

## Club Meeting

St. Augustine Sunset  
Meets at Trinity Hall at Trinity Episcopal Church 1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays  
5 Artillery Lane  
St. Augustine, FL 32084  
Time: Tuesday at 05:30 PM

# Rotary

## Club of St. Augustine Sunset



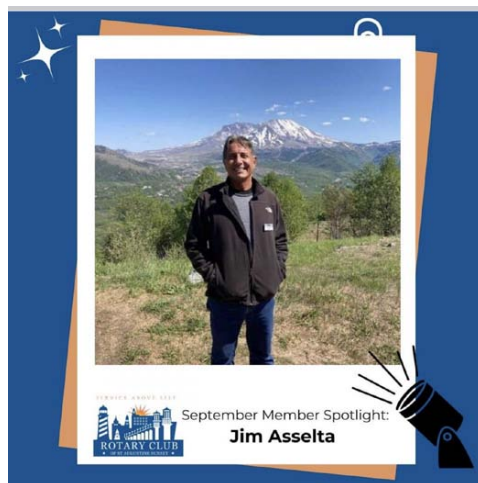
## Events

See our website! and Our Linktr.ee!

It's Rotary Education & Literacy Month

Sign up to VOLUNTEER in St. Johns County  
Schools: [SJCSJ Volunteer Application](#)

## Member Spotlight this month: Jim Asselta!



## September Club Assembly

By Melinda Meade  
Bergbom

Sunday, September 17,  
2023

## Fall-themed September Club Assembly: Assistant District Governor Visited



We dressed for the fall theme & drank special apple cider as we gave congratulations to **Judi Cowan**, our newest member, and to Peggy Gachet and Sandi Zelkjo (not pictured) for recognition as Paul Harris Fellows. **Dan Hilbert, our Assistant District Governor**, joined us for club assembly to induct Judi Cowan and to recognize **Peggy Gachet as a four-time Paul**



**Congratulations to @jim\_asselta!**  
 Jim has been part of Rotary for 15 years,  
 is a local musician and real estate investor.  
 He is also a member of the Jax Mortgage  
 Brokers Association  
 and St. Augustine Airline Pilots Association  
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## This Tuesday: September 19th

**Our speaker is Carolyn Mudgette: Global Grants**

Carolyn Mudgette has been a Rotarian since 1998 with St. Augustine Sunrise Rotary Club, is a past president, has served in numerous district positions, is currently the District 6970 District Grants Chair, and is a PHF+8. She owns Easy SociAbility, a social media management marketing company.  
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## Rotary Dine Around

Our Dine Around will be held at The Purple Olive, 4255 A1A South, on **Friday, September 29th** with two seatings at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. with 20 guests at each seating.

Contact **Carolyn Mudgette** with questions/changes **(904) 540-7004**

[CLICK HERE for 6:00pm seating](#)

[CLICK HERE for 7:30pm seating](#)

Bring spouses, children, friends, and potential Rotarians for an evening of fellowship and to benefit the Rotary Foundation's efforts to End Polio Now! The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation matches our donations 2-to-1! For our club to get a share of Paul Harris recognition points, at least one person from our club needs to come.

The restaurant will be open just for us if we fill all of our

**Harris Fellow and Sandi Zelkjo, as a two-time Paul Harris Fellow.**

Our own **Chef Ellie Schultze** prepared a delightful dinner for the club.

We are so happy to have her as our resident chef!

Dan informed us about the creation of Rotary back in Chicago in 1905 when Paul Harris and four other community leaders got together to form a service club. Dan oversees Area 12 of District 6970, which is our area.

**Sunny Mulford** updated us on Epic-Cure. A volunteer sign-up page is being added to the website. Volunteers are needed for store pickup of food items, and CDL drivers to drive large trucks in Palatka. The Shine-the-Light 5-K on October 28 is progressing nicely with many of the local running clubs attracting participants. The 3rd annual golf tournament on October 30 is also moving along. Sunny will be soliciting Rotarian volunteers for that event. The farm-to-table dinner concept has changed somewhat. There will be two dinners planned, each at St. Cyprian Church, with one in October and one in February in partnership with Compassionate St. Augustine. These will be invitation-only events with 30 guests invited to each event. The youth from the cooking classes will be preparing the meals.

**Kathie Mueller** won Charcuterie for two in our BINGO! game

**Karen Race** talked about the Spanish Street Fiesta at the Fountain of Youth to benefit St. Judes Childrens Hospital on October 26. Tickets are \$100 each and can be found on the St. Jude Miracle on the Bayfront website.

Don't forget our **Fall Club Social on October 10** with a tour of the St. Johns County jail and happy hour at Schooners afterwards. **Long pants must be worn. No shorts, skirts or dresses on tour.**  
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## What have we been DOING?

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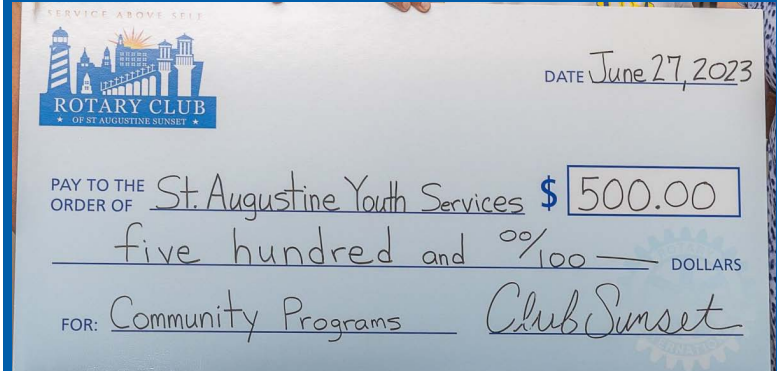
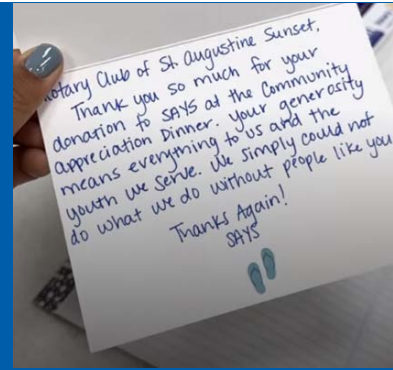
*Beach Clean-up*  
**Matanzas Riverkeepers, at  
the Matanzas Inlet October  
7<sup>th</sup>**

See Peggy for details

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**Membership Event! Bring  
Friends!**

**Remember- we must all wear pants!  
We will meet at the Sheriff's Dept.**



Ellie received Florida Historic Coast Culinary Legend Award, Kim is an American Mambo Champion, and Janice was victorious at the Boca Ballroom Competition,



**AND our club's been busy, too!**



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## EPIC-Cure "Shine a Light" 5k: October 28th

[CLICK HERE to Sign Up](#)[CLICK HERE for full details.](#)

This is an opportunity for us to support organizations providing **relief in Ukraine now!** Join to give 100% of the proceeds to organizations that shine a light of hope to our friends in Ukraine.

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## Pop-Up Service after each October meeting:

We're experts-in-demand for envelopes!  
**(easy, needed, service!)**

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New club polo shirts have been ordered- you will be billed.  
Our club has contributed \$1,000 to Area 12 (Hastings, Beach, Sunrise, St. Johns, St. Augustine & us) grant.

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### Recent Highlights from Last Month

## JSL President Carise Schuster came to visit



@rotarystaugsunset

Past @jslofa president Karen and current president Carise catching up before the club meeting!

Try to stay a bit (as you can) after each meeting in October: 3rd, 10th & 17th to help with addressing & thank you's for the recent community events.

*Thanks to new member, Genny Johns, who will plan our speakers for November!*

It's always time to support  
**EPIC- Cure!**

**Halloween Golf** coming up!

<https://birdease.com/epiccuregolf>

3rd annual Epic-Cure golf tournament on October 30, 2023.

Sponsorships & silent auction items welcome.

[Click here for sponsorship package & letter](#)

**EPIC-Cure Farm-to- Table dinner**

The youth who are involved with the Tuesday cooking classes will be preparing the menu items with fresh produce picked that day. There will be two dinners planned, each at St. Cyprian Church, with one in October and one in February in partnership with Compassionate St. Augustine. These will be invitation - only events with 30 guests invited to each event. The youth from the cooking classes will be preparing the meals.

**The District Disaster Relief Committee**

is seeking volunteers to serve in a variety of roles.

This may be general labor or may involve specific skills or expertise.

If you have interest or specific experience that would be useful

please contact Chair Richard Knoff at:

904-699-1072 or [ccfrchief3@gmail.com](mailto:ccfrchief3@gmail.com)

**World Polio Day is October 24th**

Our speaker was Carice Schuster, President, St. Augustine Junior Service League. It was founded in 1934 as a means for women to promote volunteerism. The organization has approximately 45 members who are committed to performing 60 hours of volunteer service annually. Seventeen organizations received a total of \$82,556 in grant funding in 2022. Legacy projects include the St. Augustine Lighthouse and Museum beginning in 1980 and Kid's Bridge in 1997. The organization holds 3 to 4 fundraising events each year; the next one is the Annual Gala at the Casa Monica on September 23, 2023. Tickets are still available at \$150 each. Thank you, Carice, for visiting our club and letting us know about the wonderful work the Junior Service League is doing in our community!

After our regular meeting, we got a good start on stuffing 1,100 envelopes with information on the Epic-Cure golf tournament on October 30, 2023.



*Welcome Aboard, Genny!*



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**Events Around our District (live links)**

- Oct. 7 Cheeseburger Paradise
- Oct. 14 Pub Crawl
- Oct. 21 Swine and Dine Derby
- Oct. 21 Pedals and Pints
- Oct. 27 Lobster Fest-to-Go
- Oct. 30 Murder Mystery Party
- Nov. 11 Cornhole Tournament
- Nov. 11 Pirates on the Edge
- Nov. 20 Journey into Cambodia

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September 19th, 5:30-6:30 PM      October 3rd, 4:00-5:00 PM

**[St. Augustine Sunset Meeting](#)**

**Location:** Carolyn Mudgette will speak about Global Grant in Mexico  
**Speaker:** Carolyn Mudgette  
**Subject:** Global Grants and Mexico

**[St. Augustine Sunset BOD Meeting](#)**

**Location:** Trinity Hall, 5 Artillery Lane

October 3rd, 5:30-6:30 PM      October 10th, 5:30-6:30 PM

**[St. Augustine Sunset Meeting](#)**

**Location:** Speaker: Under-sheriff Joel Bolante, also in charge of the Public Administration Degree Program at Flagler College  
**Speaker:** Joel Bolante  
**Subject:** Speaker: Under-sheriff Joel Bolante, also in charge of the Public Administration Degree Program at Flagler College

**[St. Augustine Sunset Club Assembly](#)**

**Location:** We will meet at the Sheriff's Department.  
**FALL MEMBER SOCIAL!**

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Sunny Mulford updated us on the 3rd annual Epic-Cure golf tournament on October 30, 2023. They need help with silent auction items. Epic-Cure is also planning a farm-to-table dinner for approx. 60 people on a date to be determined in October. The youth who are involved with the Tuesday cooking classes will be preparing the menu items with fresh produce picked that day.  
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**We've got committees making plans for our club!**

**Don't miss the Club Assembly to hear all about upcoming plans!**

(Let Lili know if you are interested in helping!)

**Membership Committee** is working on an upcoming **Member Social on October 10:**

Tour of Sherrif's Department, jail, New Hope, followed by happy hour at Schooners!  
Plan to bring a friend!!

The **Fundraising Committee** has set the Valentine's Event for Friday, February 9th.

The **Presidents' Council** is working on youth opportunities with our club.  
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**Mark your calendars**

September 12 - Club Assembly with new member induction & Paul Harris Ceremony by Assistant DG, Dan Hilbert

September 19- Carolyn Mudgette , Global Grants

October Meetings - Envelope Service

October 7 - Matanzas Riverkeepers Beach Clean-up

October 10 – Fall Member Social

October 17- Al Kalter, speaker on OLLI @ UNF Adult learning classes

October 24- farm to table fundraiser with Compassionate St. Augustine & EPIC-Cure

October 26 - Spanish Street Fiesta: St Judes

October 28 - Shine A Light on Epic-Cure 5k

October 30 - 3rd annual EPIC-Cure Golf Classic: Halloween Golf event

December 9 - M-U Regatta of Lights @ Jeani's

December 12 – Christmas social

December 17th - M-U St. Aug Orchestra @ Kelly Farm

January 16 - District Governor John Tabor visits our club.

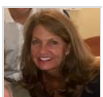
February 9- Valentine event Fundraiser

March 5- Spring Membership Event

April 30 - District Grant deadline

June 9-12- Rotary International in Singapore

**Club Leaders**



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