

# Rotary Club of Sugar House



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The Sugar House Rotary The Sweetest Club in Rotary District 5420

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Thursday Noon, Zoom Meeting

## OPENING – 12:15 PM

**Pledge/4-Way:** Jim Beck  
**Prayer/Thought:** Rich Young  
**Sargeant at Arms:** Barry Bank

## August Birthdays

3--Rick Augustine  
12--Steve Knudson  
13--VL Kesler  
28--Robert Woodbury  
29--Craig Kaelin

## BIRTHDAY SONG

Fellow Rotarians, we're glad you're here,  
For we understand your birth-dates are near . . . So if it's passed today, tomorrow . . . Here's a phrase we'll gladly borrow . . . **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

## Craft Talk

### Allen W. Frost

Allen was born one early morning on April 1st of 1969, favorite toy was a romper stomper truck, his favorite drink is a Large Coke Zero and favorite food is Lasagna, he's an Aries and claims his younger brother is his hero for overcoming health issues in his childhood and becoming a great supporter of "the great smile" movement; a great example for him. Best lesson in life is "you are never too old to follow your dreams",

No sports and he doesn't practice them often either.

He likes baking and think that if he didn't have to sleep he will be baking, cheesecake and pop pancakes (ask him for the recipe) his favorite piece of clothing is his basketball shorts.



If money wasn't an issue he would be flying his own planes. Azkaban is his favorite fictional place

and the last time he climbed a tree was 8 years old.

He will like to master debate so feel free to start one when you see him.

He would love to visit Brazil and dislikes Texas and Oregon. He completely memorized the song "Baby Shark" and his pet from his childhood was a dog named "Sparky" that passed away by getting hit by a car. The first question he would ask after waking up by being frozen for hundred years by Cryogenics would be "What's my name?" And, " ..did it work?" Loves to see acts of kindness around him. Allen loves music and his favorite band is Imagine Dragons and never watches TV. He admires his mom because she raised 3 boys and they all have college

degrees and no criminal records. The best ideal weekend would be spending it with his family some place with plum trees. He loves Tillamook ice cream from Oregon. Likes thriller movies that keep him on the edge of his seat. July 27 is the most important day of the calendar because he was married that day. Harry Potter series are his favorites. Allen, Studied Copywriting at Weber State University, was born in Portland Oregon and works as the Marketing Director of Chick-fil-A in Sugar House. He's married to Julie N. Frost and they have two beautiful daughters. He's an amazing leader and a great person even though he claims his middle name is Pocahontas.

## Membership and What You Can Do to Increase It

A discussion led by Therese Milad. Supporting cast:

- Alison Trouse
- David Baranowski
- Julio Garreud
- Dick Fox
- Eric Champeau

# As pandemic increases need, Utah-based nonprofit Eye Care 4 Kids ready to double its capacity

Coronavirus outbreak has increased kids' need for affordable eye care, founder says

By [Ashley Imlay@ashleyimlay.com](mailto:AshleyImlay@ashleyimlay.com) Aug 3, 2020, 4:07pm MDT



Dignitaries shovel soil during a groundbreaking ceremony for an Eye Care 4 Kids clinic in Midvale on Monday, Aug. 3, 2020. *Yukai Peng, Deseret News*

MIDVALE — Nonprofit Eye Care 4 Kids on Monday broke ground on an expansion of its Utah clinic that officials say will double the number of children it can serve.

“There are approximately 50,000 children that start school every August and they’re not getting a vision screening, they’re not getting an eye examination and they’re not getting glasses,” nonprofit founder Joseph Carbone told the *Deseret News*.

“Mostly because their families cannot afford it. Their families are deciding whether they’ll pay for the rent, or we’ll buy food and things like that, and so

they’ll go without eye care,” he explained, citing state data.

And the pandemic has exacerbated that need, Carbone said.

“Because of the COVID pandemic, there are so many people that have lost their jobs, they’re unemployed, and are struggling because of this. We will see a great increase in the number of children that we will see. And we’ve opened up our doors to the families of these children, so if their mom and dad need help, we’ll help them the same way. ... And so we feel we’re a vital part of COVID relief.”

The addition to the Midvale clinic at 6911 South State is expected to be completed in October. The program’s mobile clinics visit rural areas, where many don’t have access to affordable eye care. Officials, including Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes, Dr. Marc Babitz, deputy director of the Utah Department of Health, and Midvale Mayor Robert Hale attended the groundbreaking on Monday.

Nineteen years ago, Carbone and his wife began the program thinking “maybe we would help 100 children a year.”

But since then, Eye Care 4 Kids has exploded into a multistate nonprofit that has helped 300,000 and donated \$90 million in eye care services. It also has clinics in Las Vegas, Phoenix and Newark, New Jersey.

Carbone said the service “bridges a very vital gap.”

If a child can’t see well, they’re not going to be able read properly, and if they can’t read, they’re not going to be able to

learn as well as other students. If they’re not going to learn, they’ll often end up in the judicial system as they get older, Carbone said, quoting Reyes’ message during the groundbreaking.

“It’s a very vital part of a child’s education, comprehension, reading,” Carbone noted.

The program is funded by donations from individuals, family foundations and corporations.

Eye Care 4 Kids is currently holding a campaign to raise enough money to give 1,000 kids an eye examination and pair of glasses this August. Those interested can donate \$35, which will provide the service for one child.

“This is a team sport. We need all of our clinicians and we need the community all to get together to do this,” Carbone said.

For more information, visit [eyecare4kids.org](http://eyecare4kids.org).



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