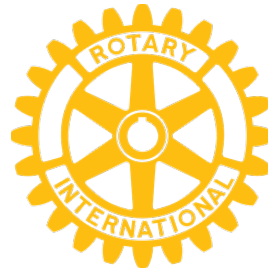


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## Club of Marco Island



Wednesday, May 10, 2023



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## Spirit Awards Gala 2023 - Recap

By Jessica Harris Babcock on Wednesday, May 10, 2023

**Many, many thanks to our sponsors** who made the Spirit Awards Gala a huge success this year!

Check out event photos on our website.



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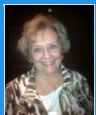
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## Next In-Person Meeting

By Kathryn L Pasternak on Wednesday, May 10, 2023

We hope you will be able to join us for our next in-person meeting at noon on **Thursday, May 18th at Bistro Soleil, 100 Palm St., Marco Island.** Social hour will commence at 11:30 a.m., and lunch will be served at noon. This meeting will be one of our cherished Students-of-the-Month recognition events. Please join us to congratulate these deserving students, their families, friends, teachers and school administrators. Please remember to come to the check-in table before going into the dining room to be seated. Remember to RSVP



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## New Member Spotlight: Julianne Jones

By Linda J. Sandlin on Wednesday, May 10, 2023



Julianne Jones joins the Rotary Club of Marco Island Noontime

First and foremost, Julianne adores being around water. Her love of water began in the 4th grade when her family moved from the city to the shore in Niantic, CT. Growing up, she also visited the home base of the Lumbee Tribe in North Carolina to learn about her family history. Julianne's father is 100% Native America and studying her cultural roots was an important part of her formative years. Another early passion for Julianne was soccer which eventually led to a college scholarship and coaching middle school soccer as an adult.

At present, Julianne is taking Biblical Studies and working on a degree in the field of Psychology from Colorado Christian University. Meanwhile, she continues to pursue her marketing career with clients including JW Marriott, Wellness for Eternity, and Melaleuca. In addition, she is a professional make-up artist.

Indeed, Julianne is a perpetual learner. But #1 in her life is being a mom to her beautiful daughters. Next on her priority list is serving others - which she is faithfully teaching her daughters to do as well. She is dedicated to serving her church and acts as a sobriety coach. Julianne clearly has a Rotarian's "Service Above Self" heart. Our Rotary Club is thrilled to welcome her into our family.

## Get Involved with Rotary

By Linda J. Sandlin on Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Two Fabulous Rotary Opportunities:

There's still time to register for the **Rotary Leadership Institute**. This is one of the best ways to fast track your understanding of all things Rotary. The next opportunity to attend will be on Saturday, May 13th, 8:30-4:00, at Keiser University on the East Trail in Naples. Lunch is included. Contact Linda Sandlin at 239-777-9200 for registration information.



Our **District Conference Celebration** will be held on Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. Friday includes a Dinner Celebration with live music and Saturday includes our keynote speakers at Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner. We will also sort and pack all the pajamas and books collected throughout our District for the Foster Care Pajama Project. This is another wonderful opportunity to celebrate the good we are doing in our community and in the world. Again, happy to help you sign up. Contact Linda Sandlin at 239-777-9200 for registration information.

## 4th Quarter Dues

By Durell Buzzini on Wednesday, May 10, 2023



It's time to pay those 4th Quarter Dues. If you did not receive your invoice or have any questions, please contact Durell Buzzini 207-745-4679 or [rotarybuzz@outlook.com](mailto:rotarybuzz@outlook.com)

## Rotary Earth Day Litter Pickup



On Saturday, April 22, the Rotary Club of Marco Island Noontime along with the YMCA hosted a successful Rotary Earth Day Litter pick up at the Y and around the island neighborhoods. Our Rotary wish is that every day would be Earth Day with everyone helping to keep our island litter free. Thanks to all who participated in keeping our island beautiful.

## Meals of Hope Happy Hour

By Jennifer M. Tenney on Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Our Meals of Hope Happy Hour was a great success. Normally, we raise around \$800, but this year we crushed it with \$1720. This is in large thanks to the professional 50/50 sellers of Bill, Renee, and Kenny! The entertainer was also amazing - as a singer, DJ, and karaoke leader. Many others made the night a success as well: Linda and Allen at the check-in table, our professional partiers: Sue, Phil, and Linda C. Hats off to Marco Brewery for being such wonderful hosts.

... And if you see any pictures of someone who looks like me with a red face and a Cher wig pretending to sing with a fake Sonny .... as Shaggy said, "It wasn't me."

Sincerely,  
Jennifer