



BULLETIN

Club Meeting

New Tampa
Meets at Currently meeting
via Hybrid format (Zoom and
in-person) until further notice.
Tampa Palms Golf & Country
Club
5811 Tampa Palms Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33646
Time: Friday at 07:00 AM

Events

April 28th
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)

April 28th
[RCNT Youth Services Committee Meeting](#)

May 10th
[New Tampa Board of Directors Meeting](#)

May 12th
[Oasis Hygiene Bag Collection](#)

May 19th
[Oasis Hygiene Bag Collection](#)

May 20th
[Road Clean up Commerce Park Blvd.](#)

May 26th
[RCNT Youth Services Committee Meeting](#)

Birthdays



Bradley C. Page
May 8th



Ram Kancharla
May 17th



Ashvin Maharaj
May 19th



John Preston
Longmire
May 20th

Wedding Anniversaries



Gerry Cecci
April 30th



Gary Michael
Gunter
May 9th



Joyce Ann Gunter
May 9th



Gerard A. Perret
Jr.
May 18th

Club Leaders



[Ashvin Maharaj](#)
President

Zoom Meeting Link.

[Join Our Weekly Zoom Meeting Here!](#)

Meeting ID: 843 2468 0310 Passcode: 824176 Mobile: 305-224-1968

2022-2023 Meeting Agenda

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 7:15 am - 8:30 am | |
| Social Time and Breakfast | 6:45am - 7:15 am |
| Call to Order | 7:15 am |
| Invocation | |
| Pledge of Allegiance | |
| The Four Way Test | |
| Song of the Week | |
| Guest Recognition | |
| Club Announcements | |
| President's Comments | |
| Guest Speaker | |
| Happy Dollars | |

Let it Be

When I find myself in times of trouble,
Mother Mary comes to me
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be
And in my hour of darkness
She is standing right in front of me
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be
Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be
Whisper words of wisdom, let it be

Casino Night

The Rotary Club of New Tampa is hosting a Casino Night this Saturday and YOU ARE INVITED!

Just like the Wiregrass Turkey Trot, all proceeds fund Rotary Club of New Tampa's 2023 Give Back Breakfast recipients. They are nonprofits in our community that are doing great things. Organizations like [OASIS Opportunities](#), [Crisis Center of Tampa Bay](#), [Impact](#), [Heroes Adapt](#), [Feeding Tampa Bay](#), [Meals On Wheels of Tampa](#), [New Tampa Family YMCA](#), [USE Rotaract](#), and more.

This is always a fun event and if you can make it, we would love to have you. Buy a ticket for yourself or buy one to donate to the cause! Details below.

[Sign Up Here](#)



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ROTARY CONSERVATION MOMENT

By Lesley S. Zajac on Thursday, April 20, 2023

Paul Harris was born on April 19 1868 in Racine, Wisconsin. In celebration of his birthday, please take a look at these marvelous scrolls that were presented to him during a January 1936 trip to South America. The first and second were gifts from the Rotary Clubs of Cuenca and Riobamba in Ecuador, with beautifully illustrated messages featuring hand-painted national and cultural symbols. Brazil was the final stop on the South American tour and the Rotary Club of Rio de Janeiro presented him with this third elegantly inscribed scroll expressing their joy and pride in hosting him in April of that year. And in 1943 the Rotary Club of Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico presented him with this final scroll celebrating his 75th birthday.

All of these documents have been turned over to a paper conservator and have been spot cleaned using a dry process to remove superficial dirt. The three vellum documents were stretched and flattened after countless years of being rolled. Tears in one document were mended using Japanese tissue paper and wheat starch paste. These documents are now part of the Archive in Evanston, IL



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Speaker: Jennifer Whitten, Loft 181

By Karen Frashier on Monday, April 24, 2023



Loft 181 helps hundreds of teenage girls in foster care and those in therapeutic human-tra?cking recovery homes ?nd con?dence and hope through a beautiful boutique shopping experience.

[Read More](#)

USF Rotaract Paints, Picks-up and Paddles Around Rotary and River Hills Parks

By Karen Frashier on Monday, April 24, 2023



USF Rotaract begin their River Fest service day giving the public restrooms at Rotary Park in Temple Terrace a fresh coat of paint. [Read More](#)

Summer Hygiene Drive 2023

Oasis Opportunities is seeking donations of hygiene items for students in Hillsborough County. Our club will be holding a collection drive for the next few weeks to collect items and put the packages together. Al Allen will be providing more information on this at the next meeting and discussing how we can make a substantial contribution to this cause. Here is a quote from Dawn, President of Oasis Opportunities on the impact of providing hygiene items to students.

When a mom from a family of 5 children was asked if they needed hygiene items, she broke down in tears and said, "Thank you so, so much. You don't even know how we need these. I have been watering down our shampoo and telling the kids to not rinse their toothbrushes so they will have toothpaste for the next time." She has been limiting their use as she did not know how she would buy any more.

Thank you for all your support of our Hillsborough County students!- **Dawn Schulman**

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**IMAGINE
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**SUMMER
HYGIENE
DRIVE 2023**

Join us in supplying our summer school students with hygiene items to keep them clean and healthy.

Items need:

- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo (for straight and curly hair types)
- Bars of Soap



Rotary License Plates

By Colin S. Beach

The website for ordering a Florida Rotary specialty license tag is floridarotarytag.com.

They will ask for name, address, phone number, e-mail, driver's license number, and current tag number. It costs \$35.00. Some of the proceeds benefit Rotary Youth Services and Rotary Camp Florida. Rotarians will receive a voucher which is redeemable for a tag once we reach 3000 orders. The state does not manufacture the plates until we reach the 3000 order threshold. So far we are at about 700. The deadline to reach 3000 has been extended to October 2024. You do not need to be a rotarian to order a tag. Even if you do not want to put a rotary tag on your vehicle, please help us reach the 3000 threshold to get them manufactured by ordering one. This is an excellent way to advertise Rotary! You do not have to remember to put a rotary pin on your lapel every morning. It is attached to your car. Everywhere you go will be seen by innumerable other vehicles. This is the best way to advertise Rotary without adversely affecting our Charity Navigator status. I believe once we get the plates manufactured and are on vehicles, they will continue to sell themselves just by being visible. Every Rotarian will want one. Every meeting and rotary event will stand out by the number of cars in the parking lot bearing rotary tags.

Please order yours (and your spouses) today!



Rotary Club of New Tampa Mission Statement

We promote the development of genuine friendships by helping members build their strengths to apply the ideal of "service above self." We positively impact the lives of others in our community and support Rotary International's global and service efforts.



What Is Rotary?



create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world. Our differing occupations, cultures, and countries give us a unique perspective. Our shared passion for service helps us accomplish the remarkable. We are [people of action](#).

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The Melbourne 4 Way test

1. **Is it the truth? Have you registered?** Register at <https://convention.rotary.org> – Take advantage of the early bird pricing up to 15 December 2022 (\$475 for those 31 and older, \$125 for age 30 and under, \$20 for guests aged 5-18, guests under 5 are free). You can also reserve your hotel room once you have registered, and there is no hotel deposit – just give them your credit card info to hold your room. Tip – If you want easy access to the General Sessions, book a hotel close to the Rod Laver Arena.
2. **Have you booked activities for all concerned?** Go to www.Rotarymelbourne2023.org and click on the Events tab for nightly events you can sign up for (Remember that General Sessions are from 10am to noon each day, followed by Breakout Sessions in the afternoon, along with entertainment at the giant House of Friendship).
3. **Will you build goodwill and better friendships by participating in a tour before or after the convention?** Yes! Once you have looked at the Events on the above site, look at the Tours tab and you will find many options. Also, our friend and former RI Director Brad Howard is offering tours just for Rotarians that are quite good – go to www.HowardTours.net and check them out. You can also find other tours listed in the Rotary magazine.
4. **Will it be beneficial to all concerned?** It most certainly will be beneficial to those who attend! Melbourne's iconic tram network – the largest operational network in the world – is free for you within the central business district. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity! Did we mention the nice cool weather?

Need help? Contact Patrick Eakes, Zone 33 Melbourne Promotion Chair at Patrick.eakes@cpeakes.com, or Gary Gunter, Zone 34 Melbourne Promotion Chair at gary@garygunter.com

The Paul Harris scrolls

Preserving tributes to Rotary's founder

Rotary's archives include letters and gifts to founder Paul Harris that reflect the high regard members had for his vision of fostering friendship and international understanding. As part of Rotary's commitment to honoring key figures in our history, archivists at world headquarters worked with a professional paper conservator to treat four handcrafted gifts. All four documents were spot cleaned with a dry process that reduces superficial dirt. Before the items were placed in custom storage mats for preservation, three made of vellum underwent additional conservation work to stretch and flatten them after being rolled for an unknown number of years. These are the results. — SUSAN HANF



Members in Guadalajara, Mexico, created a 75th birthday message in calligraphy with a painted Rotary emblem.

In January 1936, Harris and his wife, Jean, embarked on a three-month journey to Panama and several South American countries, where they met with numerous clubs. Harris' visit to Ecuador that February was commemorated by the Rotary Club of Riobamba with a beautifully illustrated message featuring hand-painted national symbols.



The Rotary Club of Cuenca memorialized Harris' visit to the Ecuadorian port city of Guayaquil with a scroll featuring an illuminated initial. Conservation included mending tears with Japanese tissue paper and wheat starch paste.

Polio Update

Great news - The Government of Afghanistan has agreed to have four National Immunization Days. This means that 10 million children will receive the Polio vaccine.

We must continue to raise a minimum of \$1500 per club to get the Gates Foundation's 2:1 match. Our partners contribute the rest of the \$1.1 billion annual cost. Our share is \$50 million! Please consider contributing personally to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund, and have your donation matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Your donation helps us reach vulnerable children with the polio vaccine and other essential health services. <https://www.endpolio.org/donate>

We are hopeful that we are nearing the end of this long fight to eradicate this awful disease. Remember there is NO cure for Polio, but the vaccine works!

Thanks to all of you who have supported our efforts in the past. Thank you to those who are on board with us now! Here is a link to an article written by a Polio survivor. Read her story and be inspired. <https://www.unicef.ca/en/blog/leading-voice-polio-survivors-story>

Disaster Grant



Congratulations to Bill Cox of the Sun City Center Rotary Club! Bill was able to lead a Disaster Grant for Ukraine. He involved District 6980 in Orlando, but we are the lead. THANK YOU BILL!

The grant is for two ambulances and 275 First Aid Kits. The District in Ukraine is highlighted in the last issue of the Rotary Magazine. The first ambulance loaded with medical supplies was handed over to Rotarians in Mykolaiv who will deliver it to the hospital in Kherson, Ukraine. Note that our District is listed under the US Flag on the sign in the ambulance window!

The second ambulance should be in Ukraine by April 7th and the First Aid Kits should arrive no later than the middle of the month. They are coming from England.

Thanks to everyone who donated to The Rotary Foundation Disaster Fund to help make this happen!

Rotary Year End

It's getting closer to the end of the Rotary year. If you want your donation to The Rotary Foundation to count this year (so your Club will get its share in 4 years) then please start the process now! Go to: <https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>. Also, please consider enrolling in recurring donations. It is easy and before you know it you will reach another level of giving!

Your support to The Rotary Foundation allows others to see by having a cataract operation, to drink clean water by building a well or installing water filters, to live polio free by vaccinating children, to save the environment by planting trees, to read books by building libraries and schools, and to live without hunger by feeding families. These are the good things we can be part of with our gifts to The Rotary Foundation!

DG Debbie's Message for April

By Debbie Meegan

The Rotary Theme for **April is the Environment**.

Perfect timing as our **District Rotarians** traveled to **Cozumel** as part of **District 6890 Conference** and participated in an International Mini-Project which focused on the **Environment**.

We joined forces with the **Rotary Club of Cozumel** and students and faculty at a local secondary school which is focusing on becoming a **Green School**. They are teaching their students to be good stewards of the environment by implementing projects that will help the sustainability of their community.

The children participate in learning how to compost garbage which reduces waste in landfills and then they turn the composted refuse into enriched soil which is used to grow fruit trees and vegetables.

In a Welcome Celebration Assembly held in our honor, in front of the whole school, the principal welcomed us and said that their "**Green Project** is aimed at changing their culture from one of **Waste to one of Use**."

Their focus is to "educate the children to be good stewards of the environment which is a home for all of us. With the planting of these trees today, we are sowing life for our community. We are the participants of making the world a better place through our **Green Project**".

The **Rotary Club of Cozumel** will be receiving a Global Grant to further enhance the **Green Project** by installing a

Rainwater Collection System that will collect and filter rainwater. This water will be used by the school and community for drinking and for sustainable irrigation for their fruit and vegetable gardens. The



principal is hoping the school will become a model for other schools in Cozumel. We were certainly honored and happy to lend a

hand to help them kickoff their **Green School Project**. Our **District 6890 Rotarians** successfully planted over 20 fruit trees alongside the students, PTA parents and the **Cozumel Rotarians**. Our **District Rotarian** also helped spruce up the school by painting the outside of one of the school buildings. We are planning a trip back to the school in 3 years to hopefully taste the fruits of our labor.

District 6890 was truly blessed to be a part of the 18.4 million in Rotary Foundation global grant funding for environment-related causes that has been allocated in the past five years.



Have a good month.
Yours in Rotary Service,
DG Debbie