellow Rotarians,

This past year has brought unforeseen challenges to all of our lives. Yet, in these unpredictable times, you decided to catalyze and to support the youth and young families at Bill Wilson Center. Our staff, volunteers, and the youth themselves cannot express how grateful we are for your on-going generosity during this unprecedented time of need.

Your contribution allows Bill Wilson Center to offer young people a sense of safety and comfort this year. Through a continuum of services in shelter, education, and counseling – our youth and young families remain safe in Bill Wilson Center's care and prepare to get back on their feet when life permits them to do so.

Your gift of \$2,520 received on 4/28/2021 to assist with motel stays for youth testing positive for COVID-19 shows the extension of your concern for the most marginalized populations in Santa Clara County. The sad truth is many of these young people have already experienced loss and tragedy in their young lives. With your help, Bill Wilson Center continues to assist these youth and families through both personal and largescale challenges while securing their path to success in life.

Thank you for thinking of BWC's youth and families during this time. Generosity, like yours, strengthens our community and brings us closer together.

Sincerely,

Sparky Harlan
Chief Executive Officer

P.S. To learn more about how you can help make a difference in the lives of homeless youth, please contact our development associate at 408-850-6129 or vcaustrita@billwilsoncenter.org.

Bill Wilson Center is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code with Federal Identification Number 94-2221849. No goods or services were received in exchange for this donation.

Counseling

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Housing

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Education

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Advocacy



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Please join us for **2021 Virtual Convention: Rotary Opens Opportunities**, 12-16 June. Registration opens in mid-April

This year's event will connect you, virtually, with members around the world. It will open new opportunities to learn and to engage with the family of Rotary, near and far. Together, we'll inspire action, strengthen our commitments, work on our challenges, and celebrate our successes.

Visit the **convention event page** on Facebook to connect with other participants and share what you're looking forward to experiencing with #Rotary21. The Virtual Convention is open to all Rotary members and participants, so invite a friend to join you or share the event with your community.

Rotarians Having Fun

Honorary Rotarian Bud Sanders and wife
Barbara visiting friends in Maui in April.



May 7th is... International Space
Day

May 7th is...
National Leg of Lamb Day



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