



STONE CANYON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

EMPOWERING YOUTH TO ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS!



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UPCOMING EVENTS



TO BE OR NOT TO BE – THAT IS THE QUESTION!

CATS IN THE CANYON 2021?

Unfortunately, the answer is still unknown. Hopefully, in April, COVID will have abated and it will be safe for Stone Canyon members and the UA Men's and Women's golf teams to participate in a live golf event.

MR SKYNYRD BAND CONCERT

Only time will tell when the concert will be held. The SCCF Canyon Connections team is standing by and ready to leap into action as soon as they get the "go ahead" for the event. As always, the safety of the Stone Canyon members is of paramount importance and will determine the timing.

COMING IN JANUARY!

Exclusively for Stone Canyon Members!

Limited Edition Match III items signed by all four players!



Donated by The Stone Canyon Club for the benefit of The Stone Canyon Community Foundation. Details to follow!

Please send photos and event info to the SCCF NEWS Editor at yvonnegagnon@aol.com

HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM SCCF



We hope this finds you safe and well. Never has this meant more than during this time of global pandemic. Despite these challenging times, the Holidays are a time we can pause to reflect on family and friends, the prospect of good health, and hope for prosperity for all. And although our gatherings this Holiday Season may be more

intimate and the turkeys a bit smaller, we are reminded how special our relationships with each other truly are.

For our Foundation, there is great reason for celebration and the prospect that we can continue to serve youth-at-risk when the need has never been greater. This past year, even when we cancelled Cats in the Canyon and the Fall Gala for safety reasons, our membership came forward with incredible generosity that resulted in our best year of fundraising ever! Thank you for your moral and financial support to continue our mission of giving back to the Tucson community.

On behalf of the SCCF Board, we send you best wishes for a safe and healthy Holiday Season.

Tom Longlet
Anne Jones
SCCF Co-Chairs



ANNUAL APPEAL DONATIONS CONTINUE!

The previous email reporting the total 2020 Annual Appeal donations was premature. Donations have continued to come in! The new grand total for the 2020 Annual Appeal is **\$257,225!**

A belated "Thank You" to those donors we didn't recognize in our earlier report: Elaine Beck, Kathy and Jim Edris, Miriam and Mark Rios, and Ruth Fischer-Wright & Craig Wright.

Here are some comments from our grateful Grantees:

Thank you! We are grateful and fortunate to have such strong support!
-- Imago Dei Middle School

Your support means the world! Together, BGCT and SCCF are building great futures for our community's most deserving youth!
--Boys and Girls Club of Tucson

We are so grateful for what SCCF is providing for our teachers, our tutors, and most importantly, our students!
--Painted Sky Elementary School

GOODBYE...



Joan Manning is leaving the SCCF Board at the end of December. Joan has served on the Board since 2016 and did an amazing job as the Chair of Cats in the Canyon. Joan was always ready for the next challenge and got the job done! Thank you for your commitment, enthusiasm and many contributions to the SCCF.



Gretchen Price Schar After serving as the SCCF Co-Treasurer since 2019, Gretchen Price Schar is relocating to Palo Alto, California with her new husband, Mark. Her sound guidance and impeccable record-keeping were always appreciated. Thank you, Gretchen, for volunteering your time and talent – and Congratulations!

...HELLO



Jim and Jane Davlin became new members of the Stone Canyon Community in 2019. Following a 30-year career in corporate finance, Jim retired from General Motors as Vice President, Finance and Treasurer. He and Jane are dividing their time between Michigan and Arizona. In January, Jim will succeed Gretchen as the SCCF Co-Treasurer. Welcome, Jim!



Paula and Paul Juffer have been members of Stone Canyon since 2018. They are from Iowa and plan to spend six months each year in Stone Canyon. Paula retired as Director, Principal Financial Group, where her most recent position was Interim Director of Principal's \$300 million Foundation. Paula will join the SCCF as a Board Member in January and will work closely with the Communications Committee.



Teri and Dave Button come to Stone Canyon from Iowa where Teri is the VP-Organizational Effectiveness at Principal Financial Group. She also was on the Audit Committee for the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines for 10 years. Teri will be joining the SCCF as a Board Member and will work with the Co-Treasurers on SCCF financial matters.



THE BIG CHILL

"Dinner and Movie" was donated to the silent auction by Connie and Mike Genuardi at the 2018 "Thanks for Giving" Fall Event. It was a long time coming, but the evening recently took place in the Genuardi's home theater.

The eight SC members who purchased this silent auction item enjoyed a pulled pork dinner, drinks, and The Big Chill. The event raised \$1,050 for the SCCF. Participants included Gretchen Byrd, Sue Keeney, Diane and Mike Kelly, Sally and Steve Pagnucco and Malinda and Bob Magel.



THE MAN BEHIND THE CAMERA!

There are many unsung heroes who contribute their time and talent to the SCCF, but none more elusive than Bill Welsh. Of the thousands of pictures of SCCF events posted on the website, there was only one of Bill. Why? Because for years he has always been on the other side of the lens.

Bill was on the first SCCF Board when the Foundation was formed in 2008 and has been an active supporter ever since. Thank you, Bill, for recording the history of the Stone Canyon Community Foundation. You have captured so many wonderful memories of SCCF events!

100 CARS RESPOND TO DRIVE-THRU! GREAT TURNOUT! THANKS TO ALL!

The 2020 "Spirit of Giving Drive-Thru" was a great success! Over 100 vehicles drove around the roundabout at the Stone Canyon Health and Fitness Center to make their donations. The beneficiaries of the event were two local non-profit agencies:

- **Casa de los Niños**, a first year SCCF Grant Recipient, which provides behavioral health services for children and youth as well as early childhood intervention, and
- **Literacy Connects**, an eight-year SCCF Grant Recipient, which coaches children in reading so they don't fall behind in school.

The December 3rd event was sponsored by Canyon Connections, a committee of the SCCF that is chaired by Connie Genuardi and Jeff Grobstein. Adapting to Covid-19 Protocols, the event was organized as a

"Drive-Thru" – a first-ever format for the SCCF. It was held from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Before they drove away, donors were offered their choice of Hot Chocolate, Schnapps or Baileys Irish Cream.

The response of the Stone Canyon members was amazing! A pick-up truck and an SUV were filled to the brim with items from each organization's Wish List - playtime, drawing, and reading materials as well as needed articles of toddlers' clothing, Kleenex and paper towels for Casa de los Ninos. Literacy Connects requested illustrated children's books focused on cultural diversity to expand this offering in their library.

Donations were delivered the following day to both non-profit agencies. The recipients were overwhelmed by the generosity of the Stone Canyon members and were deeply grateful.

SPiRiT OF GiViNG



L to R: Mikaela Ross (Casa de Los Niños), Malinda Magel, Connie Genuardi, Mayola Rodriguez (Casa de Los Niños)



Olaf – aka Barbara Parker – greets the Stone Canyon members!*



Refreshments served by Haley from The Stone Canyon Club



The Spirit of Giving Drive-Thru Committee*
L-R John Parker, Dwight Hendrickson, Connie Genuardi, Cristiane Hendrickson, Malinda Magel, Olaf aka Barbara Parker, Mike Genuardi and Susan Maxwell

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

*Masks were removed for the photos

OFF TO A GREAT START!

THE STONE CANYON COMMUNITY LEGACY FUND was initiated this year as a long-term solution to the long-term problems of youth in need. SCCF's vision is to grow the Legacy Fund over time so that most of its income to fund grants would flow from legacy pledges rather than annual fund-raising or giving campaigns.

In the first-year, results have been impressive – exceeding \$3 million in pledges. However, support from many more Stone Canyon members is needed. Please consider making a pledge to assure that the funding on which SCCF grantees



depend for their yearly budgets and programs are available.

For more information, please contact Joel Chansky, SCCF Board Member: joelchansky@comcast.net, or **CLICK HERE** to see a copy of the SC Community Legacy Fund brochure.

DOLLAR-FOR DOLLAR TAX CREDITS FOR AZ RESIDENTS! DECIDE HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT!

Your AZ tax liability can be reduced by up to \$4,565 (for married couples filing jointly) when you donate to approved AZ organizations that are Qualified Foster Care Organizations, Qualified Charitable Organizations, Private Schools or Public Schools.

All Grantees of the Stone Canyon Community Foundation qualify for an AZ Tax Credit!

To see a list of the qualified SCCF Grantees **CLICK HERE**

It's easy to make a donation!
Go to aztaxcreditfunds.com
GET YOUR AZ TAX CREDIT NOW!

No doubt, 2021 will present new challenges. However, the coming year also brings hope, fresh ideas and new opportunities.

The Stone Canyon Community Foundation will strive to fulfill its mission and thereby show local youth-in-need that their community believes in them, invests in them and wants them to succeed.

Be Well and Happy New Year!

