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### THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 YAKIMA CONVENTION & EVENT CENTER

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## FABIANA AHUMADA SAVING BEES: ONE HOP AT A TIME



Fabiana Ahumada, is the Global Director of Health and Wellness at BetaTec Hop Products, a beyond brewing division from John I. Haas. Fabiana is responsible for developing new markets using hop extracts and high-end products to serve a wide variety of industry segments from nutraceutical, food and beverage, cosmetics, skincare, pharmaceuticals through the wellbeing of honeybees that produce honey and beeswax.

For the past 20+ years, Fabiana has worked extensively with the beekeeping industry in the US and internationally on honeybee health. Her involvement in honeybee nutrition led to

the development of MegaBee, a nutritional supplement for honeybees. Later, Fabiana has been deeply involved in Varroa research leading to the development of HopGuard, a natural pesticide derived from hops to control Varroa destructor in honeybee colonies.

Fabiana holds a master's in business administration from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and a Biological Sciences degree from National University of Córdoba, Argentina.

#### **FOR THURSDAY'S MEETING**

Greeters – Greg & Jan Luring Music – David Rogers Invocation – Tim Carlson Sergeant-at-Arms – Ralph Thompson Program – Bob Gerst

#### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

May 25th – Academic Scholarships June 1st – Dan Newhouse, Congressional Update June 8th – Joey Chapman, GSBA: Washington State's LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce June 15th – Kym & Mark Hilinski, Hilinski's Hope

## YAKIMA ROTARY HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

The Racial Justice Committee is pleased to announce its next Historical Perspective with Sarah Augustine set for Wednesday, May 17th at 5:15pm at the Yakima Valley College Conference Center. Sarah is Pueblo (Tewa) descendant, currently living in White Swan. She is the co-founder and co-chair of the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition and is the former executive director of the Dispute Resolution Center of Yakima. Sarah recently published a book entitled "The Land is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery." Save the date and invite a friend!

# YAKIMA ROTARY IT'S NOT JUST A CLUB BUT AN INVITATION TO ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

Oh, let me tell you why I like Rotary, my friend, It's a group that brings joy that never ends! With community service, we help those in need, And we get to roll up our sleeves, indeed! We work with our hands, creating something new, Building projects that make our communities Rotary blue. We give financially to causes we hold dear, Making a difference year after year! But Rotary's not just about what we give, It's about the people with whom we live! Networking with community members, a true delight, Building connections that make us shine bright. And the speakers we have, oh, they're so grand, Sharing stories that make us take a stand. Inspiring us to think, to grow, and to learn, A real treat for us all, at every turn. So that's why I love Rotary, and I hope you do too, It's a place where we can make dreams come true. With service, connection, and learning to boot, It's a group that's always got us in the loop!

## FLOWERS FOR MOM ROTARY COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Entering the room, you couldn't help but add a little spring to your step as the sounds of the West Valley 8th grade Jazz Band filled the air. After the meeting was called to order, we listened to a solo performance of *America the Beautiful*. It was wonderful! Everyone is invited to attend an evening of music by the West Valley Jazz Band on Saturday, May 20th from 5pm to 8pm. This event also includes a silent auction, concessions, Smash Bros tournament and other fun, family games. In honor of Mother's Day, Sheri Bissell provided a heartfelt invocation full of love for her

mom. Next it was time for us to get to work on a hands-on community service project to create floral bouquets that we delivered to residents of Fieldstone. Floral designer extraordinaire, Andie Webb led the charge. Vases and flowers were on the tables as we followed her step-by-step instructions to produce beautiful, colorful arrangements just in time for Mother's Day. I can assure you from first-hand experience that there was a whole lot of smiles and thank you's from the residents!



