

Calendar-at-a-Glance

- THURSDAY, January 18, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Lehn Abrams
- THURSDAY, January 25, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Zach Brand
- THURSDAY, February 1, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Bryan Burns
 11:00am Serve at Daily Bread Christian Service Center
- THURSDAY, February 8, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Mary Daust
- THURSDAY, February 15, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Alley Capatosto
- THURSDAY, February 22, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Anthony Chessa
- THURSDAY, February 29, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Murray Christiansen
- THURSDAY, March 7, 2024
 7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
 Greeter Jeff Clark
- 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

Future Program Schedule

- January 18 Special presentation via ZOOM on mobile app, IGNITE
 January 25 Florence French Fagan, Sr. Reg. Organizer, *Bread for the World*
 February 1 Susan Sackett, trip to India
 February 8 OPEN
 February 15 OPEN
 February 22 OPEN
 February 29 OPEN
 March 7 OPEN
 March 14 OPEN
 March 21 OPEN
 March 28 OPEN

We Need Programs

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

January Birthdays

Jeff Cowherd 1/10 George Stuart 1/13 Zachary Brand 1/29

Club Announcements

THIS WEEK'S MEETING. This week our program is a special ZOOM presentation of the new IGNITE mobile app. Plan to attend and bring your smart phone or tablet. We will be taught how to download the app and use its features during the meeting. The Student of the Month for Edgewater High School and College Park Middle School will also be honored. **Lehn Abrams is our Greeter this week.**

George Stuart will do the Invocation.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING. Last week our program was a special presentation by club member, Michelle Gross, and Dr. Christopher Dobson, Chair of *Sharing Smiles*. Elizabeth Cvercko was a guest of Liz Allport. Welcome, all.



Rotary District 6980

ROTARY BUSINESS NETWORK EVENT. Rotary Business Network provides an excellent opportunity to connect with like-minded business professionals and Rotarians in our community, fostering valuable relationships and partnerships. Event hosted by RC St. Cloud at Crabby Bills in St. Cloud. Register at <https://www.rotarydistrict6980.org/>

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



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Taste of College Park

TASTE OF COLLEGE PARK 2023 RESTAURANT PLAQUES. Thank you for helping deliver recognition plaques to the Taste of College Park Restaurants. We could not have Taste of College Park without the support of our restaurants. Please thank them for their support.

Training Today for the IGNITE Mobile App

District 6980 has invested in a new tool to help us better communicate. The district has purchased the new IGNITE Mobile App for all clubs and members in the district. This new mobile app will be key in improving communication and engagement among members. We will have a special ZOOM presentation at our meeting on January 18. **Bring your smart phone or tablet.**

NFL Pro Bowl Games Coming Sunday, February 4

The Rotary Clubs of Central Florida will be sitting together and cheering for their favorite players and teams at the NFL Pro Bowl Games at Camping World Stadium on Sunday, February 4. Tickets start at only \$29. With every ticket purchased, the Rotary Clubs of Central Florida will receive \$5 back for the Youth Services Tickets on sale at <https://fevogm.com/event/RotaryPB24>.

Club to Serve at Daily Bread on February 1

Chair Susan Sackett has arranged for the club to serve at Daily Bread at the Christian Service Center on Thursday, February 1 from 11:00 Am to 1:00 PM. Sign up today for one of our best service opportunities. Eight volunteers are needed.

Proposed New Member - First Publication

Gary Kreisler

Gary is transferring from the Rotary Club of Apopka. He has visited our club several times. Gary is a Senior Technical Advisor for Trane Technologies. Gary attended Seminole State College and UCF. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Longwood and have five grown children. His sponsor is George Stuart.

Rotary partnership with the United Nations puts the focus on waterways

A new collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme empowers Rotary members to clean up, protect, and monitor their local waterways. The strategic partnership aligns with both the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Rotary's environment area of focus.

The partnership "brings together Rotary's community-based solutions and UNEP's technical expertise," RI President-elect Stephanie Urchick said when announcing the partnership on 10 January. She spoke at Rotary's International Assembly, the organization's gathering of incoming district governors.

At the center of the partnership is a program enabling Rotary and Rotaract clubs to make commitments to the health of their own nearby waterways. Called Community Action for Fresh Water, the program will encourage clubs to organize river cleanup days, raise awareness in their communities about the importance of healthy waterways, conduct basic water quality tests, and report their findings.

These locally based activities are crucial to protecting the environment on a global scale, says Rafael Peralta, regional director, and representative for the UNEP's office for North America.

This partnership builds on a pilot program, *Adopt a River for Sustainable Development*, begun in 2020 by UNEP and Rotary District 9212 (Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, and South Sudan). In addition, Rotary and Rotaract clubs around the world have often worked independently to clean up freshwater ecosystems.

The Rotary Foundation is funding program costs over the course of three years, with the potential for continued support. Clubs can use district funds or apply for global grants to pay for their activities.

To participate, Rotary and Rotaract clubs can identify a local body of water (river, lake, wetland, or natural reservoir) and commit to protecting and restoring it. They can then engage with the local community and other relevant groups to identify any major threats to the body of water and ultimately develop a plan of action in coordination with nongovernmental organizations, private enterprises, or government agencies.

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Today's Agenda

Thursday, January 18, 2024 @ 7:15 AM

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 George Stuart
7:40AM	<i>Visitor Introductions</i>	Lehn Abrams
7:43AM	<i>Announcements</i>	President Robert Stuart
7:45AM	<i>Students of the Month Edgewater High School and College Park Middle School</i>	
7:55AM	<i>Happy Dollars and Raffle</i>	Lehn Abrams
8:05AM	<i>Program – New IGNITE Mobile App Elizabeth Kirby</i>	
8:30 AM	<i>Rotary's 4 Way Test</i>	President Robert Stuart

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