



BULLETIN

Club Meeting

New Tampa
Meets at Currently meeting via Hybrid format (Zoom and in-person) until further notice. Tampa Palms Golf & Country Club
5811 Tampa Palms Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33646
Time: Friday at 07:00 AM

Events

February 8th
[New Tampa BOD Meeting](#)
February 9th
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting--Speech Contest 2024](#)
February 16th
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)
February 23rd
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)
March 1st
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)
March 8th
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Birthdays



Nikki Smith
February 10th



Gerard A. Perret Jr.
February 13th



Al Kasahara
February 16th



Valerie Anne Andrews
February 19th



Lynn Grinnell
February 22nd

Wedding Anniversaries



Nikki Smith
February 17th



John M. Thompson
February 22nd

Club Leaders



Ken Guidera
President



Alfred Allen
President-Elect



Gerry Cecci
Vice President



Walter Oles Jr.
Treasurer

Three F's and an S

By Jozsef Toth on Thursday, July 27, 2023

Focus of Rotary International, New Tampa

FUN, FAMILY, FELLOWSHIP, and SERVICE

Zoom Link for Friday Club Meetings

By Jozsef Toth on Thursday, August 17, 2023

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83781892870?pwd=WTR5RDE3b0NOWHhRTlova0JMSDFvZz09>

This does not change, so it is good every week.

Invocation Feb 9

INVOCATION:

1. Creator and sustainer of all that is or will ever be, accept our thanks for this day and all its blessings. We ask that you guide and direct our club, its leaders and our actions. Grant that each of us may feel our responsibility to Rotary, to our community, to our country, and indeed to all countries and peoples. Bless our fellowship today, and bless this food to the nourishment of our bodies, in your service.

2. As we gather here today as members of Rotary, we pray that we are ever mindful of opportunities to render our service to fellow citizens and to our community. Keeping in mind always the enduring values of life, exerting our efforts in those areas and on those things upon which future generations can build with confidence. Let us continue to strive to make a better world. Amen.

Song of the Week - "You are my sunshine"

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as sung by Johnny Cash <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5AtvXdmPe3A>

The other night, dear...As I lay sleeping
























I dreamed I held you, In my arms

When I awoke, dear...I was mistaken

So I bowed my head and I cried.

You are my sunshine, My only sunshine

You make me happy, when skies are gray

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	Cam Caudle Satellite Club Sergeant-at-Arms
	Kyle Filschel Satellite Club Treasurer
	David Graff Satellite Club Chair
	Tom Gruber Satellite Club Chair Elect
	Colin S. Beach Membership Chair
	Paul V. Suppich Esq. Club Admin Chair
	Debby L. Amon Club Service Chair
	Constance F. Bladon CFRE Club Fundraising Chair
	Ashvin Maharaj Past President
	William Frank Moore Club Strategic Planning
Account Leaders	
	Steve Overton District Governor
	Chevon Thompson Baccus DG-Elect
	Linda W. Devine Ph.D. DG-Nominee & AG
	Deborah G. Meegan PDG
	Mark Gilbert Scolnick District Rotary Foundation Chair
	Chad M. Norgard

You'll never know, dear... How much I love you
Please don't take, My sunshine away.

Speech Contest 2024

Tuesday, February 6, 2024



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Prospective Member: T. Damo Damodaran with extensive involvement with Rotary International

T. Damo Damodaran: Prospective Member

Damo started out as a participant in Rotary Youth Camp (now known as RYLA). He was a founding charter member of the Rotaract Club of Coimbatore (India) in 1974. He was sponsored by Rotary International District 320 as a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar to study at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, USA in 1976.




















Upon further scholarship and graduation, Damo began his career in the financial industry. He was invited to, and joined Heights of Greater Cleveland Rotary Club and the following year he transferred to Berea (Ohio) Rotary Club, where he served as Club President in 1983-84. He served in District Rotary Foundation and World Community Service committees prior to being elected as District 6630 Governor in 1988-89. At the Zone level, he served in various committees, including multi-district PETS and as chair of Governor-Elect Training Seminar (GETS) program. At the International level, Damo has served as RI President's Representative, as a member of Preserve Planet Earth Committee, as USCB Coordinator for Rotaract Task Force, and as a delegate to the Council on Legislation. In 2006, Damo moved to Southern California and joined Redlands Sunrise Rotary Club where he served as Club President (2019-20) and as member orientation coordinator. He had the pleasure of hosting Youth Exchange students, Group Study Exchange team (GSE), Vocational Training Team (VTT), Friendship Exchange team members. He served as District 5330 Chairman of Rotaract Committee, Rotary Foundation Alumni Association, and Strategic Planning Committee. Damo is a retired Financial Advisor.

Saturday, February 17

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Volunteer Day at Camp Florida



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D6950 Governor's Invitational Clay Shoot

Friday, January 19, 2024

Chris Cassella, D6950 Governor, is hosting an invitational clay shoot on Mar. 15, 2024 to raise funds for t Build That Home. Our club supported the Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel's Build That Home Project with a considerable donation last June.
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Rotary Club of New Tampa Mission Statement

We promote the development of genuine friendships by helping members build their strengths to apply the ideal of "service above self." We positively impact the lives of others in our community and support Rotary International's global and service efforts.



What Is Rotary?



We are 1.2 million community and business leaders who create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world. Our differing occupations, cultures, and countries give us a unique perspective. Our shared passion for service helps us accomplish the remarkable. We are [people of action](#).

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February Message from DG Steve

Things are slowing down. For me. But that only means my first several months as DG were at times frantically busy. Squeezing all the club visits into a few months. I have a couple more to do, but they're all gonna get done. Soon. One this week.

Chevon Baccus from the Ridge takes over as DG this July 1st, and by all means, give her your unbridled support. She is a Rotarian to the core, and those succeeding her are equally positioned to serve you well. Linda Devine of the Tampa club, with a storied and accomplished career at UT, and Linda Johnson of Aubumdale, whose devotion to Rotary is evident to all who meet her.

PETS 1 went off without a hitch in January, and PETS 2, (Florida PETS) is in early March. The International Conference in Singapore is late May, the 6890 District Conference is June 8 at Rotary's Camp Florida, and Chevon's installation soon follows. You can register for some of these events right now on Dacdb.

Did Rotary invent term limits? It's both good and bad. PDG Gary Gunter told me years ago, "By the time you finish your year as DG, you are ready for the job." His wise comment may also apply to other roles in Rotary, such as club President. All the more reason to work for continuity in your club leadership. Linda, (and the other Linda), Chevon and I are in frequent contact and are working hard in hand to bring you the most hands-on attention and best possible service we can, because we left our egos at the door, and we are very much enjoying the process. And it should be rewarding and fun to lead. Pursue continuity in leadership in your club. Work to make sure your PE is chosen and already learning from the current president, and the same with your VP and anyone else in line. If we don't work together, you'll sometimes see a disorganized, shoot-from-the-hip patchwork of leadership every time July 1st rolls around. It's not supposed to be that way. Put your own ambitions aside, and work toward what is best for the club. Bring in new ideas, but keep what's working. How do you measure what's working? If it engages your club members and gives them the fulfillment and satisfaction that only comes from giving and serving, you're on to something. We'll talk again soon.

DG Steve

District Foundation News for February

By Mark Scolnick



We are pleased to report that *2023 ended with only 12 children* who are new Polio victims. [Read More](#)

Time is Getting Short

By PDG Craig E Sherman, CTA



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Farewell 2023 - Greetings 2024

By Duane Williams



Well now, we are already halfway through our Rotary year, but does that mean that we have as much time left to make a difference? [Read More](#)

District High School Speech Contest Trains Young Speakers



Each spring, Rotary District 6890 engages high school students from all over our 4 county community with a speech contest. The topic "Create Hope in the World," is an opportunity for young public speakers to learn more about the Rotary mission worldwide and how our annual theme impacts these students personally.

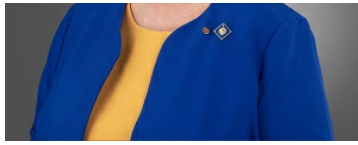
The contest begins in February at the club level, where high school students recruited from their neighboring Rotary clubs compete for a cash prize and a chance to advance. Next is the Zone level competition for neighboring club winners to once again compete, honing their presentation as they vie for the finals. The District 6890 finals are held in April, when the district winner and runners up are awarded. Each level includes cash prizes.

If you are interested in participating, [click here for contest rules and all documentation](#). For more information, connect with district speech contest chair, [Clarice Roth](#).

My Rotary Foundation Story

By Linda M. Johnson





Donations to the Rotary Foundation is the way Rotarians are able to do so much good throughout the world. It is how we fund our sustainable projects...
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Meet Tony Sharma- District 6890's Latest Arch Klumph Society Inductee

By Irma Cole



In 1992 Tony Sharma joined the Rotary Club of Tower Hamlets in London England because he wanted to give back to his community.
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Letter to the Editor

By William E. Redmon

Rotary Club of
Lake Wales Breakfast



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