

THE STAFFORD ROTARY HIGHLIGHTER

December 8, 2021



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM: CLUB FORUM

Officers for Rotary year 2022-23

Community Service Projects January – June

Rotary encourages every club to hold elections of club officers for the next Rotary year (July – June) during the month of December.

Why so early, and why do we elect our President Elect and President Nominee 18 months and 30 months ahead of time? Here's a work sheet from PETS (Presidents Elect Training Seminar) outlining month by month the work that PEs need to do to get ready for their Rotary year.

[Timeline-For-Club-Presidents-2020-2021 EN.verJan-2020.pdf](#)

Thank you to every Rotarian who agrees to serve as a club officer and/or committee chair.

Club Calendar...

December – Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

- Dec. 8 – Club Forum
- Dec. 15 – Christmas Party , Maria's House
- No noon meetings on Dec. 22 and 29

December Birthdays

Michael Smith 12/5
Mike Catell 12/13
Dylan Oakes 12/15

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President Jake welcomed guests and visiting Rotarians: Delegate Joshua Cole, Bill Cawley, Sue Henderson, Jim Tully and AG Rene Laws. He reminded everyone of the December 4 Ringing the Bell for the Salvation Army.

Jamie announced the Florida Vacation Property Raffle. The link for the raffle is <https://checkout.square.site/merchant/KYZF8V3JHPKHA/checkout/2CRLFAREXXRBRBTSIMZOFNKZ>

We'll be raffling off a week in a luxurious 3 bedroom condominium right outside the Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Florida. All you need to do is share the link above. Tickets are \$25 a piece, and we'll close the raffle on December 20, drawing December 21.

The Christmas party will be December 15 at the home of Maria Riegger and Doug Gatley.

There will be no Rotary meetings December 22 or 29. Happy Holidays!



President Jake and PDG Sandy presented a Paul Harris Fellowship to Virginia House Delegate Joshua Cole in recognition of his outstanding assistance in working with Governor Northam's office to make the official declaration of World Polio Day in Virginia. Thank you, so much Delegate Cole.

Sue Henderson from the Stafford Historical Museum and AG Rene Laws reported on the success of Via Colori. Each of the Rotary clubs received over \$3,000 for their part in this event.





Our guest speaker Bill Cawley, a member of the Rotary e-Club for Global Peacebuilders., gave a wonderful presentation on peacebuilding. He discussed the history of Rotary's role in building peace in the world and the difference between negative peace and positive peace. He discussed the Global Peace Index and our country's rather dismal ranking among peaceful nations.

Bill's presentation is available on our club webpage at <https://staffordrotary.org/news-and-stories-recent-speakers-at-club-meetings/>



POSITIVE PEACE

Defined as the attitudes, institutions, and structures that, when strengthened, lead to a more peaceful society. Positive Peace describes an optimum environment for human potential to flourish.

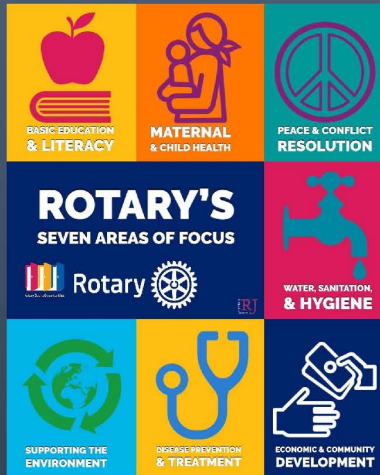
It is not only associated with higher levels of peace, it is also associated with stronger macroeconomic performance, as the factors that sustain highly peaceful societies also provide a framework for robust economic development.





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Thank you, Bill for an excellent program.



During the Happy Cup time Donna shared that she and President Jake had a house fire before Thanksgiving. Jake was “singed, but otherwise unharmed”. They will be living in temporary housing for 8 to 12 months as the interior of their house is rebuilt. Donna said that they don’t need dinners or other help of that sort. The help she is hoping for is that every Rotary club member attends meetings regularly, volunteers to work on club projects, and be the best Rotarians possible to help President Jake during the rest of his year as club president.