

Calendar-at-a-Glance

THURSDAY, January 4, 2024

7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
Greeter..... Greg Territo

THURSDAY, January 11, 2024

7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
Greeter..... Mary Daust

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

THURSDAY, February 8, 2024

7:30am Regular Meeting..... Dubsdread Ball Room
Greeter..... Jane Callahan

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

Future Program Schedule

January 4	Mark Brewer, CEO, Central Florida Foundation
January 11	Michelle Gross and Dr. Christopher Dobson, Sharing Smiles
January 18	Special presentation via ZOOM on mobile app, IGNITE
January 25	OPEN
February 1	Susan Sackett, trip to Thailand
February 8	OPEN
February 15	OPEN
February 22	OPEN
February 29	OPEN
March 7	OPEN
March 14	OPEN

We Need Programs

To suggest programs, contact George Stuart, george.stuart@att.net.



Rotary Firsts and Facts



The first Rotary club banner (from the Houston Space Center) to orbit the moon was carried by astronaut Frank Borman, a member of that club.

Club Announcements

THIS WEEK'S MEETING. Welcome back to the Rotary Club of College Park for an exciting 2024. Let's make this our best year ever. The program today features Mark Brewer, CEO of the Central Florida Foundation. The Student of the Month for Bishop Moore will also be honored. **Greg Territo is our Greeter this week. Zachary Brand will do the Invocation.**

LAST WEEK'S MEETING. At the last meeting of 2023, we had our special Holiday Breakfast meeting with over fifty-five in attendance. The Edgewater High School Flying High Chorus gave a Christmas Holiday concert. Visitors included Annie McCabe, daughter of new member Liz Allport; Past District Governor Andres Goyanes; Emi Brand, wife of Zach Brand; Patti Consoli, wife of Frank Consoli; Lauren McCool, wife of Bryan Burns; Khaleb Williams, guest of Robert Dodrill, Welcome, all.



Rotary District 6980

CENTRAL FLORIDA ROTARIANS GOING TO NFL PRO BOWL GAMES. The Rotary Clubs of Central Florida will be sitting together and cheering for their favorite players and teams. Tickets start at only \$29. With every ticket purchased, the Rotary Clubs of Central Florida will receive \$5 back for the Youth Services Foundation benefiting Interact, RYLA and Youth Exchange. Tickets on sale at <https://fevogm.com/event/RotaryPB24>

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



REMEMBER DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY IN YOUR 2024 GIVING PLANS. Sign up now to give to Imagination Library monthly. Go to our website, www.RotaryCollegePark.org or mail your check to the Rotary Club of College Park Foundation, POBox 540101, Orlando, FL 32854. Mark for Imagination Library on the check.



Taste of College Park

THE TASTE OF COLLEGE PARK 2023. We still have several recognition plaques to deliver to the Taste of College Park Restaurants. See Jane Callahan or George Stuart if you can deliver a plaque this week.

College Park Rotary Holiday Party and "Sock Exchange"

Our Holiday Party and Sock Exchange was a great success. Held at the home of Bryan & Lauren Burns on December 19, we had an attendance of over thirty-five members and guests. The "Sock Exchange" was great fun. You might even see some new socks on our members today. Thank you, Bryan, and Laurel, for being such great hosts.

District Implements IGNITE Program for Area Rotarians

District 6980 is investing in a new tool to help us better serve our communities. The district is purchasing 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 with full DACdb integration. We will have a special ZOOM presentation at our meeting on January 18. Plan to attend and bring your smart phone or tablet.

Members Attend Mass for Nani Sadowski

Nani's Celebration of Life Mass was held on December 16, at the Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, in Indiatlantic. Club members attending were President Robert Stuart, Bob and Barbara Ford, Susan Sackett, Robert Dodrill, Alley Capatosto, and George Stuart. Donations to Imagination Library in Nani's memory can be made on the club's website or by check. Please make check out to the Rotary Club of College Park Foundation and mark it for Imagination Library.

Rotary projects around the globe January 2024

United States

The Rotary Club of the Lower Keys, Florida, is known for the Independence Day festival and fireworks display it sponsors in Big Pine Key. At last year's event, the night had a sweet send-off: the creation of a massive Key lime pie in celebration of Monroe County's bicentennial. Rotarians joined local chefs Kermit Carpenter and Paul Menta as they scooped free samples of the pie, which spanned a precise 13.14 feet in diameter. The dimension, harking back to the mathematical constant pi, squeezed past a 12.25-foot creation made in 2018 by a Florida business; its producers were awaiting certification of the grand concoction — made of Key lime juice and condensed milk spread atop a graham cracker crust — as the world's largest. The precise tally of servings was unclear, but club member Keara McGraw says it's safe to say it was "a lot."

Brazil

Improper disposal of household cooking oil is not only an ecological hazard, it's also a missed opportunity to recycle the waste into new products. Oil poured down drains also increases water treatment costs. Members of the Rotaract Club of Penápolis in São Paulo state distributed 400 funnels to help residents collect oil in bottles, along with pamphlets explaining the benefits of recycling and how to do it. Members of a recycling cooperative in Penápolis gather the bottled oil and sell it to be turned into biodiesel, homemade soap, paints, resin, and animal feed. "It's essential to reduce and prevent pollution in all its forms," says club member Lucas Silveira de Campos.

Finland

Rotary members are working with the Finnish Environment Institute to collect, categorize, and measure trash in the Baltic Sea. "Scientists have little time for this kind of work," explains Liisa Stjernberg, a past governor of District 1420 and a member of the Rotary Club of Helsinki City West. Stjernberg, the Finland country coordinator for the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group, leads a group of volunteer members from her district who monitor blue algae blooms, raise funds for research, and promote marine conservation. In September, the group enlisted 22 Rotary Youth Exchange students to join a measurement outing off the islands of Suomenlinna. They fished out trash including polymer fibers and shock tube detonators used in construction, Stjernberg says. Afterward they took up their oars for another cause: the Rotary-led "Rowing for Herring" longboat regatta, which drew 300 participants.

January Birthdays

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



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Frank Consoli	New Generations
OPEN	Club Service

Today's Agenda

Thursday, January 4, 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 Zachary Brand
7:40AM	<i>Visitor Introductions</i>	Greg Territo
7:43AM	<i>Announcements</i>	President Robert Stuart
7:45AM	<i>Student of the Month Bishop Moore Catholic High School</i>	
7:55AM	<i>Happy Dollars and Raffle</i>	Greg Territo
8:05AM	<i>Program Mark Brewer, CEO, Central Florida Foundation</i>	Jeff Cowherd
8:30 AM	<i>Rotary's 4 Way Test</i>	President Robert Stuart

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