

Over Forty Years of Friendship & Community Service Ending Childhood Hunger Volume 107, August, 2019



OF ORANGE COUNTY

President's Message Paul Robidoux, President

Welcome to Summer!

Best wishes to all Roosters, spouses, significant others, friends, family and supporters. As we enter the second half of 2019, I would like to share a few thoughts on being a member of

the Roosters and a contributor to the great works the Roosters Foundation accomplishes.

We Roosters are a multifaceted group, coming from a wide variety of cultures, races, ages, income levels and ideologies. And yet we are bound by one common goal to enrich the lives and futures of all youth in our communities. We recognize that all children deserve a helping hand, regardless of their cultures, race, ages, and social standing. As Nelson Mandela once said, "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children." And so we raise money, donate our financial resources, prepare meals, and give our time, keeping in mind that "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men (and women) -Frederick Douglass."

We accomplish this in partnership with an ever-widening circle of community organizations who serve as a multiplier of our good intentions. We recognize that on our own we could never feed, house, educate, and generally improve the lives of as many children as we are able to reach through these groups. Our newly-invigorated partnership with Bracken's Kitchen is allowing us to support and personally participate in the preparation and distribution of thousands of nutritious meals to children and families, many of which live day to day on subpoverty level incomes.

In September our Charity Selection Committee will begin the process of selecting 30 organizations to receive Roosters Foundation grants. These funds will extend our reach across the county, and I am extremely proud of the outstanding work of our Charity Committee, led by cochairmen David Huisinga and Tim Hunter. \$5,500 has already been set aside as grants in honor of our 15 chefs from the Orange County Food and Wine Celebration, and we expect to award between \$150,000 and \$200,000 in



grants to worthy charitable organizations, and more than \$30,000 to Bracken's Kitchen through our Adopt-a-Kitchen partnership. These funds will be a significant benefit to the recipient organizations' missions.

If you are excited by what you hear, and would like to become more involved in the works of the Roosters, consider joining one of the committees or serving on the 2020 Roosters Board. We would love to have you. Contact me or incoming President, David Selleck, or any of the current Roosters Board members.

And we'll see you at this month's social at Doug Wilson's Home (see inside for more information.

Lastly, this will be the first month that The Crow will only be distributed electronically (with just a couple of exceptions for members with no connectivity) and placed on our website. If you have difficulty receiving it, please notify Jon Giberson or Paul Robidoux and we will see that the situation is corrected.

Thank you, Paul Robidoux Roosters Foundation and Roosters Inc. 2019 President

Want to Advertise in the "Crow"?

It's easy! Contact the Editor, Peter Smith for details of layout requirements - peter@avalon-wine.com 1/4 page, \$25/month 1/2 page, \$50/month Full page, \$100/month

Roosters Crow advertisements are to be paid on the Roosters website at <<u>http://www.roostersfoundation.org/</u>> by selecting "Pay" then "Donations" and then selecting the "Monthly Crow" ad size from the drop-down menu.

Upcoming Calendar

August 6 Board of Directors

6:00 open to the membership - Location: TBA RSVP PLEASE to plan correct attendance: Paul Robidoux 714-404-9269.

August 8 Monthly Luncheon

Morton's The Steakhouse, 1641 Sunflower Ave., Santa Ana 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM Speaker Dave Wensley "Cold War Air Defense". Please RSVP to the Evite as soon as you receive it to ensure seating, and pay on-line early at <u>www.roostersfoundation.org</u>. Contact: David Selleck 714-585-0953

August 8 Adopt-A-Kitchen

11:45 - 4 PM at <u>Bracken's Kitchen</u>: 13941 Nautilus Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92843 Please support our new partners in providing food to needy kids in Orange County! This is a fun, productive "hands-on" activity that directly impacts kids at risk in our community. This will be an ongoing event each month. Contact Dan Stone: call or text 714-310-4162. Dan@MortgageFeeCoach.com

August 17 Social - Luau

6-10 PM Doug & Chris Wilson 21302 CALLE RECREO LAKE FOREST, CA 92630 Doug Wilson 949-394-8179 or 949 468-7091 RSVP - See Evite for details.

August 21 Charity Committee

6pm Old Vine Kitchen & Bar in Costa Mesa. Contact: Tim Hunter 714 659 0370

Future Events

Board meetings Tuesday preceding 2nd Thursday of the Month Luncheons 2nd Thursday of the month Socials 4th or last Thursday (most of the time)

ROOSTER AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Cliff Wallace



John Knipf



Steve Gough

Buy Them a Drink!!



Mike Wiley

Bill Schilt

Roosters New Food Outreach Partner

Roosters will be working with Bracken's Kitchen on an ongoing basis each month. Please support this new partnership by volunteering to join the Adopt-A -Kitchen crew!

It's a great way to truly be "hands-on" in your service to those less fortunate, and you'll have a great time in the process! You might even pick up some useful tips from the experience!

<u>August 8 Lunch Speaker</u> Morton's The Steakhouse, 1641 Sunflower Ave. 11:30AM

Title: "Master Your Mind "

Goldyn Duffy will talk about how to deactivate your mind from stress and gain control over your thoughts to create a more peaceful and joyful life.

Goldyn is the co-founder of the M21 Revolution and author of "Quantum Speak". Her passion is awakening people to the power they have within.

She uses science and spirituality to assist others in gaining a new awareness around the power they have to create.

Goldyn's website at www.goldynduffy.com offers more insight to her program and book.

Observation from volunteer Jill Rauen about the Adopt A Kitchen.....

"I was working with three students and one permanent volunteer, that was also a student.

The permanent volunteer was telling the students that her father grew up poor, and had instilled in her from childhood the need to give back.

The students said that they were not doing it for credit, or hours or anything.

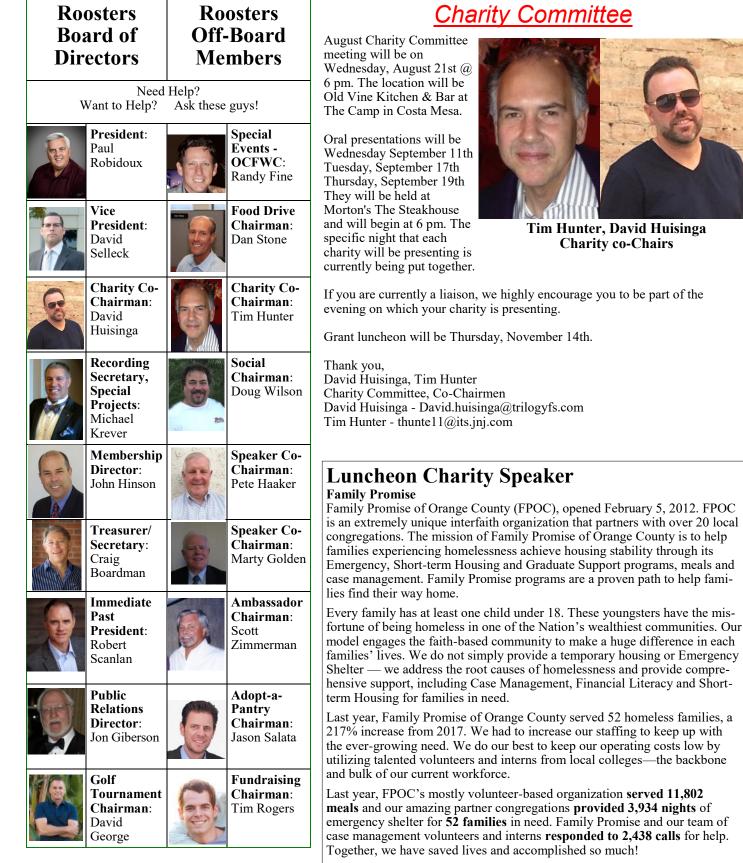
They were just doing it.

I was rather invisible in the conversation, so just observed.

So the Roosters provided that opportunity for these kids."







Even with the exponential increase in the number of families served, we continue to see proven results. Nearly 90% of all families entering our programs transition into permanent stable housing! Thanks to friends like the Roosters Foundation, we are achieving our goal - **ending family homelessness in Orange County**. Together we are literally giving children their future back, while ending the trauma of homelessness!

Social Media and Marketing Update

Our Roosters members have been busy polishing up our websites and marketing flyer, filming promotional materials and planning other opportunities for increasing visibility in our community. Look for the Roosters in the 2019 Orange County Business Journal Giving Guide. Thanks to Gil Sotelo, Dan Ouleween, Brad Coker and Chairman Jon Giberson. If you have ideas that can further their efforts, please let Jon know!

Keep up with our social media by checking into our Facebook pages - all the great pictures from our events are posted there courtesy of Bleu and Alison Cotton. Tag yourself and your Rooster brothers, and share the photos and events with your circle of friends.

The Roosters do great work, and the world deserves to know about it!

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Roosters Feeding Program Update

7/19/19 Adopt-A-Kitchen a BIG success:

- * 1,000 meals created for upcoming Karina's Backpack Project 8/4
- * 42 volunteers (23 RSVP's, 19 more just attended without notice)
- * Rooster volunteers: Michael Krever (lead) Chuck Berman, Paul Robidoux, Jon Giberson, Arnie Wilkins, Marty Golden, John Lavarias
- * Friends of Roosters: Jeannie Krever, Jill Rauen, Stephanie Bauer

7/20 Karina's Backpack Project

Volunteers filled 5,300 backpacks with school supplies & other goodies Rooster volunteer: Asif Merchant

8/4 Karina's Backpack Project

At Angel Stadium 10 AM - 4 PM We are providing 3,000 meals to 10 charities that we invited to the event. Confirmed Rooster volunteers as of 8/1: Michael Krever & granddaughter, Michelle Rodelius, Emily & Dan Stone, Jon Giberson & Paul Robidoux.

Upcoming Adopt-A-Kitchens:

8/8 11:45 AM - 4 PM Tentative 9/27/19 11:45 AM - 4 PM.

11/26 11:45 AM - 4 PM - JOYA Scholars are providing 20 volunteers, Jon Giberson & Carol Rundback attending Additional dates to be scheduled. Our goal is 12 Adopt-A-Kitchens in 2019, so far completed 3.

Thank you, Dan Stone Roosters Foundation Food Drive Chairman









Golfing For Kids Annual Children's Charity Golf Classic Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:30 pm Oak Creek Golf Course • Irvine

Roosters raise money . . . for the kids who need it most

Your Support provides cash grants to 30 Local Orange county charities benefitting disadvantaged and at-Risk children. Every quarter throughout the year, we combine efforts and donate our time to prepare and deliver meals through food pantries to feed thousands of local low income and needy families. The Roosters foundation is a non-profit organization granting tens of thousands of dollars every year to support small hands on charities. Our mission over the past 40 years has been Helping mold and change thousands of lives of children in need and at risk. We appreciate your support in helping us make change

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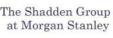








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Membership

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next luncheon. Bring a prospective member to our monthly luncheon - the Roosters will pay for one guest lunch per year for each member! If that guest joins, the Roosters will pay for another guest of that member.

It's easy to propose a new member!

Just get your candidate's business card, put your name on it, and forward it to **Member-ship Director:** John Hinson, <u>John.Hinson@RaymondJames.com</u>, Cell # 714 425 6407, or use the membership application at <u>www.RoostersFoundation.org</u>

<u>New Members</u>: Proposed members are presented to the membership of the Roosters for review.

If you have objections to a proposed new member, call your Membership Director. Calls are confidential.

Prospective Rooster – Jim Gollner (Jon Giberson and John Hinson Sponsors)

Jon Giberson and John Hinson met Jim and his wife, Jan, on a trip to Italy in March. After hearing about Roosters, Jim was intrigued and attended our lunch in June. He was impressed with what he saw at lunch, and came to lunch again in July wanting to join Roosters.

Jim, Founder and CEO of James Gollner Services Inc., based in San Clemente California, is a licensed Electrical Contractor since 1977. His company specializes in Fire Life Safety for Hospitals and Skilled Nursing facilities throughout the State of California. In his early years he worked on electronic systems including the memory system on the Mars Viking lander. Jim received his Journeyman's Certification from Standard Oil in El Segundo and was promoted to the Engineering Design group after graduating. He started his own con-

tracting company in 1977 and continues working in the electrical industry to this day. James Gollner Services is truly a family owned business, from his daughter Erin in charge of the office to his wife Jan coordinating the plans and permits. Jim and his wife Jan live in Dana Point and enjoy traveling to Italy, walking the Dana Point Harbor and trips to Lake Arrowhead.

Congratulations Bond!

Ambassador Bond Nichols receives his membership certificate. Pictured with sponsor, Arnie Wilkins, and Membership Chair, John Hinson.





Zoom Zoom!

Kirk Adams taking the Cobra challenge drive to Mission San Luis Rey de Francia (Oceanside).





Come celebrate our 2nd Anniversary with a new menu created by Chef Franco.

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Golfing For Kids Roosters Foundation Annual Children's Charity Golf Classic



Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:30 pm shotgun Oak Creek Golf Course · Irvine

EVENT DAY INFO: SCRAMBLE FORMAT

10:30 am:	Registration
12:00 pm:	DRONE Ball Drop
12:30 pm:	Shotgun start
	Food & beverages on course
5:45 pm:	Appetizers, No Host Bar
	Awards, Prizes, Fundraisers

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Roosters Social

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August 17, 6-10pm: We will be having a Luau!

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MAHALO

949-394-8179 or 949 468-7091

6pm – 7pm Arrival & Happy Hour with Apps 7pm - 8pm Hawaiian Buffet Feast Dinner 8pm – 8:40pm Hawaiian Dancers Showtime After the show pictures with the performers Free feel to stay to Party, Socialize and make S'more's





Please check your emails for the "EVITE" providing details on the socials scheduled for each month. Doug Wilson, Social Chair: 949-394-8179 doug@houseofsoundandvideo.com

Outstanding Rooster Volunteer!

Stephanie Bauer is one of Paul Robidoux's very best and oldest friends (circa late high school years) who is retired and loves to volunteer. He has been tying her in on our events for several years, and she loves being a part of the



Roosters. She is a big supporter to Penny at the Food and Wine and Golf events.

She was a volunteer at the recent adopt a kitchen but she's also a volunteer at almost every rooster kitchen and food drive events that we have.

Thank You Stephanie!

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Rooster of the Year Randy Fine

Roosters Creed

An organization that stands for friendship, fellowship, charity and good times. It stands for busy, worldly men who take the time to give those less fortunate a helping hand. It stands for warmth, strength, and shared laughter.

Mission Statement

To facilitate and encourage lifelong friendships while performing charitable works on behalf of children in need.

Mission Statement for the Roosters Foundation of Orange County

To raise necessary funds for disadvantaged and at risk children in the Orange County area and to support public and private programs with necessary services for children in need.

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