

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Wondering what is coming up for Rotary? Take a minute to review the following "Coming Attractions":

Friday, February 24th (12:00pm) –

Robbie Bell, Bee keeper. Everyone will be buzzing after this program (get it). Mr. Bell will speak to the club about the occupation of bee keeping and about his recent trip to California (with the bees) to pollinate almonds.

Friday, March 3rd (12:00pm) – Captain Lites Leenhouts, CEO Sun N Fun.

Captain Leenhouts will talk about the Sun N Fun Flyin that takes place in April and about his Naval Aviation career.

Friday, March 10th (12:00pm) – Billy Townsend, Polk County School Board Member. I'm sure you have read his blog or heard his opinion regarding the current situation of the schools in Polk County. Join us for what should be a very informative and entertaining speech.

Saturday, March 30th – Monday April 3rd. District 6890 Conference Cruise. Join your friends as we celebrate a year of Rotary Serving Humanity with sun, fun and fellowship. Enjoy incredibly low group rates, numerous extra amenities, cruise related giveaways and a hands-on service project in Cozumel.

Missing anything? Please email any suggested "Coming Attractions" to <u>drich@cclmlaw.com</u>.

CONCERT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

We have 4,000 concert fliers to hand out. The Christina Club is willing to share their First Friday booth for us to do that; however, we need a volunteer to coordinate this and recruit at least one (1) member of each Lakeland Rotary club to help man the tent and pass out fliers that evening.
Additionally, we are also looking for someone to coordinate the distribution of concert posters. Alyssia has 750 posters at her office (Lanier Upshaw), and they are READY TO GO! Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated!!

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

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Club Officers

- President President-Elect President-Nominee
- Treasurer Secretary Vice President Past President Sergeant-at-Arms

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Alyssia Totten	2014-2017
Daniel Rich	2014-2017
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Jack Jeffares	2015-2018
Phil Mays	2015-2018
Mark Porter	2015-2018
Lee Earls	2016-2019
Matt Mucci	2016-2019
Donna Pearce	2016-2019

Club Meeting Information

Weekly: Every Friday, at 12:00 noon

Place: The Lakeland Center,

701 Lime Street

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2602,

Lakeland, FL 33806

DISTRICT MINUTARIAN

From District Governor Joyce Gunter:

I am very excited to join the incredible Lake Wales Breakfast Rotary Club and its partners for a project trip to Honduras this Saturday! The Club has been in Honduras for four years, making 8 trips.

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Their ninth trip brings together a team of 14 Rotarians from Clubs in our District.

They have completed an amazing 19 projects, with two more in the works.

They have partnered with 14 other Clubs and individual Rotarians in Clubs, and with one other District. Their projects have run the gamut, from clean water to feeding programs; from bathrooms to medical equipment; from computers to wheelchairs; from community development to equipment for a special needs school.

Rotary District 6890 continues to make an impact in the lives of the Poorest of the Poor.

This is exactly what a group called Rotary International should be doing!



There is an online Rotary club where you can complete make-ups from wherever you are. Check it out TODAY!

www.rotaryeclubone.org



Tim Hoeft

Tom Pollock

Matt Mucci

LET'S CELEBRATE!!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

NONE

Andrew Sampson

Feb. 22nd



2017 Rotary Benefit Concert

It's Official. The bands were announced at the release party that was held at Posto 9 on January 7th! This year we will have the pleasure of experiencing <u>Wilson Phillips</u>, <u>Sister Hazel</u> AND <u>Jessie James</u> <u>Decker</u>. Look forward to seeing everyone at this year's concert. (NOTE: If you click the name of any of the bands I just listed, their names will lead you to a YouTube link of their "most popular" song). <u>Did you purchase your tickets yet</u>? Tickets are now on sale for the general public. If interested, visit the Lakeland Center's ticket office either online or in person to purchase your tickets to the concert!!

Interested in sponsoring? Alyssia is still looking for sponsors for this year's concert. If interested, please see Alyssia for more information.



CALENDAR OF GIVING <u>UPDATE</u>

As of now, I'm sure everyone is aware that Donna is heading up our amazing Calendar of Giving fundraiser. This fundraiser is important because it will permit our Club to have additional funds to further support numerous local Lakeland charities. Here is where we are at:

Selling Calendars. In order to raise the money we need to support our local charities, each Rotarian (that includes you) will be tasked with selling twenty (20) calendars. Each calendar costs \$10.00, but offers thousands worth of prizes – i.e. this should be an easy sell.

Door Prizes. How the Calendar of Giving works is that for one (1) calendar month a prize will be listed on each day (31 total prizes). Each day a winner will be drawn for that day's prize. To enter into the drawing you have to purchase a calendar (there is no limit on the number of calendars you can purchase). But, in order for our Calendar of Giving to be the best that it can be WE NEED DOOR PRIZES. Donna has already donated an iPad Mini, and other members have donated gift cards and merchandise. What will be your contribution?

Want to win a Yeti Tumbler? In an effort to get door prizes, at this Friday's meeting, Donna will be auctioning off a <u>Yeti</u> <u>Tumbler</u>, which can be won by anyone who brings a door prize entry for what we are labelling our "Basket of Cheer". This basket, will be featured on one day of the calendar and once completed will include all things related to spirits. Some items we are looking for are: (i) your favorite bottle of liquor, wine or beer; (ii) drink wear and accessories; and/or (iii) mixers.