

Calendar-at-a-Glance

- THURSDAY, February 15, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Mary Daust
- THURSDAY, February 22, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... The Tap Room at Dubsdread **NOTE CHANGE**
 Greeter Anthony Chessa
- THURSDAY, February 29, 2024
 7:30am No Regular Meeting Join us at LEAP DAY Social at Digress Wine
 5:30pm LEAP DAY Social Digress Wine, 1215 Edgewater Drive
- THURSDAY, March 7, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Jeff Clark
- SUNDAY, March 10, 2024
 11:00am Sunday in the Park..... Dartmouth Park
- THURSDAY, March 14, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Frank Consoli
- THURSDAY, March 21, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Jeff Cowherd
- THURSDAY, March 21, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Michelle Gross
- THURSDAY, March 28, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Murray Christensen
- THURSDAY, April 4, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Chris Delahoz
- THURSDAY, April 11, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Robert Dodrill
- THURSDAY, April 18, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Robert Ford

Future Program Schedule

- February 15 Dr. Ross Wolf, Associate Provost, *UCF Downtown Campus*
 February 22 Special Club Assembly on new DPIL Fundraising Program
 February 29 No morning meeting. Join us for LEAP DAY Social at Digress Wine
 March 7 Joshua Chamberlain & Owen Hanniford, *United Against Poverty*
 March 14 Anny Shepard, Dev. Manager, *National Audubon Society*
 March 21 ORMC Speakers on Stroke prevention and treatment
 March 28 OPEN
 April 4 OPEN
 April 11 OPEN
 April 18 OPEN
 April 25 OPEN
 May 2 OPEN
 May 9 OPEN

We Need Programs

We have openings in March, April, and May. To suggest programs, contact George Stuart, george.stuart@att.net.

Club Announcements

THIS WEEK'S MEETING. Our program this morning is a presentation by Dr. Ross Wolf, Associate Provost of the University of Central Florida, and academic and operational lead for the UCF Downtown campus. He will give an update on UCF's presence in Downtown Orlando. The Student of the Month for College Park Middle School will also be honored. **Mary Daust is our Greeter this week. Susan Sackett will do the Invocation.**

LAST WEEK'S MEETING. Last week, our program was a presentation by Sonia Ledger, Coordinator of the Teen Parenting Program for the Orange County Schools. She talked about the many alternative education programs that serve students in Orange County. We welcomed many guests who were supporting our Edgewater Student of the Month. Other guests were Rev. Omar Gonzalez, pastor of College Park Presbyterian Church (guest of Robert Dodrill), and Claudio Sidney (guest of Frank McMillan). Welcome all.

Rotary District 6980



ROTARY ZONES 33/34 PUBLIC IMAGE WEBINAR – MASTERING LINKEDIN. On Tuesday, February 27 from 6 to 7pm, this webinar will introduce ideas of using LinkedIn to grow our Rotary network. Are you using LinkedIn? Want to help our club expand its reach. Plan to attend. More information and registration at <https://www.rotarydistrict6980.org/>.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



HUNT FOR A HUNDRED TO BENEFIT DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY. We are launching an initiative to get 100 new donors at \$11 per month. This will provide funding for 500 children or 6,000 books for the year. You are invited to be a part of this group by going to www.cprbooks.com.

Taste of College Park



TASTE OF COLLEGE PARK 2024. Taste of College Park 2024 is Thursday, October 10. Mark you calendars now for *College Park's Best Night Out*.

LEAP DAY Social at Digress Wine

The last time that LEAP DAY, February 19, fell on a Thursday was in 2004 and the next one will be in 2032. Instead of our regular morning meeting, let's have a social to celebrate! We will be meeting at Digress Wine for wine and appetizers furnished by Duck and Drake Kitchen, Come join us and bring a guest or prospect. HAPPY LEAP DAY until 2032.



Sunday in the Park is March 10, 2024

Sunday in the Park, sponsored by the College Park Neighborhood Association, is March 10. Our club will have a table to meet our neighbors and talk to donors about supporting Imagination Library.

Student of the Month-Edgewater High School

The February Student of the Month for Edgewater is Fabian Taylor. Fabian is a senior whose favorite subject is math. His interests include basketball, drawing, listening to music and roller skating. Fabian's goals are to get his college degree in mechanical engineering while continuing his career in basketball. He plays on the district champion Eagle basketball team. Fabian was accompanied by his mother, Lametria Griffin, and extended family. Also attending were Edgewater basketball coach, Jon Mason, and assistant coaches, Nathan Moran, and Dexter Williams. Congratulations, Fabian, and proud mom and family and, "Go Eagles" in the regional championships.

February Birthdays



Vanessa Nicholson 2/10

Bill Hines 2/20

Frank Consoli 2/23

Thursday, February 15, 2024 @ 7:15 AM

Rotary projects around the globe

February 2024

England

For its centennial project, the Rotary Club of Halifax built a scenic overlook above the town on an ancient road and footpath known as the Magna Via. Illustrated panels identify landmarks such as Wainhouse Tower, Borough Market, Square Church spire, the Halifax gibbet (a replica of the 16th century precursor to the guillotine), and the Town Hall, designed by Sir Charles Barry, architect of Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament. QR codes link to descriptions of the landmarks on the club website. "The views are magnificent and span the horizon," says Ken Robertshaw, a past governor of District 1040. The \$25,000 project, dedicated in late June, was funded by sponsoring businesses and individual donors, including Robertshaw, who contributed in honor of his late wife, Pauline. The Town Council agreed to maintain the overlook. "Given the history of the site, it seemed like an appropriate place for us to build something that celebrates the rich heritage of the town," Robertshaw says.

Sri Lanka

All the world's a stage for young Sri Lankan thespians who, with their Rotarian supporters, take their Shakespeare seriously. For nearly five decades, tens of thousands of them have participated in the All-Island Inter-School Shakespeare Drama Competition. Known as the "Shakes," last year's contest, held in September and organized by the Rotary Club of Colombo North and the Colombo YMCA, included more than 1,000 students. The ensembles performed 30-minute scenes that organizers chose from eight plays. "They are judged mainly on acting, and marks are also allocated for direction, teamwork, and effects," Club President Lasika Jayamaha says. Rotaractors assisted with front of house and backstage roles. "The competition has been a springboard for thousands of young people across the island" to careers in acting, directing, and media, Jayamaha says. Adding to the shine, the coveted rotating trophy is a silver bust of Shakespeare that was a gift from the mayor of Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of the Bard.

Minneapolis-St. Paul set to host Rotary's 120th international convention in 2029

On February 5, Rotary International announced Minneapolis-St. Paul as the winner of the provisional bid to hold its annual international convention at the Minneapolis Convention Center, May 26-30, 2029. Minneapolis last hosted the convention in 1974. More than 15,000 Rotarians and participants are expected to attend. It is the largest convention the area will host in 2029.

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Frank Consoli	New Generations
OPEN	Club Service

7:15–7:28AM	<i>Sign in and Social</i>	Members & Guests
7:29AM	<i>Call to Order Invocation Breakfast is served.</i>	President Robert Stuart Susan Sackett
7:40AM	<i>Visitor Introductions</i>	Mary Daust
7:43AM	<i>Announcements</i>	President Robert Stuart
7:45AM	<i>Student of the Month—College Park Middle School</i>	
7:55AM	<i>Happy Dollars and Raffle</i>	Mary Daust
8:05AM	<i>Program – Dr. Ross Wolf, Associate Provost, UCF UCF Downtown Orlando</i>	
8:30 AM	<i>Rotary's 4 Way Test</i>	President Robert Stuart

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