

January 23, 2023 Imaginarian Opportunities Abound #People of Action

My inbox is overflowing with news about **Rotarians Doing Good** all over our District and **February** is lining up to be a very busy month for our **Rotarians.** You are truly **People of Action.** Here are some highlights of Club opportunities:

- Feb 3 Join the four Lakeland Rotary Clubs for the Rotary Twilight 5K, a scenic run around Lake Hollingsworth in Lakeland to benefit Common Ground Playground, a park where children of varying abilities can explore and discover with imaginative play experiences. The four Clubs have worked together to support this park since its inception. Register at Rotary Twilight 5K Run | Nineteenth Annual Rotary 5K
- **Feb 6 through 19** our **Rotary District** is hosting visiting **Rotarians** from **Peru.** A big thank you to all our **Rotarians** hosts. The **Peruvians** are really looking forward to visiting your clubs.
- **February** is the month our Clubs host the annual **District Speech Contest**. We can't wait to hear the amazing speeches about how these students **Imagine Rotary**.
- **February 10** 6:30 pm: **The Lakeland Rotary Club** takes on the **Kiwanis** in a pregame event prior to the **Lakeland Magic Basketball Game** at the RP Funding Center! What a great way to showcase community service! Purchase tickets at: https://bit.ly/3WU7SV3, and you can add a \$1 donation to go to the winner's charity of choice. For more information contact: Will Slagsvol, Magic Ticket Representative at wslagsvol@lakelandmagic.com or (863) 825-3267.
- February 17 -19 the Rotary Club of Lake Wales Breakfast will be hosting their Annual Girl's Camp at Lake Aurora Christian Camp. These Rotarians will sponsor 64 fourth and fifth grade girls for a free weekend of fun, including hayrides, drumming, art, campfires with s'mores, singing, team building and much, much, more. The theme is "I AM IMPORTANT, BEAUTIFUL, UNIQUE, SMART, AND FUN!" All Rotarians are invited for a noon hamburger cookout on Saturday, February 18, so feel free to join in on the fun.

 (They also sponsor a Boys Camp on April 14-16. More details to follow.)
- Feb 19 The Ybor City Rotary Club is hosting its 12th Annual Golf Tournament which will be played at MacDill Air Force Base. This is their biggest fundraiser of the year, and you can register your foursome for a day of golfing, contests, lunch/dinner, and silent auctions by contacting Leland Baldwin at lelandtoman@gmail.com or at 813-245-2776.

And don't forget these two other opportunities to connect:

- The District 6890 Imagination Cruise District Conference sailing on 3/27/2023. **Rooms still available**. https://csherman.dreamvacationsgroups.com/index.html#/groups/10763769
- The Rotary International Convention is in Melbourne, Australia. https://convention.rotary.org/en/melbourne

Keep up the Good Work #People of Action.

On behalf of your District Leadership Team We are yours in Rotary Service

Debbie Meegan District Governor 2022-2023

