



Thursday, August 8, 2024

Upcoming Events

August 13th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Jim & Lisa Schalk

Subject: Toffee to Go - a local business success story

August 20th

RCT Lunch-around - service & meetings

August 21st

Toast to Fellowship and Service! RCT Happy Hour

August 24th

Rotary Day at the Race!

August 27th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: District Governor Chevon Baccus

Subject: District 6890's dynamic new leader

September 7th

Service Day at Rotary Camp Florida

September 10th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Scott Dudley

Subject: From a gift of a kidney to Rotary connections - "Why Rotary?"

September 24th

Club Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Ron Weaver

Subject: Top 10 Tampa Scandals

Happy Birthday!



Barbara J. Izzi
August 16th

Your Leaders



Kathleen Luzier Bogolea
President
iPast President



Connie E Gage
President-Elect



Sunny Alexander
Secretary



Michael Flores
Treasurer



Lonnie Veasley Jr.
Sergeant-at-Arms

Local Business Success Story = Toffee to Go



For over two decades, **Toffee to Go** has embodied sweetness, community, and a legacy rooted in **Lisa and Jim Schalk's** passion for crafting delectable treats. With friends and relatives eagerly anticipating their annual batches of handcrafted toffee, Lisa and Jim seized the opportunity to share their culinary delight with a wider audience, thus giving birth to Toffee to Go, initially as a humble gift business that soon captured the hearts and taste buds of customers far and wide. Throughout its remarkable journey, Toffee to Go has achieved



significant milestones, including the prestigious honor of being selected as one of "Oprah's Favorite Things." This recognition catapulted the brand into the national spotlight while maintaining its deep connection to the local community.

Meet these two entrepreneurs and hear their inspiring story at our August 13 luncheon! (Get ready for some special treats too!)

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.

Are you traveling? Join us on Zoom! [Click here for the link to the meeting.](#)

Membership Matters!

The great energy of a Rotary luncheon is contagious! The laughs, service, warmth, and exciting speakers equal an hour well spent each week. As we are growing our club, luncheons are the best place to introduce your friends and colleagues to the Rotary life.

[This link provides more details on the membership process.](#)

This might be helpful for all members to review, as it has changed a bit from prior years. Our membership, mentoring, and orientation committees are dedicated to welcoming, supporting, and engaging all new members. Every member brings something special to the club.

HELP US GROW! Our speaker, service, and social agenda is robust. Host a guest, ask them to join, make them feel welcome. We are stronger together!

Bring a Guest
to a Rotary
event and.....
Watch our
Club grow!

Sign up today for August 20 Lunch-Arounds



Let's do
Lunch

At our RCT Lunch-Around
on August 20!

Service opportunities, committee
meetings, and fellowship time

August 20's RCT meeting day is one of our quarterly offsite events, and it has something for everyone! Some committee chairs will host meetings at their offices or restaurants, others will meet for business, and we have service opportunities as well. If you would like to host your committee that day, reach out to your members and [let the office know.](#)

Depending on demand, we may add more service opportunities, but below is what is available so far. Space is limited so **RSVP today!**

Joshua House: Make, serve, and share lunch with an energetic group of 6 - 11 year olds at this nurturing, family-like home and therapeutic care program for abused, abandoned, and neglected children. 8 spots available.

Trinity Cafe: Serve a nutritious hot, sit-down lunch to our neighbors in need. Volunteers assume the role of restaurant "wait staff" including serving tables, bussing & hosting tables, etc. 10 spots available.

[RSVP here to let us know your Rotary plan for August 20!](#)



First happy hour of the new club year is August 21

Rotarians and Friends! Gathering for friendship and networking is one of our favorite ways to connect, so don't miss our next happy hour on August 21 from 4 - 6 pm at Union New American.

Located in Tampa Bay's Westshore Business District, Union New American offers a captivating blend of stunning design, upscale ambiance, and truly genuine hospitality.

Bring prospective members and friends to this pay your own way event! [Please RSVP so we know we have space for all to be comfortable.](#)
