

**February is Rotary Awareness Month
Proclaims Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors**

SANTA CLARA COUNTY, FEBRUARY 16, 2015... The Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors encouraged all citizens to join them in recognizing Rotary International for its 110 years of service to improving the human condition in local communities around the world, announced Dave Cortese, President.

“It is a great honor to be acknowledged by the SCC Board,” said Ed Jellen. “Every year the collaborative effort of 4,000 Bay Area Rotarians donate on average \$1.5 million dollars and thousands of volunteer hours and expertise to help sustain vital community programs.” Jellen is Rotary District 5170 Governor.

The source of project funding begins with the club fundraisers. The events are designed to captivate the interest that best serves the cultural tapestry of our Bay Area neighborhoods.

Funds are allocated to strengthen the capacity of communities by providing scholarships, youth leadership training, art and STEM education in the classroom, computers, books, school supplies, hot breakfasts and luncheons, warm clothing, medical supplies, free health clinics for the uninsured and the global eradication of Polio to mention just a few. At the core of the projects is Rotary’s motto: ‘Service Above Self’

Receiving the SCC Proclamation from left to right are Stew Park, President of the Rotary Club of San Jose; Robbie Izat, President of the Rotary Club of San Jose East/Evergreen; Yolette Merritt; Ed Jellen, District Governor; and Dave Cortese, President of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. (attached)

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