

ROTARY CLUB OF DR. PHILLIPS NEWSLETTER

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WE'RE BACK

It's been since March since we've done a bulletin so we'll be periodically sending one out even as we meet virtually.

This one is fully dedicated to our last two meetings. But send us our news and we'll get back to pushing the information out!

LAST WEEK

President Mary Ellen wasted no time in getting the new District Governor, Michael Vernon, who didn't disappoint. He was joined by our new Assistant Governor, Greg Gorski. While it was all Zoom meeting, DG Michael shared a strong vision for the future of Rotary, our District and our Club.



2020-2021

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WHAT A YEAR IT WAS AND WHAT A YEAR IT WILL BE

Immediate past president Bethany Stone drew her very unusual year to a close and was able to welcome and induct our new president, Mary Ellen Kerber, to the presidency. With a mix of members dining together for the first time in months as well as those still at home (or Colorado!!) on Zoom, both our past DG's Art Brown and Ron Janssen were able to make the ceremony special!



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President's Monthly Message

Many of us recently have spoken these words. "What a crazy world we are living in" I truly believe it is very appropriate as we navigate the current times and the future ahead. I reflected back on the speech RI President Holgar Knaack gave here in Orlando during President-elect's training. Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, presidential theme is, Rotary Opens Opportunities.

How best do we as Rotarians proceed in every day life? How does Rotary impact us? How do we impact Rotary?

I would like to share some of his thoughts with my fellow Dr. Phillips Rotarians.

I hope you get as inspired by his words as I have. Thank you for trusting me to serve as your president this year. I am truly honored and humbled by this opportunity.

Rotary International President Holger Knaack is encouraging Rotarians to seize the many opportunities Rotary offers to enrich their lives and the communities they serve.

Rotary isn't just a club for people to join, but rather "an invitation to endless opportunities," He emphasized that Rotary creates pathways for members to improve their lives and the lives of those they help through service projects.

"We believe that our acts of service, big and small, create opportunities for people who need our help," He added that Rotary creates leadership opportunities and gives members the chance to travel the world to put their service ideas into action and make lifelong connections. "Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere.

Changing for the future

He also urged members to embrace change so Rotary can expand and thrive. Rather than setting a specific target for increasing the number of members, He said he's asking clubs and districts to think about how to grow in a sustainable and organic way. He wants clubs to focus on keeping current members engaged and adding new members who are the right fit for their club.

We will capture this moment to grow Rotary, making it stronger, more adaptable, and even more aligned with our core values.

"We need to stop thinking of new members as people we can mark down as statistics and then forget about," "Every new member changes us a little bit. That person brings a new perspective, new experiences. We need to embrace this constant renewal. We will grow stronger as we learn from new members." At that meeting, clubs should ask where they want to be in five years and how they can bring more value to their members.

He also wants to see more women in leadership roles and see Rotaractors play an integral role in how new clubs are formed and run. He encouraged district leaders to create new club models and rethink what it means to be in Rotary, and allow young people to be the architects of these new clubs.

"We have to be open to new approaches, and creating unique clubs for younger people is just part of the solution," "Let Rotaractors decide what kind of Rotary experience works best for them. These young people are bright, energetic, and they get things done."

In stressing the need for Rotary members to embrace change, He noted that time won't slow down for Rotary: "We will not let rapid change defeat us. We will capture this moment to grow Rotary, making it stronger, more adaptable, and even more aligned with our core values."

Rotary Opens Opportunities!



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USO REMINDER

Rotary remains a big supporter of the new USO Center at OIA. The USO Center is located in Terminal A, Ground Level, Level 1, West Side/Land Side. Its open 7 days a week, 6AM to 8PM and volunteers are always welcome and needed.

Because the Orlando center supports traveling active duty military, their families AND veterans, there is a need for a wide variety of items at the center in addition to volunteering.

Visit volunteers.uso.org for details and to start the volunteer process.



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THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Richard Jackson is recovering from cancer surgery and needs our prayers.

Dana Worthington's husband **Harold** is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Bruno Portigliatti's mom's cancer is back and needs our prayers.

Keith Odza's wife **Sheryl** is fighting cancer and needs our prayers.

Larry Lynch's niece is recovering from her t-cell transplant regimen.

Ross Marvin is fighting cancer and needs our prayers.

Please keep everyone in your thoughts and prayers.

THE unofficial FIVE WAY TEST... of things we think, say and do.

1. **Is it the TRUTH?**
2. **Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
3. **Will it build goodwill and better FRIENDSHIPS?**
4. **Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**
5. **Is it FUN?**

July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Officer Installation	2	3	
5	6 Happy Birthday Rich Maladecki	7	8 Michael Howard DG 6980 Happy Birthday Tony DiSanza	9	10 Happy Birthday Duncan Dickson	11
12	13	14	15 Club Business ZOOM MEETING	16 Happy Birthday Tom Meena	17 Happy Birthday Nicholas Geinosky Carin Nagy Raleigh Steinhauer Thomas Tukdarian	18
19	20 Monthly Board Meeting	21	22 Dr. A. Crespo Orlando Health ZOOM MEETING	23	24 Happy Birthday Shannon Hoagland	25
26	27	28	29 Roy Ellison NFL ZOOM MEETING Happy Birthday Jerry Blanton Christie McLeod	30 Happy Birthday Ken Peach	31	