



December 2019

Holiday Time

By Darren Kipnis I hope everyone had a Great Thanksgiving!!

As we enter the Holiday Season, Rotary International, it's members our clubs and partners are working hard at treating and preventing disease around the world. December's theme is Rotary Fighting Disease. Rotary clubs set up clinics, blood donation centers and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We also design and build infrastructure that allow doctors, patients and governments to work together. There is some very good content on that you may find Rotary.org that you may find interesting. The Rotary impact is evident in our District and around the world as we work to eradicate Polio, provide clean water, reduce HIV infection. Our Rotary Foundation awarded over \$86 million to 1,306 grants worldwide during the fiscal year 2018 with much being used for disease prevention. Read more on Rotarians working in Disease Treatment and Prevention; <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

Kelly & I hope you have a Great December. Please send me photos, videos or anything you'd like to share on the District Website/social media. The more we tell our story, the more likely we are to attract new members.

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Introducing Your District Governor Nominee

By Winnie M. Marvel Deborah Williams Slated for Rotary Year 2021-2022



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Rotary Polio Update

By Winnie M. Marvel December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

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Tom C. Wagner District Rotary Foundation Chair



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As we enter the month of December, we also enter the Month that Rotary recognizes as Disease Prevention and Treatment month. When I think of Rotary, this is one of the first things that comes to mind, since the eradication of Polio has been a major effort in Rotary since before women were even allow to join. It seems that we talk a lot about it, but sometimes don think about what it really means.

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It's Not Too Late to Get on Board



It's not too late to sign up for the District 6890 District Conference Cruise, but it is getting late to still recieve the group rate that we negotiated for! The DEADLINE is January 8th.

Please reserve your cabin NOW for best selection....soon our group will be realeased and our reserved cabins will be open to all comers and will sell out fast!

Royal Caribbean Brilliance of the Seas 4 nights of sun, fun, service, and fellowship! Contact Jan Brown at jan@cruisenewhere.com for registration!

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Special Guest Slated for District Conference 2020

By Gary Gunter



Joyce and Gary Gunter attended a cooking class in the Sarasota home of world famous chef Giuliano Hazan a while back. Since DG Kip is such a big cooking aficionado, they offered to contact Giuliano and his wife Lael about attending the District Conference cruise as our special guest. They have accepted!

Giuliano Hazan is the award-winning author of the best-selling cookbooks, Every Night Italian, The Classic Pasta Cookbook, How to Cook Italian, Thirty Minute Pasta, and Hazan Family Favorites. He teaches Italian cooking classes throughout the U.S. and at his school in Italy. Giuliano is the only son of Marcella Hazan, the godmother of Italian cooking. Through six cookbooks and a

lifetime of teaching, she preached a gospel of excellent ingredients, simplicity, and tradition that changed the way we cook.

Website: giulianohazan.com

Bill Gates and Funding the Polio Fight

Bill Gates Is Both Chief Funder And Fundraiser In Polio Fight

As the largest donor, there's a certain responsibility to, when it comes time to do the fundraising, to go out and explain why you're committed and what the benefits are, Gates explained by phone from the event.

Still, Gates Credits Rotary International for leading the effort at fundraising internationally. In almost every country, Rotary has members





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2019 Updates to the Six Areas of Focus

By Tom C. Wagner



The Rotary Foundation Trustees have recently made changes to Rotary Six Areas of Focus. They ve kept the existing six areas but adjusted three names (marked with asterisks) to better reflect the types of projects that Rotary members are carrying out. The areas of focus are now:

- Peacebuilding and conflict prevention* Disease prevention and treatment Water, sanitation, and hygiene* Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Community economic development*

Some of the goals of the areas have also changed, and they ve included activities that relate to the environment for most areas. The <u>Areas of Focus Policy Statements</u> (PDF) reflect these updates.

Experience the Rotary Friendship Exchange

By Alan M Feldman

Rotary Friendship Exchange chairman and Past District Governor, Alan Feldman, just returned from leading two ten day photo safaris in S. Africa and Namibia. The Rotarians and their guests woke up early every morning from their airconditioned huts and climbed into Toyota Land Rovers to photograph Africas Big Five; Elephants, Rhinos, Lions, Leopards, and African Buffalo and dozens of other species and birds in their natural habitats. Feldman conducted photo classes prior to leaving for Africa and continued teaching throughout the safaris resulting in incredible photographs throughout the adventure taken by the Rotarians and guests.







George Banning, Norma Cohen, Scott & Deborah Schroeder, Sylvia Davis, Sheree MeFarland, Melanie & Alan Feldman, Penny & Larry Cox, Kimberly & Roger & Rivard, Theresa & Dan Rivard Eric, Kevin Dooley, Abram, Tricia Dooley, Nicolas



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From the Desk of District Membership Chair Ed Odom

By Edward Odom

Please enjoy the following excerpts from the November Edition of the Catalyst Newsletter



Holiday Parties = Potential Rotarians

It so the time of year when many clubs are gathering for various holiday-related projects and festivities. Many of these activities present opportunities to engage community members (a.k.a. potential Rotarians). With an emphasis on fellowship, service, and networking, we should always leverage the chance to tell our Rotary story. DACdb offers the option to designate non-Rotarians as SFriends of Rotary. This is a great way to add people to your mailing list (with their permission, of course) for club newsletters, projects, events, etc. The Friends mailing list is also a clarion call when seeking project volunteers!

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Invitation from The Rotary Club of Fishhawk Riverview

By Edward Odom



Honduras Mission Trip 2020

The Rotary Club of FishHawk-Riverview is pleased to announce our planned trip to Honduras in March of 2020. This year's visit promises to be the best yet, with a variety of experiences and activities for all fitness and skill levels. We welcome additional travelers to join us.

Friday, March 13, 2020	Depart Tampa for San Pedro Sula, Honduras Connect with members of Merendón Rotary Friday night at Rotarian-owned hotel
Saturday, March 14 – Sunday, March 15	Shuttle to El Ayudante (EA) Mission in Comayagua Welcome and Orientation
Monday, March 16 – Friday, March 20	Install and inspect bio-sand water filters Prep and install engineered latrines Visit Chispa Project elementary school library (TRF Global Grant) Visit Honduras Compassion Partners' vocational training center in La Paz Visit Rotary Club of La Paz
Saturday, March 21	Return to San Pedro Sula Project visit with Merendón Rotarians Saturday night at Rotarian-owned hotel Depart San Pedro Sula for Tampa

In 2016, we coordinated \$12,500 in cash and DDF to provide 100 bio-sand water filters to impoverished residents in and around the mountains of Comayagua. Seeing the tremendous need for clean water, sanitation and hygiene, we then led a recently-completed \$38,500 Rotary Foundation Global Grant to install over 110 engineered latrines in the same communities. Working with the Rotary Clubs of Lake Wales Breakfast and Sebring, we have just submitted a new Global Grant application to bring Chispa Project children's libraries to 12 elementary schools throughout various parts of Honduras.



The Rotary Club of La Paz, Honduras formed as a result of our work in 2016 and 2018 (photo 2019)

playground equipment in Comayagua (2019) Whether you are a veteran world traveler, or are seeking to expand your Rotary experience to include hands-on international service, this is the trip for you! All Rotarians and their guests are invited. It is an ideal

Total cost of travel is approximately \$1,500 per person (\$900 plus plane tickets). This includes all domestic travel, lodging, and meals. FishHawk-Riverview Rotary has also established a "scholarship" fund to reduce the cost for young persons (age 16-30).

For more information, please contact Ed Odom at (813) 351-9723 or EdOdom01@gmail.com.

District Calendar for December

 Club Fellowship Community Leadership

World Stewardship

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ALL THESE EVENTS. VISIT THE CALENDAR ON DACdb

World Famous Wild Game Dinner Saturday December 07, 2019 06:00 PM - 09:00 PM

December 07 Saturday

Description: This year's Wild Game Dinner will follow a theme of All-American. This World Famous sell-out event is a party not to be missed.

Location:

Rotary Day at the Bucs Sunday December 08, 2019 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

A great day for a great cause! \$10 of every ticket sold goes to the Polio Plus Foundation. Get your tickets at www.buccaneers.com/rotary6890 December08Sunday Description: Stay tuned for details on a district-wide tailgate before the game. Go Bucs!

parent and child (16 and over, please) adventure.



Rotarians in front of newly installed school



ROTARY DAY!

Join your friends, family and fellow Rotarians for a fun-filled day of football as the Buccaneers take on the Colts!

> TO PURCHASE, PLEASE VISIT www.buccaneers.com/rotary6890

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: Jessica Lamothe at 813-998-3810 or jlamothe@buccaneers.nfl.com



75,000 Meal Packing Event Saturday December 14, 2019 09:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Continuing with the district wide partnership with Meals of Hope and Feeding Tampa Bay, the Rotary Club of Hardee County, Rotary Club of Avon Park, Rotary Club of Sebring, Sebring Sunrise Rotary Club, Rotary Club of Lake Placid, Lake Placid Noon Rotary Club and Rotary Club of Highlands County are committed to raising the funds, and volunteers, it takes to pack 75,000+ meals for hungry families in the Hardee and Highlands County area. We need 130 volunteers, ages 10 and up so family, friends, and Rotarians from around the district are encouraged to participate.

December14Saturday Description: district are encouraged to participate.

The event will be from 9:00am to 12:00pm on Saturday, December 14th at Insight Auctioneers, 5000 FL-66 (State Road 66), Sebring, 33875.

P.S. Please direct all inquiries about this event to jmeason74@gmail.com

Rotary Night with the Tampa Bay Lightning Tuesday December 17, 2019 05:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Description:

December 17 Tuesday

Location: Don't miss this chance to cheer on the Lightning with Rotarians from two districts! Tailgate starts at 5 and the game starts at 7 pm. Download the ticket form using this link. BE THE THUNDER!

