

Welcome New Members

Welcome New Members Melanie Holliday and Paul Tritaik!



Melanie Holliday

Melanie Holliday is a success-driven and visionary professional, who has cultivated extensive experience leading high-impact projects and events across various industries. She is particularly adept at boosting fundraising efforts and building robust, collaborative relationships, which have been instrumental in ensuring seamless project execution and delivering superior service. Her commitment to stakeholder engagement and strategic approach have been key drivers in her ability to navigate and succeed in challenging environments, making her a reliable leader in managing and executing projects that require a delicate balance of creativity, strategy, and leadership.

Since becoming a Sanibel resident in 2018 with her husband John Trebilcock she has been involved with many charities on the Island including F.I.S.H., CROW, The Sanibel Community House, Sanibel Fire and Rescue, Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce, Sanibel-Captiva Islands Association of Realtors, CASI - Condominium Associations of Sanibel, Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association, Vacation Rental Management Association, Florida League of Cities and many others.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, traveling, boating, biking or walking to the beach, and shelling.

Paul Tritaik

Paul Tritaik grew up as an "Army brat" in Fort Campbell, KY; Fort Eustis, VA; Rotterdam, The Netherlands; North Haven, CT; Columbus, OH; Cincinnati, OH, and Arnold, MD. His father was an army captain, and his parents hailed from Connecticut. Paul attended the University of Maryland in College Park and graduated with a degree in Fish and Wildlife Management, then began his career with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in Maryland. He continued his career at Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge and Bond Swamp NWR in Georgia, and then Pelican Island and Archie Carr NWRs in Vero Beach, Florida. Paul married Rachel in 1999, and they welcomed their son, Liam in 2005.

In 2008, Paul and his family moved to Sanibel, where he served as Wildlife Refuge Manager and Project Leader for the J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR complex. Paul retired from the Federal Government in 2020 and began an environmental consulting business. His clients currently include the City of Sanibel and the Captiva Erosion Prevention District.

Paul has been active in the community, coaching Liam in basketball, baseball, soccer, and flag football, as well as serving as assistant scoutmaster of Liam's Boy Scout Troop 1740. Paul serves on the Board of Directors for the National Wildlife Refuge Association, the Pelican Island Conservation Society, the Sanibel Captiva Audubon Society, the Fish and Wildlife Service Retirees Association, and the Fish and Wildlife Service History Committee. Paul also enjoys travel, birding, fishing, hiking, and sports, but especially spending time with Rachel and Liam and their golden retriever.

Welcome Melanie and Paul!



Speakers

August 09, 2024

Vicki

Living Well Missions

August 16, 2024

Andrea Miller & John Lai

City of Sanibel 50th Anniv.

August 23, 2024

Kevin Barbot

Sanibel Fire Chief

August 30, 2024

NO MEETING

LABOR DAY

September 06, 2024

Charlie Sobczak

Author

Birthdays

Roger W. Triftshauser

August 13th

Tristan Starbird

August 21st

Thomas R Green

August 22nd

John Henshaw

August 27th

Mary C. Schoeffel

August 28th

Cindy Lee

August 30th

David Barton Lowden

August 31st

Barbara Ellis

September 4th

Barbara Leazes

September 5th

Wedding Anniversaries

Darrin Patrick Grotrian

August 14th

Christopher J. DeCosta

August 16th

John M. Mason

August 18th

Chester James Sadler

August 20th

Paul J. Hawkins

August 21st

Roger W. Triftshauser

August 22nd

Clark Rambo

August 24th

Years of Service

Joleen Mercedes Raho

08-11-2017

7 Years

Donald McDonald

08-07-2019

5 Years

From Red to Blue!

Kirk Whalen



We are happy to announce that Kirk Whalen became an official "Blue Badge" carrying member of the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club.

This is no easy task! To transition from a red badge to a blue badge Rotarian, you must complete certain tasks. They are:

1. Review the Rotary International website at rotary.org
2. View and login to the District and Club database at dacdb.com
3. Review sanibelrotary.org
4. Attend the new member orientation meeting.
5. Meet as many members as possible. Sit with a different group each meeting.
6. Serve as Club Greeter for at least two meetings.
7. Lead the club in the Four Way Test.
8. Volunteer for a Rotary Service Project.
9. Attend a Board of Directors or Trust Board meeting to observe the internal club operations.
10. Visit another Rotary Club.
11. Serve on at least one Club Committee.
12. Attend the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI).
13. Invite a guest to Rotary.

How many of these items have you completed?

Congratulations Kirk!

Rotary Social

William H. Harkey
08-30-2019
5 Years

Sam Ankerson
08-09-2021
3 Years

Tommy Lee Williams
08-12-2022
2 Years

Linda Graves Arnold
08-19-2022
2 Years

Fred C Nordstrom
08-26-2022
2 Years

Daniel W. Small
08-18-2023
1 Year

Sally H. Haynes
08-18-2023
1 Year

Savannah Miller-Berg
08-18-2023
1 Year

Nigel Thomas Harney
08-25-2023
1 Year

Tampa Bay Rays Rotary Game!



2024 Rotary Day with the Rays

August 8 - Firm Deadline to get your ticket!

Your tickets will be transferred to you prior to the game using the email address you provide when you register.

You MUST download the MLB Ballpark App to gain entry.

No refunds or exchanges.

This offer is *not available* through Tropicana Field Box Office.

Ticket price includes a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

Processing fee for this registration is 3.5% using a credit card. OR a flat \$3.50 if you provide your banking information (ACH) - bank account # and routing # required.

Start Time is 4:10 pm

Gates Open 2:10 pm

First 500 to register receive the Rays Rotary brand ball cap!

2024 Rotary Day with the Rays



All Inclusive Baldwin Group Club: \$200
Lower Box (sections 124/126): \$50

Ticket price includes a donation to the Rotary Foundation
All tickets come with a custom, Rotary branded Rays hat. This offer is limited and will sell out.

**If you are interested in attending,
please contact Alison Charney Hussey
at (239)395-0031 to purchase a ticket!**

Did you know...?

Go ahead! Email it in!

Our Club has set up an "Email It In" account, with a dedicated folder on our google drive for pictures, videos, files or slides, etc, that anyone can send! We can then use the information for newsletters, press releases, social media and other things.

The new e-mail address is sancaprotary@emailitin.com

If you put a [tag] in the Subject Line of your e-mail it will create a separate folder in the Google Drive under the Email It In folder.

If any of you have recent pictures or videos of Rotarians in action, please try it out. We now have an Instagram account (you heard it here first!) so we need some content to flesh it out before revealing to the membership and public. If you want to search for it and follow it, let me know if it is easy to find or if we need to tweak things.

Club Calendar

To access the Club Calendar, cut and paste the link below:

<https://sanibelrotary.org/?p=calendar>

August 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Donations Portal						
			+1 More	+2 More	8a Sanibel-Captiva Weekly Club Meeting	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Donations Portal						
					8a Sanibel-Captiva Weekly Club Meeting	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Donations Portal						
					8a Sanibel-Captiva Weekly Club Meeting	8:15a MASTER CLASSES: CPR/AED/FIR AID or PUBLIC SPEAKING
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Donations Portal						
	7p District 6960 Finance Committee Meeting	5p Club Board Meeting			8a Sanibel-Captiva Weekly Club Meeting	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Donations Portal						
					8a No Meeting Today	

Friday's Speaker

This week we will be hearing from

Vivki Bonham, founder of Living Well Mission



Vicki Bonham, MA, LMHC, is a passionate and dedicated licensed mental health counselor who envisions counseling as the intersection where compassionate care seamlessly merges with transformative change. With a calling to empower individuals, couples, families, and teenagers, Vicki brings extensive expertise and a wealth of knowledge to guide clients in her practice toward profound and positive transformations.

Holding a Master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and being a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) in Florida, Vicki offers a solid foundation of expertise. With over 40 years of experience in the educational system as a teacher, administrator, and counselor, she has a unique perspective that enriches her approach. Currently pursuing a PhD in Counseling and Psychological Studies with a concentration in Marriage and Families at Regent University, her commitment to ongoing education ensures that individuals benefit from the latest evidence-based approaches.

Vicki's passion for the overall mental health of individuals led her to establish The Living Well Mission, a visionary initiative serving as a vehicle to offer financial and emotional assistance to a broad range of individuals seeking therapy. It is her dream to collaborate with professionals from various fields to address mental health needs both locally and globally.

Our regular weekly club meetings are at 8:00am, doors open at 7:30am. Our meeting will take place at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, on Sanibel!

Meetings will also continue to be available by zoom for those unable to physically attend.

Here is the link to connect to zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/>

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Here is the number to connect by phone: (646) 931-3860

Meeting ID: 885 1377 3856

Passcode: **955563**

See you Friday morning!

In case you missed it!



Last week we heard from Calusa Waterkeeper Captain Codty Pierce!



Captain Codty Pierce is a passionate environmental advocate dedicated to protecting Florida's coastal waters. Inspired by childhood adventures, Codty leads efforts to preserve the Caloosahatchee River and more than 1000 sq. miles of local Southwest Florida estuaries.

Check out what's happening in D6960 this August!



Dear D6960 Rotarians,

August is Membership Month. Our Membership Chair, PDG Don Thomas, shares the enriching reasons why welcoming our friends and family into Rotary strengthens our clubs and our community. Read that and more in the August District 6960 newsletter. [Click here](#) to read it. A PDF version is also attached.

Registration is open for Rotary Leadership Institute, Parts 1, 2, and 3, happening August 17 in North Port. [Click here](#) for more.

Important: We are organizing the support for our Rotary Community in all of Southwest Florida which sustained significant damage in the wake of Hurricane Ian. **Please fill out [this survey](#)** so we know what resources we have and how we can help you.

Yours in Rotary,
Kelsey



MASTER CLASSES: PUBLIC SPEAKING AND CPR AED FIRST AID CERTIFICATIONS



ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
GULF COAST FLORIDA DIVISION
MASTER CLASS

AUGUST 17
9 PM - 3 PM
SATURDAY

Empower yourself with vital skills!

Woodland Middle School,
2700 Panacea Blvd,
North Port, FL 34289

Cost: \$100 per class (Includes Lunch)

Communicate with Impact

Public Speaking and Effective Communication Workshop

Overcome overthinking and manage nerves

Clear articulation and audience engagement

Instructor:
Michael Perez
Public Speaking and Communication Coach

Heartsaver CPR, AED, and First Aid Training

Comprehensive CPR/AED training for adults, children, and infants

First Aid for medical, injury, and environmental emergencies

Instructor:
Nationwide Health

Enhance Your Skills and Earn Certifications!
Register Today!



Register with QRCode above or go to the District Calendar event on August 17th.
For assistance, please contact Sherry Penfield, spenfield@yahoo.com or Judy Hammond, judyhammond@ymail.com

2024-2025 President Contact Info

Our 2024-2025 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary President: Rachel Tritaik



Contact information for our 2024-2025 President, Rachel Tritaik
rachel@islandtherapycenter.com or cell 239-297-4997

Club Meeting

Sanibel-Captiva
Meets at Sanibel Community House
2173 Periwinkle Way
Sanibel, FL 33957
Time: Friday at 07:30 AM

