

# Rotary



# Club of Tampa

Friday, February 26, 2021

## Upcoming Events

February 28th  
[Giving Day 2021](#)  
**CANCELLED**

March 2nd  
[Club Luncheon Meeting](#)

March 9th  
[Club Luncheon Meeting](#)

March 17th  
[Rotary Club of Tampa Board of Directors meeting](#)

March 23rd  
[Club Luncheon Meeting](#)

## Happy Birthday!



[Douglas B. Cohn](#)  
March 1st



[Roderick P. Gaerlan](#)  
March 3rd



[Larry S. Marfise](#)  
March 4th

## Your Leaders



[Joseph D. Hunt](#)  
President



[Linda W. Devine](#)  
Ph.D.  
President - Elect



[Hanisha Patel](#)  
Secretary

[Charles V. Williams](#)

## Join us for lunch on Tuesday!



**It's March Madness - No charge for club lunches so register with link below by Saturday!**

**Disability insurance** may sound like a dry topic, but it sure is not for too many. Imagine being one of the top hand surgeons in the world who lost use of his hands in a tragic accident, and could no longer operate. According to his Disability Policy, he was "able to work". Just not as a surgeon. So, the insurance agency paid nothing. Bill Demas has build a career advising his legal clients on disability coverage, and he is passionate about the subject. Join him for some great stories and information that will make a difference in your life or that of someone you know.

**William C. Demas** was born in New York but has lived in Pinellas County since he was two years old. For over two decades, he has represented clients all over the State of Florida in State and Federal Disability Litigation. He handles cases related to: ♦ ERISA Disability ♦ Social Security Disability & SSI ♦ Long Term Disability and Short Term Disability Insurance ♦ Life Insurance and AD&D Claims. Bill received his undergraduate degree at Florida State University and law degree from Stetson College of Law where he graduated Cum Laude. After law school, Bill went on to represent governmental agencies and large self-insureds for 11 years on disability and insurance matters. Since 2009, the majority of his clients have been consumers and individuals who have been injured or disabled.

For those members who would like to gather, this meeting will be held in person at the Ferguson Law Center. **Many steps** are being taken to assure the safety and comfort of all members. Tables will have limited seating, lunch will be served at tables rather than by buffet, masks will be required in the lobby area during fellowship, and the meeting will be limited to 50 pre-registered attendees. For those who prefer, the **meeting will also be shared via Zoom** for those watching from home or office. This way, everyone can participate in the way they are most comfortable.

[Click this link and choose the "Register Now" yellow button to register for the live meeting](#)

### Or, Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85949539742?pwd=cERNRE1xcmwvTmhSMU0xQXNTb0NuZz09>

Meeting ID: 859 4953 9742

Passcode: Rotary2020

One tap mobile

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Please remember to bring a mask or other face covering for fellowship time. If you are unable to attend, please email the club office in case there is a wait list. Thank you!

## Great programs this spring - join us!



Treasurer



Jamie Adair  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Steve Overton  
Assistant Governor



Our programs committee is hard at work bringing a diverse array of interesting speakers to the club. Mark your calendar now and invite a guest to these upcoming events!

March 9 - Alex Smith, Former Bucs tight end & current pro scout

March 16 - Spring break - no meeting

March 23 - "How Medical Care is Changing in the Post-Covid World" with AdventHealth CEO Mike Schultz

April 6 - Judge Michael Scionti and the Veterans Court

April 13 - Mike Minor -US Gold Paralympian snowboarder

April 20 - "Separating Fact From Fiction" with the editor of Politifact

April 27 - Italian Malia history in Tampa with author and historian Scott Deitch

## Giving Day postponed until 2022

THE ROTARY CLUB OF TAMPA PROUDLY PRESENTS


# Giving Day

**A Wide-Open and Outdoor Event for All**

**SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 28, 2021  
10AM - 1PM**  
*Program starts at 10:00 am sharp!*  
**Water Works Park  
1710 N Highland Ave  
Tampa, FL  
33602**

**Kick Off  
Jam with  
Bus Stop Band  
at 9:45AM**

We are so disappointed that this year's Giving Day, scheduled for Sunday, has been cancelled. The City of Tampa has determined that public gatherings are still a risk due to Covid-19. However, our grant recipients are still receiving over \$50,000 in support, and we will be inviting them all to an upcoming club luncheon to share their stories over the coming weeks.



Our thanks to Christy Vogel and her amazing committee that gave so much time and effort to planning this event. We are already looking ahead to 2022!

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