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ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CLARA INSTALLS NEW PRESIDENT

Announces Funds Raised for Philanthropic Giving!

SANTA CLARA, Calif., -- July 3, 2014 – The Rotary Club of Santa Clara (www.santaclararotary.org) is pleased to announce the installation of the 2014-2015-club president, Mr. Steve Rainbolt. Mr. Rainbolt will serve as the club's 79th president and has been a member of the club since 2006. He has served on the board of directors and as co-chair of the 2014 South Bay Enterprise Leadership Conference, a 3-day business entrepreneurial and leadership camp for local high school students.

Dr. Lou Ann Alexander, the immediate past president and the club's first female president, will have her celebratory presidential debunking on July 10, 2014 at Bay Club Santa Clara.

"Serving as president of this great club has been a true honor and a privilege. Our club accomplished many things over this year and we were able to contribute almost **\$100,000** toward community and international projects," said Dr. Alexander.

" We have helped those in our local community through our programs such as college scholarships, Steps for Success, Christmas for Kids, Enterprise Leadership Conference, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Interact Clubs, and speech contest; and we have also awarded grants to over 14 local non-profit groups. Additionally, we continue to be big supporters of Rotary International's work on global polio eradication. We recently had our club's major fundraiser, the 2014 Silicon Valley Barbeque Championships event, which will provide funding for our club to continue its very successful journey as a major philanthropic organization. I know our club will continue to grow and reach even greater heights under the leadership of our new president, Steve Rainbolt," she added.

“The Club has ended Lou Ann’s year on a very high note with an extremely successful 3rd Annual Silicon Valley BBQ Competition. The Rotary International theme for last year was “Engage Rotary, Change Lives” which, as a club, we accomplished through all of our local community projects and the international efforts where we were engaged. Without doubt if you were to pick a label for our Club last year it would be the “Year of the Woman”, “ said Steve Rainbolt.

“This year’s Rotary theme is “Light Up Rotary” and our club is in a great position to do just that. Look around Santa Clara, it is booming which means there are greater opportunities for our club to increase membership with quality leaders that will help expand our fund raising efforts resulting in a bigger impact on our community and abroad,” he added.

Steve Rainbolt has been a resident of Santa Clara since 1992. He grew up in the state of Washington graduating with a degree in Mathematics from Washington State University. Following graduation he worked briefly in Seattle before taking a position as a software engineer with the US Government in Washington D.C. He then migrated to Silicon Valley working for several companies involved the development of advanced technologies. He is currently a licensed Financial Advisor where he provides guidance for individuals and families by helping them plan their financial future.

Steve is married with three children two of which live in the Bay Area and one in Seattle, WA. He is the proud grandfather of two Grandchildren, one girl and one boy. His wife, Tina, is with the Santa Clara Unified School District working as the College and Career Counselor at Santa Clara High School..

About the Rotary Club of Santa Clara

The Rotary Club of Santa Clara, established in 1936, is dedicated to serving the local and world community. Composed of business and community leaders, the club designs its many projects to represent the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

Santa Clara Rotary supports the community with many projects: Steps for Success, Christmas for Kids, college scholarships, Enterprise Leadership Conference, Interact and Rotaract clubs, speech contests, and special grants awarded to local organizations. In addition to making major contributions to improve the local community, Rotarians have strongly supported many international projects such as the Rotary goal of global polio eradication.

Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries

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