

ROTARY ROARS!!!!!!

Message from the President:

Hi Rotarians!

I enjoyed attending the District Conference in Punta Gorda, which was a great opportunity to learn about the wide Rotary world and to interact with fellow Rotarians from District 6960. Definitely helpful as I begin my year as President of Longboat Key Rotary!

Don't forget to checkout our new and improved website using the link below and don't forget to like us on Facebook too!

<https://www.longboatkeyrotary.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryLBK>

Thanks to Janet Shapiro and Carol Erker, with helpful input from our consultant, Caitlin Bolton, for their hard work on the website revisions!

Kind regards,

Bo Fuller
President

Club Dues

Club Treasurer Steve Jackson has sent dues notices for the coming Rotary year, so please send yours in if you haven't already. And a reminder to review the helpful memo recently emailed by Carol Erker which explains just how our money is used. Thanks to Steve and Carol for all of their work on our financial matters for our Club and our Charitable Foundation.

New Members!

Jack Rozance reports that applications for the two newest members of our Club have been approved:

Jill Hutsko: A graduate of Manatee High School, Jill eventually lived in many cities throughout the United States and Canada before returning to Florida with her husband, Todd, and making LBK her home. After several years in the pharmaceutical industry, Jill devoted her time to her two children and numerous civic organizations. She has a passion for youth leadership, literacy and building strong community relationships.

Jan Wallace: An actress by profession, Jan trained in London and New York and worked in New York theater for many years, where she also ran a children's theater. She served as a Guardian ad Litem for eleven years and advocated for neglected, abused, and abandoned children. She will soon marry one of our Club's founding members, Philippe Koenig!

Please welcome Jill and Jan to our Club!!

Naples Zone Summit meeting sponsorship and volunteer opportunities

You may be aware that the Zone Summit is taking place in Naples this year between September 28th and October 3rd. The Summit is attended by Past Rotary International Directors, Past District Governors and the current Governor chair (and spouses and partners) from all 31 districts in our Zones. Here in District 6960, we are delighted to be the host district for this event this year after an 11 year absence and to welcome RIPE Jennifer Jones to our wonderful part of the world.

I wanted to bring to your attention some opportunities for your consideration and **please hurry**, as these are sold on a first come, first served basis:

1. **Sponsorships** - a number of these are available and the associated benefits packages represent excellent value if you want to use this as an opportunity to showcase your business to so many senior leaders within our 31 districts. [More](#)

Information

2. **Additional Sponsorship Opportunities** - we have 3 x \$1,000 coffee station sponsorships available showcasing your organization's pull-up banner and flyers

3. **Official Program Advertising** - please click on the More Information link in 1. above to see opportunities ranging from as little as \$250 up to \$1,000. **Closing date on advertising commitments is one week from now i.e. 8/13.**

I'm pleased to announce that our very own **Suzanne Vasbinder of Vasbinder International Home Team brokered by Exp Realty is the Grande Sponsor** of this year's Summit and we are very excited to be able to see her there!

Finally, as we will have several hundred visitors coming to SW Florida, **we are seeking VOLUNTEERS** to give a warm Florida welcome to our guests when they arrive at **RSW Fort Myers airport** on Tuesday afternoon and evening (9/26), Wednesday all day (9/27) and Thursday morning (9/28). This role involves a welcoming smile and pointing our Rotarian friends to baggage collection and transportation. We intend to operate shifts to make it easier for more District 6960 Rotarians to participate and we hope we can count on you to serve.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible if you want to be a sponsor, an advertiser or a volunteer!

Let's make this a very memorable experience for our visitors to 6960!

Yours in Rotary Service

Darryl

Darryl Keys

Member, Zone Summit Organizing Committee 2021

IPDG District 6960

ARC Membership, Zone 34

Nancy Rozance forwarded a few photos from 2018! To celebrate Arbor Day, we collaborated with the Sarasota County Park people to plant 2 trees at Ted Sperling Park on Lido Key.





Hot Diggity Dog Parade

After a year lost to the COVID-19 crisis, the Chamber of Commerce received the "green light" to bring back the July 4th Freedom Fest celebration on Bay Isles Road on Sunday morning, July 4th. Spearheaded by Carol Erker, our Club organized our 7th Annual "Hot Diggity Dog! Parade and Costume Contest," which was a highlight of the celebration since our Club started the tradition in 2014. We awarded prizes for "Most Patriotic Dog" and "Best Owner & Dog Combination." Our outgoing President Brad and our then-incoming President Bo proudly carried our Rotary banner to lead the dogs down Bay Isles Road. As always, it was a fun event and a great photo opportunity for our members to make a proud showing in their Rotary hats, pins, and caps!



Please keep the event sponsors in mind:

Woof Gang Bakery and Grooming, 1129 S. Tamiami Tr., Sarasota

Pet Supplies Plus, 5380 Fruitville Road, Sarasota

Publix Longboat Key

ROTARY FUN IN 2021!!

Club Programs:

Jeff Driver advises that our upcoming Club Programs for August and September are:

August 17: Chris Kopp, Enforcement Officer, Town of LBK, will discuss the Marine Turtle Protection Ordinance. NOTE: to accommodate the speaker, this will be a ZOOM presentation **from 3-4 PM.**

September 7: Tom Harmer, LBK Town Manager, will present a summary of recent and current activities and an overview of the LBK Citizens Academy.

SURVEY: As you know, Jeff has circulated a survey to solicit your input on what time of programs you would enjoy—and those you would not. If you haven't already responded, please do!

Community Service Projects:

Nancy Rozance and Joan Sherry have developed a survey designed to learn which of our several projects (Books for Kids, Angel Tree, Reading at Tuttle, Salvation Army bell ringing, etc.) you would most enjoy working on, and to obtain your ideas for potential new avenues of service. Watch for it in the coming weeks!

And check out our Rotary Club calendar on www.dacdb.com! We already have projects scheduled throughout the coming Rotary year.

District Grant Applications Approved!!

Both of our District Grant applications for Rotary year 2021-2022 have been approved!!

This means that together with our Club's contribution from our Charitable Fund, we will be able to create **LITERACY** and **NUTRITION**

Projects for several organizations in the greater Sarasota area with a budget of **\$4,500.00.**

Not every grant application was approved by the SHARE committee for District 6960. The fact that our Grants are being used to address literacy and nutrition with our youth was very important for our funding approval.

Books for Kids!

One of the initiatives of our new District Governor is Books for Kids--Promoting Literacy mission to help raise the reading levels of elementary school students by providing the students with reading and listening comprehension skills, developing character traits and transferring the love of reading and the love of books from the reader to the child. There are 9 Clubs from District 6960 who are collaborating in this drive to bring literacy to our local communities through several methodologies including incorporating reading through other Rotary Programs such as "Dictionary Day" and "Josh the Otter". Our Club has agreed to spend \$1250 through this Grant with a request for a DDF match of an additional \$1250.

The Rotary Club of LBK is proud to be a part of this important Area of Focus Project. It is also worth noting that the next District Governor - Andy Lyman - has advised that this is one of his Major Goals for the next Rotary year. Our Club is represented on the District 6960 Literacy Committee by Nancy Rozance. Our FB page has a photo of Jack and Nancy Rozance, Andy Lyman and Ted Lindenberg - Chair for this Grant.

Newtown Alive Trolley Tour

Cancelled last year due to COVID, the Newton Trolley Tour will take place sometime in 2022, in conjunction with the Southside Sarasota Rotary Club. Keep an eye out for further details!

Our Club Volunteers!

In the 2020-2021 Rotary year, 41 out of 44 club members volunteered for at least one our Club's service projects!

Better Call Janet, not Saul!!

Remember, anytime a member works on a service project, it should be reported to Janet. She needs the date of service, and number of working hours. Contact her at sugarmagnolialbk@gmail.com or 941-504-5453. Thanks!

ROCKIN' WITH ROTARY!!

The 2021-2022 Rotary Theme is *"Serve to Change Lives"!!*

BIRTHDAYS, ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES, and CLUB ATTENDANCE!!!

July and August Birthdays:

Jack Rozance, 7/6; Gary Cox, 7/12; Jinx Kochan, 7/13; Nancy Rozance, 7/20;
Jerry Bowles, 8/01; Ellen Greenberger, 8/14; Maureen Horn, 8/17;

Rotary Anniversaries:

Jonathon Goldberg, 7/1; Regina Skyer, 7/1; Geri AND Susan Veshosky, 8/16;
Oliver Giesser, 8/20; Bo Fuller, 8/25;

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!!!!!!!!

Attendance was 43.9 for July, but we only had one meeting due to logistics,
hurricane threat, etc.!

SOMETHING FOR OUR NEWSLETTER????

If you have any content you would like to include in the newsletter, please send it
to Mike Jordan at mj@jordanresolutions.com, or call him at 216-978-0264!!



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