

Calendar-at-a-Glance

- THURSDAY, February 8, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterSam Lee
- THURSDAY, February 15, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... The Tap Room at Dubsread **NOTE CHANGE**
GreeterAlley Capatosto
- THURSDAY, February 22, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterAnthony 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..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterJeff Clark
- THURSDAY, March 14, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterFrank Consoli
- THURSDAY, March 21, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterJeff Cowherd
- THURSDAY, March 21, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterMichelle Gross
- THURSDAY, March 28, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterMurray Christensen
- THURSDAY, April 4, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterChris Delahoz
- THURSDAY, April 11, 2024
7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsread Ball Room
GreeterRobert Dodrill

Future Program Schedule

- February 8 Sonia Ledger, Teen Parenting Program, Orange County Schools
- February 15 OPEN
- February 22 OPEN
- 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 OPEN
- March 28 OPEN
- April 4 OPEN
- April 11 OPEN
- April 18 OPEN

We Need Programs

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

February Birthdays



Vanessa Nicholson 2/10

Bill Hines 2/20

Frank Consoli 2/23

Club Announcements

THIS WEEK'S MEETING. Our program this morning is a presentation by Sonia Ledger, Coordinator of the Teen Parenting Program, for Orange County Public Schools. She will talk on *Alternative Education and Community Partnerships*. The Student of the Month for Edgewater High School will also be honored. **Sam Lee is our Greeter this week. Zac Brand will do the Invocation.**

LAST WEEK'S MEETING. Last week, our program was a presentation by Past President, Susan Sackett, about her trip to India and volunteering to care for rescued sloth bears and elephants. Susan's next trip is to South Africa. Can't wait to see her pictures.

Rotary District 6980



ROTARY DISTRICT 6980 INTERACT SUMMIT 2024. This Saturday, February 10, the Interact Summit is designed to bring together District 6980 Interact Clubs and members to facilitate leadership skills, learning, and fellowship, and to have some Rotary FUN! To be held at Main Event Orlando on International Drive. 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 your 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.

Souper Sunday is February 11, 2024

This Sunday is Christian Service Center's Souper Sunday. Bring nonperishable food items, canned goods, *and men's clothing* (particularly men's shoes, new socks & underwear, and pants & jeans in good condition), for their food pantry and for the homeless in Orlando. For more information go to <https://www.christianservicecenter.org/souperunday2020>. You can bring items to our meeting on February 8, and we will deliver them to the Christian Service Center today. Cash or check contributions are always appropriate.

Student of the Month-Bishop Moore Catholic High School

The February Student of the Month for Bishop Moore is Kayla Kho. Kayla is a senior whose favorite subjects are math, art, and physics. Her interests include painting, swimming, water polo, crocheting and knitting and guitar. Kayla's biggest goal is to become an orthodontist and have her own practice. She would also like to help administer dental aid with *Doctors Without Borders*. Kayla was accompanied by her parents, Ellen, and Francisco Kho. She was introduced by JP Kuhlman, Director of Mission Effectiveness. Congratulations, Kayla, and proud parents.

Training Today for the IGNITE Mobile App

If you missed training on the Ignite mobile app or if you need help signing on to the DACdb database, we will have a short session after today's meeting. Session will run until 9:00 AM.

Thursday, February 8, 2024 @ 7:15 AM

Rotary projects around the globe

February 2024

United States

Rotary clubs in the ski resort towns of Park City, Utah, and Breckenridge, Colorado, have a friendly rivalry for the longest "shot ski" — a ski affixed to shot glasses that people raise together to down whiskey at the same time. In October, the Rotary Club of Park City Sunrise recaptured the crown as 1,363 people lined a street to drink rye whiskey (or apple cider) in unison from hundreds of shot skis held end to end. The event raised more than \$43,000 for grants to assist community organizations, club member Connie Nelson says. She concedes that she and fellow club member Mike Luers were inspired by the Colorado club during a "reconnaissance" tour of successful winter resorts. "Their main street was closed for a festival. I looked at Mike and he looked at me and we said, 'We can beat that,'" she says. The festive affair is "branding for our Rotary club," Nelson adds. "We not only sell out, but we have people on a waiting list to try to get on the line. It's not just to sample the alcohol. It's about the getting together, the unique community sharing.

Honduras

Nearly 40 percent of adolescents are not in secondary school in Honduras, where educational achievement scores are low. The Rotary clubs of Tegucigalpa Sur and Peterborough, Ontario, teamed up to address the issue. In 2018 the clubs, which have collaborated on projects before, constructed a teacher training center in the municipality of Lepaterique and supplied books and other learning materials. Most recently, the clubs partnered with a nonprofit organization and the country's Ministry of Education to provide literacy training to primary school teachers. "Sixteen-hour workshops are being held on a rotating basis with 160 teachers" representing 62 schools, says Marie Press, a member of the Peterborough club. "The feedback has been incredibly positive."

Senegal

The Rotary Clubs of Dakar-Soleil and West Chester, Pennsylvania, celebrated a milestone last year in their project to drill for water in three villages in Senegal. Despite delays during the pandemic and "several difficult months searching for water on the part of the construction company," productive boreholes were drilled in July and August in the southeastern Kédougou region, reports Samuel Lowry, a member of the Rotary Club of Greater Huntsville, Alabama, who assisted with the project. Three of five planned pumps are now in use providing potable water, Lowry says. A \$130,000 global grant supported the project. Funds were also raised online during the pandemic. A project Facebook page yielded contributions as well as comments like "How can we get one of these where we are?"

More at Rotary.org.

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 Zac Brand
7:40AM	<i>Visitor Introductions</i>	Sam Lea
7:43AM	<i>Announcements</i>	President Robert Stuart
7:45AM	<i>Student of the Month—Edgewater High School</i>	
7:55AM	<i>Happy Dollars and Raffle</i>	Sam Lea
8:05AM	<i>Program – Sonia Ledger, Coordinator of Teen Parenting Program Alternative Education and Community Partnerships.</i>	
8:30 AM	<i>Rotary's 4 Way Test</i>	President Robert Stuart

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