



Rotary Club of Los Gatos

Cat Tale

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RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Art Rabitz often "plays the clown" for the kids at **Ronald McDonald House** in Palo Alto, so who better to give today's introduction.

Jay McCullough is Chief Development Officer for Ronald McDonald House at Stanford (RMHS).

Here is a small portion of the information he passed along to us:

- RMHS creates a home-away-from-home and supportive community for families of children with life-threatening illnesses receiving specialized treatment at local hospitals

Expansion history

- 1979 - original house 13 rooms
- 1992- expanded to 24 rooms
- 2003 - 47 rooms
- 2016 Arrillaga Center - 67 rooms
- 2017 Taube Center - 56 rooms
- **Families come** from 50 miles away, 60% from California
- They pay only \$10 a night, if they can afford it

- "Happy Wheels" hospitality cart operates at LPCHS (Lucille Packard Children's)

"Day Pass" serves families not staying at the House, including meals, laundry, kitchen access, shower, workout, activities, computers, shuttles

Camp Ronald McDonald operates during school breaks. Activities include cooking, outdoor play, science and gardening projects, lunch and snacks, chaperoned field trips. It is free to residents and day pass families

Family Fun

- Family Album Project
- Campouts
- Pet therapy
- Movie nights
- Bingo
- Scrapbooking
- Sports and event tickets
- Ice cream socials

Education

- Private classrooms—PAUSD teacher
- Transportation
- Tutoring



Today's speaker
Jay McCullough

Celebrations and Family Traditions

- Birthday parties
 - Prom primping
 - Oscars party
 - Super Bowl party
 - Valentine's Day
 - Mother's and Father's Days
 - Back-to-school boutique
 - Halloween
 - Trick or Treat
 - Haunted house
 - Thanksgiving
 - SWA dinner
 - Santa's Workshop
 - The Elf Squad
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Wearing his official
"Clown Nose",
Art Rabitz
introduced
today's speaker



A special award was due to Dave Downing
as the maestro of a very successful
"home enhancing" project, complete with
great video and photos.



Haryl Pascal, on the left, received his Blue
Badge from President Suzanne, as Sponsor
Carol Abela looks on.

Haryl has to be a little patient for a proper
Blue Badge, as the one he was given says
"Harry". Oops!



And here is
President
Suzanne
presenting a
certificate for
the gift of a
wheelchair in
the speaker's
name.
The recipient is
from
South Africa.

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Meeting

Presiding

President Suzanne Boxer-Gassman

Pledge — Tom Boyce

Inspiration — Judy Rodriguez

Editor Don d'Arms

Photos Don d'Arms



VISITING ROTARIANS

Marcia Deskill, Santa Clara Rotary

VISITORS

Sounded like Savo Kay (John Colwell)

Ron Hershberger (Tom Boyce)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mike Norcia: Opening night of the movie *Star Wars: the Last Jedi* at the Los Gatos Theater, December 15 at 6:00 pm is ALL SOLD OUT.

Pre-movie social 4:00 next door at *Gardino's*

Tom Boyce: — remember the *Presidents Brunch* December 3 — at *La Rinconada* — 10:00 am. There are 24 — count 'em — Los Gatos Past Presidents that are still active. Must be some sort of a record!

Judy Rodriguez says we are back in business for Christmas giving. It's called "Family Giving Group".

Also keep in mind support for Napa fire victims.

Avis La Grone is again personally involved in the Interact "War Against Human Trafficking" project — Soccer balls to Viet Nam. A family from the East is matching donations.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

November 21

Larry Stone, Assessor, Santa Clara County

November 28

Basim Jaber, "Mount Umunhum Status"

December 5

THE LODGE WILL BE DARK DUE TO THE PRESIDENTS' BRUNCH ON DECEMBER 3.

COMING EVENTS

December 3 at 10:00 am

Presidents Brunch

La Rinconada Country Club 10 am

\$20 FOR 20 SECONDS

Ron Cassel has just returned from a Mediterranean trip to Spain, Greece, Italy, France, Croatia, Montenegro, and maybe even Timbuktu. As Ed Stahl set the trip up, Ron has asked him to direct the \$100 donation. Yep, it must have taken a full 100 seconds to list all those countries..Welcome back, Ron and Karen!

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MONDAY

PALO ALTO

Ming's Restaurant
1700 Embarcadero Road

MILPITAS

Embassy Suites Hotel

901 E. Calaveras

SCOTT'S VALLEY

Hilton Hotel

*All meeting times 12:15 pm
Unless noted otherwise*

Los Gatos Lodge

50 Los Gatos-Saratoga Rd

TUESDAY

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Historic Adobe Bldg.

Moffett Field

SANTA CRUZ Sunrise

7:15 am De La Viega Golf

CAMPBELL / S.J. West

Eastfield Ming Quong Ctr

251 Llewellyn Ave

SUNNYVALE

Lookout Rest. Muni Golf

GILROY Elks Lodge

2765 Hecker Pass Rd

FREMONT

Massimo's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

SUNNYVALE Sunrise

7:00 am Le Boulanger

LOS GATOS Morning

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SAN JOSE Summit Ctr

4th & San Fernando

CUPERTINO

Quinlan Comm. Center

WATSONVILLE

Elk's Lodge

MORGAN HILL

Morgan Hill Comm. Center

FELTON / San Lorenzo

Mt. Hermon Ctr. / 7 am

THURSDAY

SANTA CLARA

Hilton Santa Clara

4949 Great America Pwy

SAN JOSE EAST

Ranch Golf Club

4601 Hill Top View

FRIDAY

SAN JOSE North

HP Pavilion Arena

SARATOGA

Community Center / 12 n

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Mt. Hermon Ctr. / 7 am

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Ranch Golf Club
4601 Hill Top View

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HP Pavilion Arena
SARATOGA
Community Center / 12 n
SANTA CRUZ
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MEMBER INFORMATION

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