



District Governor Debbie Meegan



# District 6890 News

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## District Governors Message for August

By Debbie Meegan



August is  
Membership & New Club Development  
Month



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### August is Rotary's Membership and New Club Development Month

What a great opportunity to celebrate your membership in Rotary and share with others. Showcasing your Rotary pride is a great way to attract other members.

A few tips to help## Celebrate Rotary's Membership and New Club Development Month

- **Say it Loud, say it Proud!** Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud Rotary member on your Twitter and Facebook accounts.
- **Create a Membership Action Plan!** Register for the 1<sup>st</sup> Membership Action Plan which will take place August 8<sup>th</sup>. The first monthly training session will cover How to Create a Pipeline. Click here to register. [LOGIN to REGISTER HERE](#)
- **Exchange ideas!** Do you have successful membership strategies that have worked well in your community? Share them on the [Membership Best Practices Discussion Group](#).
- **We Are Rotary!** Using the hashtag #WeAreRotary, #PeopleofAction, #RotaryDistrict and [post photos](#) to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, of your club members at work in your community or abroad to show how Rotary makes a positive impact in the world.
- **Making a difference!** Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories about your service projects and how they improve lives on [Rotary Showcase](#). Be sure to follow Rotary International on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) to see what Rotary members around the world are doing to celebrate Membership Month.



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# AUGUST IS

**MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

“Just as Rotary itself can never keep its place unless it is constantly growing, so each individual Rotary club cannot afford to stand still while the stream of life moves onward.” Past RI President 1940-41 Armando de Arruda Pereira



**TAKE ACTION:**  
Join Rotary, Be a People of Action

## District Rotary Foundation News

By Mark Gilbert Scolnick  
your District RI Foundation Chair



Hello my fellow Rotarians! I want to take this opportunity to *thank you* for your support for **The Rotary Foundation** last year. We all take great pride in the good we do in the world. The projects we help fund and the lives we improve are part of the reason why we are Rotarians.

At the Rotary year end we reached \$139.78 giving per District member. Our goal this year is to reach \$160 per District member. Doable? Yes! It will take more of you giving on a regular basis though and to that end we encourage you all to enroll in automatic contributions. Those of you who are already enrolled, please consider raising your amount, even by a little....every bit will help!

We need to keep up our support and increase it if we can. With the world having famine, climate change, and war, the needs have increased and so should our contributions.



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The **Annual Fund** is the primary source of funding for all Foundation activities. Remember that half of what you give comes back to your club in the form of District Designated Funds. Support our efforts year round by making a recurring gift. You choose how often and how much you want to give—it's a simple and secure way to make a big impact.

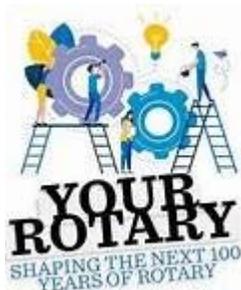
A monthly, quarterly, or annual gift option is available for all [online contributions](#). You can enroll at [my.rotary.org/rotary-direct](#), or enroll by phone at +1-866-976-8279.

To update your existing recurring giving contributions, sign in to My Rotary and choose Profile to access Donor Self-Service. Alternatively, email [rotarydirect@rotary.org](mailto:rotarydirect@rotary.org) or call +1-866-976-8279. For security reasons, changes to your credit card information should be made by yourself online or by phone. Please do not send changes by mail or email.

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## Reasons for Joining a Rotary Club

By Duane Williams



Rotarians you know the value of being a member of a Rotary club. But when you are talking to a potential new club member, it's important to remember that many candidates or recruits might have only limited knowledge of Rotary or none at all. Creating a dialogue and asking open-ended questions is the best way to find out if and how Rotary membership could be beneficial to a prospective member. Find out as much as you can about their priorities to tailor a response that is more likely to resonate with them personally. Here are some aspects of membership that may appeal to them.

- **Make Yourself Heard.** Clubs sometimes provide critical voice and grassroots support through District to Rotary International's legislative agenda. Be purposeful in making yourself heard.
- **Give Back to Your Community.** Club members and District ambassadors within communities support countless programs that make a difference in the lives of others. Insure that your club members continue to serve and are giving back in the truest sense.
- **Add Value to Club Member's Lives.** Rotary clubs should sponsor interesting programs and opportunities to interact with business leaders on issues important to members.
- **Networking With Fellow Rotarians.** Rotary club members include second career and retired members both civilian and military across the work force who have contacts within their communities that can be extremely valuable to your clubs.
- **Be an Informed Rotarian.** Club newsletters, websites, and meetings to include hybrids can provide clubs with the latest information on local, state, and national issues.
- **Camaraderie and Friendship.** Clubs offer the opportunities for Rotarians members to connect with other members with similar backgrounds and interest and develop close and lasting friendships.
- **Rotarians are Leaders.** We must all rise to new heights in our quest to grow our clubs with:

**Purpose ... Membership ... Mission ... Friendship**



Duane Williams  
District Membership Chair  
Rotary E-Club of Tampa South

## THE MOST WHILE IN PURSUIT OF THE MISSING LINE

By Nicholas R. Hall

PDG Nick Hall's first-hand account of his bicycle journey from Seattle to SanDiego

**VARIED RIDING CONDITIONS:** Rain the first couple of days out of Seattle, fog and 50 degrees along the coast, dry and 100 degrees inland, steep hills along the coast, flat terrain in the valleys, lush redwood forests in northern California, cultivated land interspersed with barren countryside inland, exquisite scenery interrupted with miles of oil wells and endless solar panels. This ride seemed at times a microcosm of all the rides I've undertaken since my first cross-country cycling trip in 1965. I definitely experienced the most variety on this trip.



**FELLOW CROSS-COUNTRY CYCLISTS:** The Pacific Coast Highway is known as a challenging yet beautiful cycling route the world over. I met three men from Hungary, a couple from Australia, a lady from Canada,  
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## Multi-District Rotary Disaster Response Grant for Ukraine

By Irma Cole



DG Debbie Meegan and District Foundation Chair Mark Scolnick are pleased to inform you that because of

your generosity during the drive to collect donations for Ukraine Disaster Relief, our District has been able to participate in a Multi-District \$75,000 Disaster Relief Grant to help the people of Ukraine.

These funds will enable us to purchase four 30w generators. Each generator will keep an entire hospital running in Ukraine, where continuous bombing has destroyed or disabled the power supply. These generators should help provide much needed medical care to the war casualties and the public.

This is a collaboration among districts from Wisconsin 6220, India 3181, and Florida 6890. The idea came from a Rotarian in Lake Mary who Mark knew from when they were both in District 7910 in Massachusetts. The Rotary Club of Kyiv in Ukraine, identified the need and vendors to provide the refurbished generators.

## Ray's Day for All!

Join Rotarians from both sides of the bay for this fun social event!!



### 2022 ROTARY DAY WITH THE RAYS

	<b>SUNDAY, AUGUST 21</b> START TIME: 1:10 P.M. GATES OPEN: 11:40 A.M.	Join fellow Rotary Club members from around the area for our Rotary Day with the Rays!  A portion of every ticket purchased will benefit the Rotary Foundation
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<b>All Inclusive Rays Club:</b>	<b>\$170</b> (we must have a minimum of 12 tickets purchased)
<b>Lower Box with a free Rays hat:</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>Rays Party Deck (300 level):</b>	<b>\$28</b>

Deadline to purchase is Friday, August 12th, 2022

 	<b>PAYMENT INFORMATION</b>  Make checks payable to: <b>Beil &amp; Hay Trust Acc't</b> 12300 US 19, Hudson, FL 34667  For more information, please contact <b>Eugene Beil at <a href="mailto:kiwimate@msn.com">kiwimate@msn.com</a></b>  All tickets will be mobile through <b>the Ballpark App</b>
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Offer not available through Tropicana Field box offices. Tickets subject to availability. No refunds or exchanges. Prices subject to change. Any returned checks subject to \$40.00 charge.

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Please send applications directly to iPDG Deborah Williams via email. You may send email to her directly from this site by clicking on her name in the District Leaders section.

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