

Rotary



Club of Tampa

Thursday, July 8, 2021

Upcoming Events

July 13th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Club President Linda Devine and club leadership

Subject: It's a New Rotary Year!

July 17th

The Big Backpack Build!

July 20th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Mayor Jane Castor

Subject: News from the City of Tampa

July 27th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Brian Ford, Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Subject: News from your Super Bowl Champions!

August 3rd

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Stuart Wingate & Clovey

Subject: Guide Dog Foundation

August 10th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Alex Sanchez, Pres & CEO, Florida Bankers Association

Subject: The state of banking in Florida

Happy Birthday!



Charles V. Williams
July 14th



Latour Rey Lafferty
July 15th



Michael O. Abdoney
July 17th

Your Leaders

Linda W. Devine
Ph.D.
President

Serve to Change Lives - It's a New Rotary Year!



Welcome to a new Rotary year!

This year's theme of Serve to Change Lives is a powerful reminder that our work matters. At our first meeting of the new club year, join President Linda Devine and her leadership team as we lay the groundwork for the twelve months to come.

A word from your new President, Linda Devine...

The new Rotary year has begun, and it is ironic that the international month theme is Transitions. We are transitioning in so many ways as we move through Pandemic: re-connecting with friends and colleagues, accessing goods and services in person, and otherwise navigating the new normal that COVID-19 has brought us. Rotary has always risen to the challenge, and as Rotarians we find ways to support our communities and each other. Today's program will

highlight some of those upcoming plans in light of our Club history and the feedback from our members. Please join us!

[Click here to register for the live luncheon.](#) Members attend at no charge, and guests pay \$20 to join us. Space is always limited, so please register in advance so you know there is a meal for you!

Or, Join Zoom to catch it on screen!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85466963279?pwd=bU5ZbnpQTGZldXNwYnVJc3ZBUW5ydz09>

Meeting ID: 854 6696 3279

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Pack 30k backpacks in huge community event next Saturday

It is the first service event of a new Rotary year!

Bring your family (ages 8 and up) and help build 30,000 backpacks for students in some of our most struggling local neighborhoods. Backpacks will be distributed at the Back to School Bash at Raymond James Stadium in August. All this comes through the efforts of the Bullard Family Foundation (Titus O'Neal).

Lunch and tee shirts are included, and teens get those much needed service hours. And yes, it is inside! See the flyer for all the details and spread the word. If you cannot attend all day, no problem - just comes when you can!

[Click here to register.](#) and [RSVP here](#) to let us know you are coming! We will follow up with any updates too.



Christine L. Derr
President - Elect



Malia Powers
Secretary



Charles V. Williams
Treasurer



Benjamin David
Sergeant-at-Arms



Steve Overton
Assistant Governor



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BACK TO SCHOOL BASH! 2021

The BIG BACKPACK BUILD

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WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
 for one of the largest backpack builds in the world! Help stuff 30,000 Backpacks with school supplies for public school children in our most struggling neighborhoods.

Saturday, July 17, 2021*
 9 a.m - 3 p.m.
 Lunch donated by BOLAY FRESH IDEAS Kitchen

*Please note this date may change based on the outcome of the Stanley Cup finals

Amalie Arena
 401 Channelside Dr, Tampa, FL 33602

THADDEUS BULLARD
 AKA WWE SUPERSTAR AND GLOBAL AMBASSADOR
 TITUS O'NEIL

Spotlight Rotarian - Dora Zuñiga

At each of our club luncheons this year, Club Secretary Malia Powers has the privilege of spotlighting one member of our club. What a great opportunity to get to know a member better and celebrate their service to our Club and community!

Spotlight Rotarian - Dora Zuñiga

Tell us about yourself! I'm the oldest daughter of Mexican immigrants who took the best of her Mexican culture and the best of her American culture. Both my American and Mexican side said go to college. The Mexican side said go to UT-Austin close to home. The American side said spread your wings--I went to the University of Wisconsin Madison because that meant I would get to go far, far away. I fell in love with Madison and lived there until I moved to Florida in 2018.



How long have you been a Rotarian? I have had the pleasure of being a Rotarian for 27 years, thanks to the encouragement of my mentor Karl Kellor.

What is your favorite part about Rotary? Gosh that's a hard question to answer! 99% of the time I love the programs because they give me the opportunity to learn about some issue or cause that I normally wouldn't explore on my own. A second close favorite is that when you meet someone and they notice you are a Rotarian (always wear your Rotary button) no matter where you meet them you automatically are offered friendship--Rotary brings people together and opens doors.

Dora serves our club as a very active member of the Rotary Club of Tampa Foundation board of trustees, spearheading our 1914 Club committee and sharing her passion for donor relations. She brings a great depth of experience to our club from her past service at the RC of Madison and in the Madison community, where she was CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters and development director at Wisconsin Public Radio, among many other roles, earning statewide accolades on the way. She joined our club in 2019 and is a health insurance advisor at US Health Advisors.

Hello from an old friend....

When President Linda reached out to all members recently, she received some heartwarming replies from our members. We miss **Jim Heck's** baritone and wonderful demeanor at our lunches, and he sends his best to us! Here are his words.....



"Thanks for the Happy Fourth message. And same to you as well. I am as good as you can expect for an almost 91 year old. Now living with my daughter with help of several caregivers. Jo Ann is also doing well for a 91 year old who is crippled. It is difficult to try to get to meetings. Sorry to



miss the fellowship that I found there. I send my love to all my friends. Jim"
