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Cat Tale

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GRAIL FAMILY SERVICES

Patti Van der Burg introduced **Gabriela Alvaredo** of *Grail Family Services*. As stated on their website:

Our mission at Grail Family Services is to strengthen family capacity to support young children's positive educational outcomes and to build a thriving community.

Our **mission** turned into objectives:

- young children who thrive in school and in life
- parents who confidently help their children thrive
- a community of parents that support and encourage each other

WHAT WE DO

1. Provide direct services that support the healthy development of children ages 0-9 years. Programs include:

- Hablemos Juntos (oral language development)
- Raising a Reader Plus (early literacy)

- Yes We Can...Read! TM (reading mentors)
- State-funded Preschool (kindergarten readiness)
- EQ4Kids (socio-emotional skills development)
- Summer Literacy & Enrichment Academy (bridging the summer learning gap)



Today's speaker Gabriela Alvaredo

2. Provide parents with the tools, knowledge and skills to support their children's success in school and in life. Programs include:

- NuParent
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Yes We

Can...Read! TM (parent workshops)

- Building Blocks of Parenting (BBP) Family Engagement Program
- Support Groups
- Case Management

3. Provide training and support to professionals who work directly with children ages 0-9 years. Professional development programs include:

- SEEDS and Building Blocks of Parenting Training for child care Providers
- Building Blocks of Parenting Family Engagement Training for service providers
- Building Blocks of Parenting Family Engagement Training for teachers

EVALUATION APPROACH

For Grail Family Services, understanding the impact of our programs and feeding the learnings back into programming is essential. As a first step, we've broken up our mission into three organizational objectives:

1. young children who thrive in school and in life
2. parents who confidently help their children thrive
3. a community of parents that support and encourage each other

Each program includes documented expected outcomes. We complement these results with the use of other evaluation tools to get a better idea of what's working, what's not, and what we should improve. We are currently piloting tools to measure impact across programs and through time. Here is how the objectives are broken down, and how we will see if we're making progress toward meeting them:

1. **A young child who thrives at school and in life** shows age-appropriate development along 5 domains: communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and personal-social
...as measured by the Ages & Stages Questionnaire - 3 (ASQ-3). ASQ-3 is a highly valid, reliable, and accurate developmental screening tool for children between 1 and 66 months, completed by parents and designed to highlight a child's strengths as well as areas of concern.

2. A parent who confidently helps her child thrive:

1. understands her child's development
2. creates a stimulating learning environment early on
3. fosters a nurturing and consistent relationship with her child
4. engages community resources and acquires skills to benefit herself and her family supports her child's schooling, in school and out
...as measured by...

1. parent knowledge and behavior along four domains of child development - physical, socio-emotional, cognitive, language
2. parent home practices (based on StimQ), theory of intelligence (Growth Mindset, C. Dweck) and perseverance (Grit, A. Duckworth)
3. Six Dimensions of Parenting: A Motivational Model, adjusted Appendix A
4. reduced Resourcefulness Skills Scale (RSS)
- 5 questions on understanding of US education system, child's school readiness (e.g. rested, fed, w/hw complete); communication with school; etc.

3. **A community of parents that support and encourage each other** is made up of parents who take care of themselves and build a network of social support
...as measured by a single-item questionnaire on stress symptoms, two-question questionnaire on depression (PHQ-2), three-item questionnaire on social support (one item from SIMSS)

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Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Meeting

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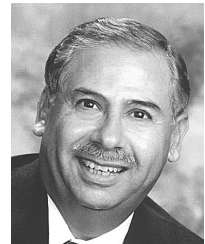
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VISITING ROTARIANS

— Gregg Butterfield
Brenda Davis, San Jose Rotary

WE CARE

John Colwell tells us John Eshleman is doing quite well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: **Champion forms** are due end of February.

Patti Van der Burg and Kathy Murtfeldt reminded us to keep thinking about those contributions to the **CrabFest Auction** coming up January 28.

Tom Boyce reminded us of the **Shelter Box Project**, as documented in the December issue of "The Rotarian". Lloyd Grant added that we have donated some \$10,000 over the past eight years — serving from Sri Lanka to South Africa.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Jan 17 Red Badge Presentations
- Jan 24 "Looking Toward the Future in Los Gatos" — Mayor Marico Sayok
- Jan 31 "Silicon Valley Reads Celebrates its 15th Anniversary"
Dr. Mary Ann Dewan
- Feb 7 High School Speech Contest

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 28 Annual CrabFest and Auction
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Saratoga
- Mar 3 Annual Rotary Ski Competition
Lake Tahoe
- Mar 4 Annual Tahoe Ski Competition Dinner
at John Colwell's



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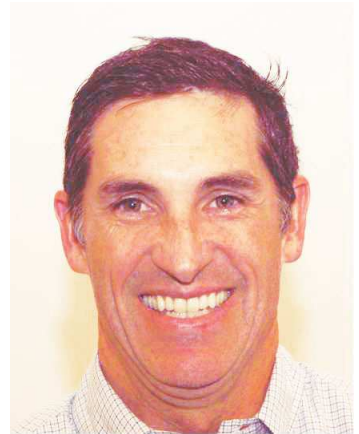
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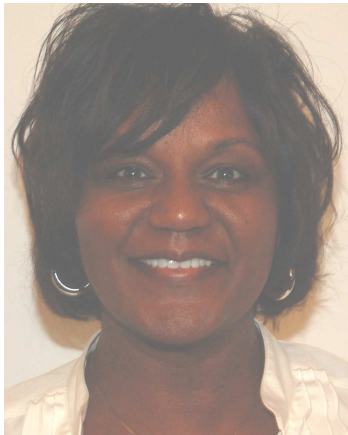
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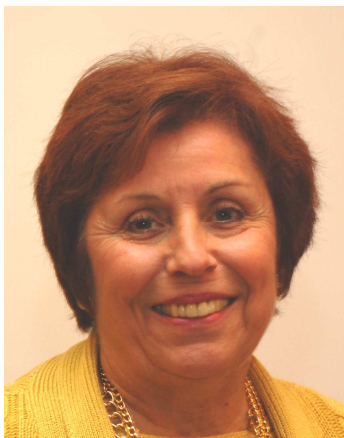
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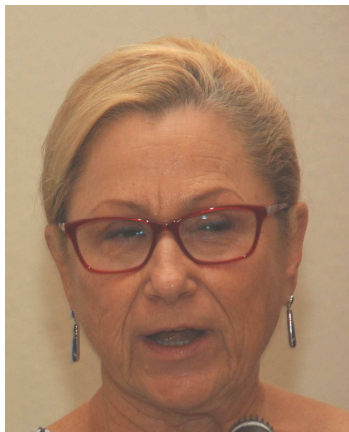


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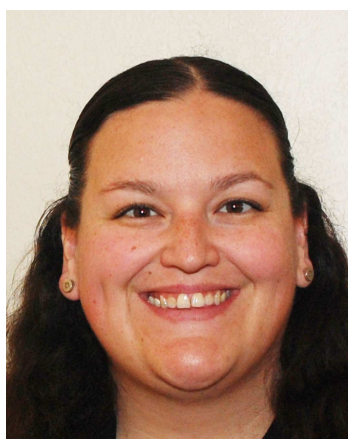
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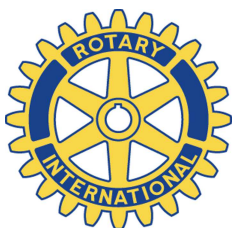
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