

**General Meetings**

**(All Residents Welcome)**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month  
3pm  
MountainView Clubhouse  
Ballroom

**Coming Events**

**April 8:** SBCO General meeting and program, celebrating our Volunteer of the Year and Sponsor of the Year (see related article on page 3), with Installation of the 2013-2014 Board of Directors

**October 26:** Walkathon

**Volunteer Opportunities**

**Suite L Receptionists**  
Needed for Monday through Wednesday, 9am to noon, and noon to 3pm shifts. Involves answering the phone, greeting walk-in visitors, and accepting deliveries. One-time training takes about 90 minutes.  
Interested? Contact Joan Coyne at 825-3302

**Board of Directors**

Maggie de Block...President  
Joan Roberts...Exec. Vice President  
Joe McGowan/Judy Williams...Directors, Special Events  
Judy Kany/Stef Modos...Recording Secretaries  
Joan Coyne...Corresponding Secretary  
Anne Everett...Treasurer  
John Young...Assistant Treasurer  
Mike Moore/Steve Groth...Vice Presidents, Education  
Pat Ford/Paula Morgan...Vice Presidents, Kids' Closet  
Ken Siarkiewicz/Willie Reich...Directors, Membership  
Ann Cozhlar Golden Goose Rep.  
Doris Clark/Rick Cato...Directors, Communications

Nan Nasser...Past President

Non-Board Positions

Mary Kay Stein...Newsletter

**NEITHER RAIN, SLEET, SNOW NOR HAIL COULD DAMPEN FOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERS' SPIRITS**



*It was a rare windy, rainy and cold day—so bad that the 2013 community-wide Food Drive had to be moved from the MountainView Clubhouse parking lot to the porch and inside to a ballroom. No matter—the SBCO volunteers weren't daunted, and thanks to the generosity of SaddleBrooke residents, the ballroom and porches with hundreds of sacks and boxes of food for the Tri-Community Food Bank.  
(Photos by Rick Cato)*

**Thank You, SaddleBrooke!**

**By Joan and Rich Roberts**

At the time of this publication, the SBCO annual Food Drive has just occurred and its statistical results are still being tallied. However, what we do know is the spirit of our volunteers and the generosity of our residents cannot be dampened by a "little" storm. Even on a rainy, windy and very cold morning the volunteers turned out in large numbers with the kind of spirit that showed they couldn't be beaten by the challenges of Mother Nature.

Since most of the Food Drive activities usually take place outdoors, we didn't know what to expect with the bad weather. When we saw the volunteers arrive and the carloads of food being unloaded we were very relieved and grateful for our community's continued support. We understand that hunger doesn't take a rain day and that our efforts count. We would personally like to thank our wonderful volunteers for their hard work under very trying circumstances. We also want to recognize our community partners, TB Contractors, Oracle Ford, Rotary, the staff at MountainView Clubhouse, and the SaddleBrooke Patrol for their support. Special thanks to our SaddleBrooke community for remembering us on such a blustery day. Let's hope next year we are met with sunny skies on the morning of our 2014 Food Drive.

**Mission Statement**

***To make a positive impact on the lives of needy school children in neighboring communities through improved self-respect, better school attendance and higher scholastic achievement!***

## Three's Company: Community Nonprofits Share Ideas at Meet And Greet Event



*(L-R) Diane Ray, Maggie DeBlock, Stephanie Urdiales, and Bob Richards share a light moment at the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Meet and Greet event. (Photos by Rick Cato)*



*There was lots to share among members from SBCO, The Golden Goose, and Catalina Community Services.*

Earlier this month three of our community's most relevant non-profits came together to hold a second "Board Meet & Greet." The March 2<sup>nd</sup> event was hosted by Catalina Community Services (CCS) and its board president Bob Richards. Some 45 board members, staff, and guests from CSS, SaddleBrooke Community Outreach (SBCO), and The Golden Goose Thrift Shop (GGTS) met at HOA1's Activity Center to share their current and future programming and to strengthen the already strong relationship among these organizations. In addition to the information shared that evening bread was broken, beverages were consumed, fun prizes were raffled, and the music of harpist Hanna Castro was enjoyed by all.

It is not a commonly held fact but the Golden Goose is the creation of SBCO and CCS. Since then The Goose's considerable revenues have been used to fund SBCO and CCS programs. Millions of dollars have been raised and applied to community needs. Board presidents Bob Richards (CCS) and Maggie DeBlock (SBCO) shared their belief that although there are plenty of thrift shops in this world there is only ONE Golden Goose. Both were quite pointed in their expression of appreciation to Goose board president Diane Ray and to Goose manager Stephanie Urdiales for their leadership of the Goose and its army of skilled volunteers. Bob Richards challenged the three organizations to collaborate in an effort to combine resources to develop a program to address pressing community needs.



Happy Anniversary and Thank You, Golden Goose  
 By Ann Coziahr

The *Golden Goose* Thrift Shop will be celebrating its tenth anniversary this year and its third year at its nearly-new 13,000 square foot location. During this time, The Goose is proud to have been able to provide over four million dollars to its benefiting non-profit charities, Saddlebrooke Community Outreach and Catalina Community Services. It hopes to reach the five million dollar mark by its anniversary April 15, 2013. This great success story is possible because of hardworking volunteers, generous donors, and the best customers on Planet Earth! SaddleBrooke Community Outreach is able to continue and expand its many programs and construct the new mortgage-free Kids' Closet building in Mammoth due in great part to the monies received from the Goose. Please continue to show your support for Outreach by shopping, donating and volunteering at the Golden Goose Thrift Shop - where good things happen every day!!



## Catalina Knights of Columbus Donate Books to Kids' Closet

By Pat Ford

"I love my books," is a frequent comment from the children when they come to Kids' Closet for new clothes. In addition to receiving new pants, shirts, shoes, socks and underwear, toiletries and a dress or hat and belt the kids also get to choose two books appropriate for their age group.

Many of these books are new and all are carefully selected and graded by our book ladies: Sandy Simester, Nancy Bowersock, and Arlene Bathgate. Recently The Knights of Columbus of Santa Catalina Catholic Church had a drive for new books for Kids' Closet and we received about 500 books from them. They have indicated they want to do this again next Christmas season. If you have grandchildren with books they have outgrown, a former school, or other sources of children's books; think of donating them to Kids' Closet. Many times these are the only books these kids get!"

## Thank You, Teen Closet

SBCO's Teen Closet Shopping program took place this past January under the capable leadership of Doris Clark and Mimi Sander. In this program eligible high school students and volunteer shoppers are paired for a one-on-one shopping experience. The students are given a budget of about \$150.00 to select school clothes and some school supplies under the watchful, guiding eyes of the SaddleBrooke volunteer shoppers.

How do students qualify for this program? Needy students are recommended from Coronado K-8 School in Catalina and Mountain Vista School in Oracle as they prepare to enter either Canyon del Oro or Ironwood Ridge High Schools. Some of these students are former clients of the Kids' Closet. Eligibility requires excellent school attendance, good grades (C or 2.0 average), the recommendation of a school counselor, and the completion of six hours of community service. Upon graduation those Teen Closet students who perform successfully throughout their high school years become eligible for a SaddleBrooke Community Outreach college scholarship. Teen Closet operates each January and July. Volunteers are always needed. Interested? Contact an SBCO at its Suite L (SaddleBrooke Commercial Center) location.—**Doris Clark**

## Congratulations and Thanks

### Announcing the Volunteer(s) and Sponsor of the Year

By Maggie DeBlock, President, SBCO

During next month's general meeting and program, SBCO will recognize and celebrate with its volunteers another great year full of sterling accomplishments. Its primary accomplishment is the grand opening and moving into Kids' Closet's 12,000-square-foot building in Mammoth.

**Volunteers of the Year.** And from SBCO's flagship program (Kids' Closet) this year's volunteer of the year has been selected. The volunteer of the year this year is actually three Kids' Closet volunteers. They are **Melanie Stout, Patricia Tewskbury and Pat Schlote**. These tireless women spent numerous hours in planning the Closet's warehouse activities and since have provided a smooth transition from the former Kids' Closet location in San Manuel to our new facility in Mammoth. Since our opening, the warehouse is operating 100 percent. Melanie, Patricia, and Pat routinely go above and beyond to assist our "dressers" with just the right clothing for our hard to clothe clients. They are the epitome of an SBCO-Kids' Closet volunteer.

**SBCO's 2012-2013 sponsor of the year is TB Contractors (TBC) from Catalina.** SBCO could not have dreamed of having a better partner to build its new home for Kids' Closet. The TBC guys were always ready to provide a helping hand with any and all SBCO activities. Last year as well as with the most recent Food Drive, they provided a crew and truck to transport food boxes to the Tri-Community Food Bank in Mammoth. In addition, TBC was the first to donate money to help with expenses to decorate the new Kids' Closet. Even though the building is long finished, we can always count on TBC to lend a helping hand.

Help us honor these fine recipients by attending April's General Meeting and program, April 8th at 3:00pm in MVCC's ballroom.

Congratulations and thanks to our volunteer(s) and sponsor of the year.