

Operation: Care and Comfort February 2022



A Note From Operation: Care and Comfort

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Time certainly flies. I realized last week that OCC is in its 20th year! How incredible is that? Still an all-volunteer organization and going strong. THANK YOU to our incredible volunteers over two decades- some who have been with us the entire time. I love my extended family!

February is here, and the Super Bowl and love is in the air! Valentines Day is coming up next week, so be sure to show and share your love. We at OCC will be meeting at our storage units to box care packages for forward deployed troops. Definitely our labor of love! February is also Black History Month. Find an awesome way to volunteer and celebrate this month — it sure makes us feel great, even if our bodies are weary after.

Looks like things are opening up a bit, and we have scheduled our first big event of 2022 — our charity poker tournament with the San Jose Giants on Sunday June 12th (the week before Father's Day.) It was a HUGE success last year, and everyone had a great time, so we want 2022 to be bigger and better. As always, sponsorships are available and every level offers FREE tickets for troops and veterans to attend and play FREE. We are also looking for awesome raffle and silent auction gifts. Please contact me if you have any ideas. We will be posting links to our updated registration page soon. Mark your calendar!

Thank you for your encouraging emails and comments regarding our work. It is always fantastic to hear from you. Enjoy this short month!

Julie DeMaria
President
Operation: Care and Comfort

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Charity Poker - Excite Ballpark - June 12, 2022



Storage Warriors — Packaging in San Jose

On Monday, February 7, OCC key volunteers met at our storage units and made hundreds of individual hygiene packs which will go into our care packages next week.

We also sorted and packed donations of auto, household and personal care items which will be donated to the Travis Spouses Club, for their thrift store.

It's been an incredibly busy two weeks but we never retreat!

It is always fun when the gang gets together. No matter the weather it seems, rain or sunshine, warm or chilly. Our team keeps it moving.

What can we say - we are proud of their dedication! *Thanks team!*



Play Virtual Bingo — And Help OCC At The Same Time

Who doesn't like to yell "Bingo!"

Rotary San Jose / East Evergreen and San Jose Silicon Valley Rotary are holding a VIRTUAL bingo event. It is on Friday, February 18, 2022 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.

OCC is one of the beneficiaries of this fund raising event.

For more details, click on the image or this link: [Virtual Bingo](#)

Rotary
PEOPLE of ACTION

Hosted By:
Rotary San Jose/East Evergreen & San Jose Silicon Valley Rotary

When:
February 18th 2022 Friday: 7PM to 8:30PM

Entry Fees:
\$20 for 4 cards (minimum 20 players)
5th Game (Optional): \$50 (Minimum 10 players) Includes Entry to win timeshare

WIN First 4 Games Prizes: \$50 Gift Card per Game (Choose from Amazon, Cosco, Starbucks, Safeway)
Prize for 5th Game: Cash \$250

Two Nights at WorldMark Resort, Anaheim - Near Disneyland
Dates: July 8 and 9. Sleeps 4-6
<https://www.WorldMarkTheClub.com/Resorts/aa/>

Please Note: Entry Fees paid are not eligible for charitable deduction

Play Virtual Bingo For the Benefit of
Rotary SJSV and SJE/E: Community Service Projects

BINGO



To Register:
Email: Brian Bianco (Bianco5479@gmail.com)
Text: 408-309-3480

Payment needs to be received by
February 16th 2022

Kids Kits Coming to Beale AFB on Valentine's Day!

We think these "kid kits" we made are awesome! We made about 225 kits for toddlers to high school aged kids. They will be distributed at **Beale AFB** for *Valentines Day*, from OCC!

Each "kid kit" has a new DVD, book or craft kit, candy, masks, plush toy, and some have kite kits and art supplies!

We **LOVE** our supporters who donated the items to put these gifts together. Can't wait to see photos of kids with the bags!



Spreading Christmas Cheer At Travis AFB

OCC provided the Christmas treats for the Travis Air Force Base family. The Travis Spouse's Club distributed them to the airmen working that day and to those who visited the Monarch Dining facility. Bringing smiles to a rainy day!



Veterans Canteen Service — Discounts and More



Did you know that the VA has their own retail store **on-line** and in various VA facilities?

Great Deals! Discounts for Veterans, VA Employees and their families!

Covid-19 Vaccines For Nor Cal Veterans

The VA Nor Cal Health Care System offers the Covid-19 vaccines to all enrolled veterans, regardless of age and their registered care givers.

Click on the VA image for the link for all information and questions.



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OCC's Tickets For Troops

The past two months, our **Tickets for Troops** program distributed **(FREE)** tickets to events such as:

- *Tampa Bay Lightning vs San Jose Sharks — Jan 22*
- *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory — Jan 19*
- *Los Angeles Kings vs San Jose Sharks — Jan 17*
- *New York Rangers vs San Jose Sharks — Jan 13*
- *Detroit Red Wings vs San Jose Sharks — Jan 11*
- *Stockton Heat vs San Jose Barracuda — Jan 2*
- *Houston Texans vs San Francisco 49'ers — Jan 2*
- *Dallas Mavericks vs Sacramento Kings (Golden 1 Arena) — Dec 31*
- *Arizona Coyotes vs San Jose Sharks — Dec 28*
- *Memphis Grizzlies vs Sacramento Kings (Golden 1 Arena) — Dec 26*
- *Atlanta Falcons vs San Francisco 49'ers — Dec 19*
- *Seattle Kraken vs San Jose Sharks — Dec 14*
- *Calgary Flames vs San Jose Sharks — Dec 7*

Follow our Facebook page for future events!

Just a friendly reminder:

If you are receiving this email, chances are you are already on our **Tickets For Troops list. No need to sign-up again!**



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