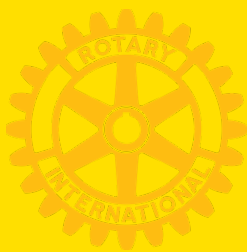


Rotary



Club of Tampa

Friday, March 15, 2024

Upcoming Events

March 19th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: LTC (R) Perry Blackburn

Subject: 12 Strong- "What you don't know won't always hurt you"

March 24th

Trinity Cafe - Service Event

March 26th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Stephanie Hayes

Subject: Tampa Bay Times Columnist reflects on our city

March 26th

Rotary 101 Seminar

April 2nd

Bloodmobile on site

April 2nd

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Ron & Renee Vaughn

Subject: Reflections on 30 Years of Transformative Leadership

April 9th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Rebecca Nagy, Ph.D.

Subject: My Love Affair with the Art of Ghana

April 16th

Take a Rotarian to Lunch Day!

Happy Birthday!



Ashley N. James
March 18th



Sara Ferrari
March 21st

Your Leaders



Kathleen Luzier
Bozolea
President



Roderick P. Gaerlan
President-Elect



Paige Niehaus
Secretary



Charles V. Williams
Treasurer

12 Strong- "What you don't know won't always hurt you"



Join us on Tuesday, March 19 to meet LTC (R) Perry Blackburn, a retired US Army Special Forces Officer and the CEO of AFGFree. During his time in the military, Perry served in multiple roles with the US Army. The majority of that time was spent with 5th SFG(A), where he was deployed to multiple theatres. He served both in Afghanistan and Iraq, and was an ODA team commander during Operation Anaconda. As a Green Beret, he was one of the very first Americans on the ground in Afghanistan after 9/11.

He was one of the famous Horse Soldiers that rode into the country on horseback that were featured in the film "12 Strong". In addition, Perry was a member of US Special Forces dive teams and he later played semi-professional football as a QB1 for the Abu Dhabi Wildcats. Perry is also a proud father and loving husband.

Guests are welcome! Click here to register so we are expecting you. Members attend at no charge, and guests pay \$25 to join us. Members do not need to preregister any longer. PLEASE arrive by 11:45 so we can start on time.

Trinity Cafe is service and fellowship



The RCT has a long tradition of serving together at Trinity Cafe on Nebraska Avenue. Volunteers assume the role of restaurant "wait staff" - serving tables, conversing with guests, bussing and hosting tables, and other restaurant tasks. Earlier this month, 10 club members helped serve lunch to our neighbors in need, and we are doing it again on Sunday for breakfast!



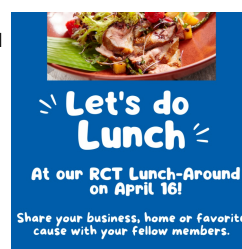
10 Rotarians will serve a delicious weekend breakfast to our neighbors on Sunday, March 24, and only two spots are still available. Click here to sign up today!

Host an RCT Lunch-Around on April 16

Rotary 'lunch-arounds' are a great way to introduce fellow Rotarians to your business, home, or favorite cause. This fall, 4 members hosted a wide variety of opportunities and new ways for members to get to know each other a little better. ***Are you next??***

Our upcoming lunch-around is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 16**, and YOU are invited to open your doors to our members. If you are interested, click here to share with the number of members you want to host, location, and any other information we should know.


Thanks in advance for building on this new tradition!





Asif Khan Hakeem
Sergeant-at-Arms

Donate Blood at Rotary on April 2



DONATE BLOOD




Rotary
Club of Tampa
at Hillsborough County Bar Association
Tuesday, April 2
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

All donors will receive*:
- **\$20 eGift Card**
- **Insulated Tote Bag**
- **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening.

Fact: Approximately 62% of the population is eligible to donate blood.

Appointments are encouraged, please visit oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code #27458.

ID REQUIRED
*One offer per donor, per donation. No cash value. Not transferable. Gifts may vary. For more information please visit oneblood.org.

Donors Receive

- PLUS -

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oneblood

Rotarians! Spread the word and mark your calendar to make April 2 the day you save a life by donating blood. Appointments will be available from 9:30 - 2:30, and the OneBlood truck will be parked at Ferguson Law Center to make it easy. This is one more way we can serve our neighbors.

This opportunity is open to all, so spread the word! [Click here to make an appointment](#), and use sponsor #27458.

Rotary 101 = Deepen your club knowledge on March 26

Rotary Club of Tampa presents
ROTARY 101

A seminar for new and curious members
Hosted by the Mentorship Committee

Rotary 101 is our one-hour seminar on that informs RCT members on club history, finances, opportunities for service, and more. All of our red badge members are required to attend at least once, and it is open to everyone! Please plan to attend one of these events if you have not before.

 Tuesday, March 5 OR  Tuesday, March 26

 1:15 - 2:15 PM after our luncheon

RSVP On the website, via the weekly newsletter, or by emailing cvogel@marketingdirection.com



Presenter: Christy Vogel

[Click here to register for March 26](#)