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#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE CONFERENCE CENTER

The Magic
Of Rotary

#### JACQUI GORDON NUNEZ JOURNEY FROM ECUADOR TO YAKIMA



Jacqui Gordon Nunez is originally from Ecuador, where she obtained her bachelor's degree in food science. She first came to the USA in 2011 as an intern of the Washington Tree Fruit Research Commission and returned to Ecuador in 2012 to work as Food Safety Leader at one the most important Children's Hospital in the country.

In 2016, she obtained her Master of Science in Horticulture from Washington State University and then began her work as the Director of Training, Education and Member Services with the Washington State Tree Fruit Association. In her role, she develops workshops related to food safety, workers safety and leadership, as well as training materials for the tree fruit industry in

Washington State. To date, she has developed more than 30 videos to help growers and packers in Washington with their training efforts.

She is passionate about helping people in the tree fruit industry, especially those in the Latino Community, which is why she was awarded the 2021 Latino Leadership Award and the Central Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Leader Award. In her free time, Jacqui likes to spend time with her husband and two daughters.

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

Greeters – Melissa Brewer, Steve Hahn Inspiration – Sheri Bissell Sergeant-at-Arms – Matt Martinkus Programs – Jordan Matson

#### **SUNFAIR PARADE & ROTARY**



Save the date of Saturday, September 21st, gather your walking buddies, and get your shoes ready to represent Rotary in the Sunfair Parade. Rotarians from all three clubs along with their families will be walking the parade route handing out Rotary bubbles and promoting Operation Harvest.

If you would like to join in the fun, contact the Rotary office today.

Meeting time and location will be forthcoming.

#### **ROTARY OPERATION HARVEST**



Rotary Operation Harvest is set for Saturday, October 12th. In it's 41st year, this one-day, community-wide food drive benefits nine local food banks. It requires hundreds of volunteers from all three Yakima Rotary clubs to make it happen. There are many ways to help both before and on the day of the event that include:

- 1. Drop off bags on a route BEFORE the event between October 4th and October 10th (routes will be assigned)
- 2. Collect food from a route day of the event on Saturday, October 12 between 10am and 1pm (routes will be assigned; most take 2 hours to complete).
- 3. Work a shift at the food collection site at the Rotary Marketplace on Saturday, October 12th unloading food, sorting, and/or serving as a driver collecting food from a route that may have been missed.
- 4. Make a financial contribution (any amount is appreciated).
- 5. Staple flyers to Operation Harvest bags (to be completed before the event)
- 6. Display an Operation Harvest sign at your home or business (signs will be available for you to pick up at Rotary).
- 7. Ask a non-Rotarian to donate \$100.00.

Sign-up sheets will be on the table at Rotary. You can use the QR code to sign up on-line. A link to on-line sign-ups will also be sent. Look at how you can be involved. The goal is 100% participation!



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