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## The Speaker for September 4th: David Davenport

### David Davenport Executive Authority



Fresh off the publishing of his new book "How Public Policy Became War", David Davenport, a Hoover Institution research fellow will discuss how American "wars" have become an excuse by a succession of presidents for increasingly executive power overreach.

Specializing in international law and treaties, constitutional federalism, and American politics and law, Davenport is also a columnist for the Washington Examiner and delivers regular radio commentaries on the Salem Radio Network and Townhall.com (where he is a contributing editor). He has coauthored two other books: "Rugged Individualism" (2017) and "The New Deal and Modern American Conservatism" (2013)

[Click here to read more.](#)

## Labor Day Closure

Please note that the Rotary Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd to celebrate Labor Day.

## Survey for the Next Big Project Committee

The Next Big Project Committee is actively seeking feedback from you! We will have a table at the next luncheon on September 4th. Stop by and share your ideas if you haven't already done so. There will be a box where you can drop off your notes. Our mission is to identify a large project that responds to a need, has long-term impact, high visibility, provides inspiration and excitement, creates a sense of pride, and serves to motivate and attract new Club members. This effort will result in a project to be completed within 5 years.

Our first priority is to gather as many project ideas from Club Members as possible and then to seek ideas from community leaders. All ideas will initially come to the Committee in a blind format. As you think of project ideas, please consider the mission of the Next Big Project Committee and project guidelines which are outlined in the survey.

[Please click here](#) for more information and to submit your project idea. The deadline to submit ideas is Friday, September 6.

## Fall BBQ & Jazz Invitation



**Wed. September 11, 5-9 pm**

**BBQ & Jazz**

San Jose History Park

\$60

Evening festivities begin at 5:00pm; grab a drink from the Shark Mobile and enjoy mouthwatering appetizers including Bill the Oysterman! A delectable dinner will be served at followed by dessert.

Rotary's Executive Chefs and the Red Badge Committee will ensure that every detail is attended to, leaving you to enjoy live jazz music, fun and friendship!

Please make your reservation and pay online here!

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[Club Board of Directors](#)  
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Please make your reservation and pay online now.

No-shows and reservations cancelled after 12 noon on Monday, September 9 will be charged full price.

[Click here to Register and Pay](#)

## Blackhawk Country Club Golf Tournament

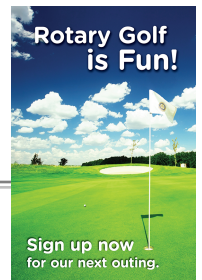


**Date:** Thursday, September 12, 11:30 AM Shotgun Start

**Register:** [Click Here](#)

**Price:** \$135 per player - includes green fees on the Falls Course, cart, practice range, prizes, post-golf appetizers - SJ Rotary Club members and Guests  
 \$35 per player for Blackhawk members who are SJ Rotary Club members

[Click here to read more.](#)



## Rotary Day at Cal Football



Cal Athletics presents  
**Rotary Day @ Cal Football**

Saturday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
 Cal Football v. North Texas  
 California Memorial Stadium  
 1:30 PM

Special Rotary Price:  
**\$20/person**

To Purchase, please visit:  
[calbea.rs/Rotary19](http://calbea.rs/Rotary19)  
 (case-sensitive)

Questions?  
 Contact Roger Kristof, Cal Athletics  
 510.664.9924  
[rkristof@berkeley.edu](mailto:rkristof@berkeley.edu)

  
**CALIFORNIA GOLDEN BEARS**

VS

  
**NORTH TEXAS**

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 1:15 PM PT | PAC-12 NETWORKS

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## Rotary PlayGarden Family Picnic



**Rotary**  
 Club of San Jose

Rotary PlayGarden  
 Our Centennial Project

BBQ, LIVE MUSIC & FUN!!!  

# ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC

  
 HOSTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS HELPING PARENTS

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

### 5:30-7:30PM

**ROTARY PLAYGARDEN**  
**438 COLEMAN AVE, SAN JOSE**

An invite-only, family friendly evening for kids of all ages. Tickets include a BBQ dinner provided by **blue rock B-B-Q**

**\$15/person; \$30/families (groups of 4)**

RSVP by September 23  
 DeAnna Pursai, PlayGarden Ambassador Chair  
[deanna@collegeofadaptivearts.org](mailto:deanna@collegeofadaptivearts.org)






[Please click here to register and pay online](#)

## Please welcome our new Membership Coordinator

Marie Barlahan is eager to meet and work with all the Rotarians as the new Membership Coordinator.



Marie grew up in the Bay Area receiving her Bachelor's degree at Notre Dame de Namur University in Psychology and Sociology and her Master's degree in Counseling from Santa Clara University.

She brings with her 20+ years of experience in the nonprofit arena developing, implementing and managing programs. She has extensive experience in community and organizational development. Her most recent work experience was with the Housing Authority of Santa Clara County as the Housing Programs Supervisor. Before that, she worked at Sunnyvale Community Services for 17 years. She was the Director of Operations/Volunteers for the first 11 years and later became the Director of Emergency Services.

She and her husband have three sons, ages 15, 13, and 11. Her boys definitely keep her busy and she is constantly working to improve her life/work balance. When time allows, she likes to travel, search for the best taco trucks and do some retail therapy!

## Use of Rotary's Membership Directory

Please note: The Membership Directory available to Members of the Rotary Club of San Jose in printed or electronic form should be kept confidential. Information in the Directory should **never** be used for either political mailings, for nonprofit fund raising or for any kind of solicitation. We encourage you to use the Directory to contact Rotarians you already know. Rotarians are also encouraged to use the Yellow Pages in the Directory when they need a new service provider.

## New Member Sarju Naran



Sarju Naran is a Shareholder at Hoge Fenton Jones & Appel in Downtown San Jose and the Chair of the firm's Employment Law Group. Sarju is a zealous advocate for his clients, and his experience spans from representing middle-market and family-owned closely held businesses to large multi-national companies. He regularly litigates and provides advice and counsel to companies on a variety of employment law issues, including wage and hour, trade secret misappropriation, employee mobility, wrongful termination, performance management, and leaves of absence.

Sarju is as passionate about the practice of law and his clients, as he is about his community. Sarju was most recently on the Board of the San Jose Downtown Association for 6 years, and is now a Board member



of the Downtown Community Development Corporation. Sarju is also a Senior Fellow of the American Leadership Forum and a 2005 graduate of the San Jose Leadership Program. Sarju is also a former Board member of the Central YMCA on The Alameda.

After obtaining his Bachelor's degree from Santa Clara University in English and Philosophy, Sarju attended law school at University of the Pacific in Sacramento. But his heart never left the Bay Area, and he quickly returned after law school to work for Hoge Fenton in San Jose. Sarju lives in Almaden Valley with his wife of 17 years, Bindu, and their two daughters, Jasmine (11) and Mia (8).

## Kind wishes requested



The Rotary Office was contacted this week to let us know that David Down had fallen and broken his femur. David is an extraordinary Rotarian: Past Club President, advocate of all things Rotary, Member since 1952 and perfect attendance champion. Please take the time to send him good wishes for a speedy recovery, either by text at 408-202-9360 or letter to 3512 Willow Park Drive, San Jose, CA 95118.

## Youth Protection Bit-O-Info

If you suspect sexual abuse or harassment, what should you do? Talk to the adults directly responsible for the student's supervision (Youth Exchange officer, student's counselor, RYLA Chair, ELC Chair, etc.), unless you suspect that this might put the student at greater risk.

## The Meeting Summary for August 28, 2019



The Executive Chef committee members were today's reception line greeters, at the club's 5,218<sup>th</sup> meeting.

President **Karyn Sinunu-Towery** welcomed members and a large number of guests, including about half of the San Jose City Council.



**Jason Aleksander** presented Rotary UpBeat, and gave a recipe for tomato soup that the Executive Chef committee might want to make.

Red Badgers **Carmen Roman** and **Doug James** introduced themselves and then handled the traveling microphones.

**Sarah Clish** was recognized for appearing at Carnegie Hall this summer with the Mission Valley Chorus, then promptly fined for failing to wear her Rotary pin while onstage. The chorus performed a 25-minute set at Carnegie Hall in June.



President **Karyn** thanked **Jennifer Simmons**, who will chair the search committee to find a new executive director as **Barbara Bremner** departs. **John Kennett** will return as interim director.

**Mick Greco** auctioned off two tickets to this week's 49ers game, purchased by **Carl Salas**. Proceeds go to the Rotary Foundation.

New member **Sarju Naran** was introduced by **Jeanne Serpa**. **Jeff Faulkner** had to guess which fact about **Sarju** wasn't true. **Sarju** chairs the employment law group at Hoge Fenton.

**Matt Braker** encouraged everyone to sign up for the Rotary BBQ, which will be held on September 11 at History San Jose.

Past President **Cindy Faulkner** encouraged members to come on the ski committee's annual ski trip, which will be held the first week of February in Aspen, Colorado. She showed photos of the fun that was had on past trips.

**Jon Ball**, **Christine Davis** and **Steve Borkenhagen** shared the stage as they announced details about creating an iconic landmark for San Jose. **Jon** and **Steve** had recently explored the idea of re-creating the electric light tower that once stood downtown. That led them to Urban Confluence Silicon Valley, which will instead build an iconic Silicon Valley landmark at Arena Park next to the Shark Tank. **Steve** said that with so much happening in downtown San Jose, the time is ripe to create an icon that puts San Jose on the map in a new way.

The exact icon is to be determined by a worldwide competition, which closes on January 15. The three finalists will each receive a \$150,000 stipend to refine their project proposals. A design is expected to be determined in a year, and the San Jose City Council has to approve it. The icon is expected to cost millions. **John** mentioned figures like \$50 million and \$100 million in his speech.







Respectfully submitted by Larry Sokoloff, Meeting Summaries Committee.

Photos taken by Bill Alston, Photography Committee. Click [here](#) to see the full set.

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## Membership Application

[Click Here](#) for the Rotary Club of San Jose's Fillable Membership Application.