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### THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM:

#### **Xavier Guaracha, Rotary SJB Scholarship Recipient**

*"I just want to start off by saying, I'm immensely grateful for the scholarship... It's inconceivable that, four years ago I was only a freshman. I couldn't have done it without the support of Rotary and other scholarships."*

Xavier was born in Chino, CA and moved to San Juan Bautista at the age of five. He attended San Juan School and graduated from Anzar High School this past spring. It was in eighth grade, that Xavier began considering his options for attending college. Because he had grown up in San Juan Bautista, he knew he wanted to explore the rest of the United States. As well, he wanted to attend a "high caliber institution".

He was interested in studying English and literature. After much research of universities with strong humanity programs, Yale University was the first choice.

While attending Anzar High School, Xavier enrolled in all the honor classes and in his senior year, he took courses at Foothill Community College through the Dual-Enrollment Program. This program allows qualifying students to earn college credits by successfully completing college courses while in high school.

Xavier was accepted through the early application/early decision process and was admitted to Yale in December of 2020. He was specifically chosen by Yale administrators to enroll in a special program called Directed Studies, only open to undergraduate students with just 100-freshman. Students in the Directed Studies Program take three courses of intensive study in philosophy, literature, and political and historical thought, completing in depth analysis "of what creates society". Xavier realizes that this intensive course work will be difficult, but he stated, "I'm so thankful for the Grad(uation) X (Exhibition) program" at Anzar High School. "I'm well prepared." Xavier's professional plan following graduate school, is to become an English, literature, or political thought professor.

In conclusion, Xavier was asked, "Looking at the world as you embark on this coursework, what breaks your heart?" "When I truly think about everything and other really major issues right now, I feel like apathy is the most horrifying thing that happens in the world. There was a famous quote by Elie Wiesel a long time ago, where he said, 'Hate is not the opposite of love; apathy is.' There's a lot of horrifying incidents in this world, but what did you do to change things?"





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## OUR HYBRID MEETING

*HAPPY ROTARIANS on August 19, 2021*  
**19 MEMBERS PRESENT!!!**

**In Person:** Andrew, Annette, Art, Bob, Don Boys, Donna, Jackie,  
Larry, Michael, Paul, Phil, and Wayne

**On Zoom:** Blanca, César, Don Reynolds, Jessie, Jorge, Luis, and Tom

### THIS WEEK'S MEETING: Inspirational Quote:

*"It's difficult to make predictions,  
especially about the future."  
- Yogi Berra -*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**ROSA FERNANDEZ - August 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**CASEY POWELL - August 25<sup>th</sup>**



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## Announcements:

*Meeting Attendance & Recording of Meetings: Members & invited friends will be allowed to attend Club meetings only. The meetings may only be recorded with permission from the Membership.*

## Rotary Club Events & Information:

- ❖ **Board Meeting:** Today following the general meeting
- ❖ **General Assembly: Next week; COME EAT A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST!**
- ❖ **Ghost Walk Committee Meeting:** Next week following the general meeting

## San Benito County Events & Information:

- ❖ **Feeding the Frontline:** All went very smoothly last Thursday.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ❖ **August 26<sup>th</sup>:** Program: General Assembly
- ❖ **August 26<sup>th</sup>:** Ghost Walk Committee Meeting; Following General Meeting
- ❖ **September 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Program: TBD
- ❖ **September 8<sup>th</sup>:** District 5170 Leadership Meeting; Dryco Construction, Fremont
- ❖ **September 9<sup>th</sup>:** Program: TBD
- ❖ **September 15<sup>th</sup>:** Club Community Grant Applications Due
- ❖ **September 16<sup>th</sup>:** Program: TBD
- ❖ **September 16<sup>th</sup>:** Club Board Meeting; Following General Meeting
- ❖ **September 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Program: General Assembly
- ❖ **September 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Fundraising Committee Meeting; Following General Meeting
- ❖ **September 30<sup>th</sup>:** Program: TBD on Zoom Only
- ❖ **September 30<sup>th</sup>:** District 5170 Avenues of Service Workshops on Zoom
- ❖ **October 28<sup>th</sup>:** Program: District 5170 Governor Richard Flanders



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**END POLIO NOW!**  
**2021-2022 Goal = \$2,000.00**  
**Donated Today = \$11.00**  
  
**\$1,917.00 TO GO!**

**AUGUST MEETING  
RESPONSIBILITIES**

Flag Salute: MICHAEL

Inspirational Quote: MICHAEL

Programs: DON BOYS

Hospitality: ANNETTE, JESSIE, MICHAEL

MONTH	SALUTE	QUOTE	PROGRAMS	HOSPITALITY
September	Jackie	Rosa Vivian		Annette, Jessie, Michael
October	Jessie	Jessie	César	Annette, Jessie, John
November	Wayne	Jackie	Phil	Annette, Jessie, Art
December	Wayne		Don Boys	Annette, Jessie,
January	Art	Don Boys		Annette, Jessie,
February	Vicki	Luis	César	Annette, Jessie, Vicki
March			Phil	Annette, Jessie,
April	Vicki	Luis	Don Boys	Annette, Jessie,
May	Don Boys	Art		Annette, Jessie, Bob
June	Michael	Michael	César	Annette, Jessie, Bob





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## 2021-2022 COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE	CHAIR(S)	MEMBERS
Access	Phil, Wayne	Annette, Jessie, Jorge, Michele, Rosa Fernandez
Anza Trail	Jim	Wife Gayle & Community Crew
Area 6 Aromas Community Project	Annette	Casey, Jackie, Paul, Rosa Fernandez
Dinner Dance Live Auction	César	Blanca, Erica Ceballos, John
Beer/Wine Garden	Vicki & Wayne	Heidi, Andrew, Art, César, Donna, Phil
Environmental	Blanca	Annette, Donna, Leslie Austin, Michael
Finance	Bob	Andrew, Art, Phil
Fundraisers	Jackie, Phil, Rosa, Art	Andrew, Blanca, Bob, Casey, César, Jessie, Jorge, Heidi, John, Larry, Luis, Michele, Tom
Ghost Walk	Rosa & Phil	Annette, Bob, Casey, César, Don Boys, Don Reynolds
Holiday of Lights Parade & Celebration	Michele	Heidi, Don Reynolds, Donna, Jessie
Holiday Family Giving (Ag. Worker Force)	Vicki	Annette, César, Donna, Jackie, John, Nazhat, Phil, Rosa Fernandez, Wayne
Hospitality	Michael	Annette, Blanca, Casey, John, Jorge, Vicki
Rotary Benches	Bob & Annette	Bob, César, Heidi, John
Saints	Jackie	Annette, Art, Bob, Donna, John, Heidi, Wayne
Scholarship	Michele & Casey	César, Michael, Paul, Rosa
Social Media (Websites/Technology)	Jorge	Art, Heidi, Jackie, Jessie, Phil
Visual & Performing Arts (Concerts)	Phil	César, Luis, Rosa Loayza