

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

THIS Tuesday, October 3rd!

Speaker:

Under-sheriff Joel Bolante, also in charge of the Public Administration Degree Program at Flagler College

(Rotary BOD Meeting begins at 4:00)

[See our website!](#) and [Our Linktr.ee!](#) (for volunteer opportunities)

The World Health Organization (WHO) designates **OCTOBER 10 as **World Mental Health Day** AND Mental Health is Rotary International's 2023 Focus!**

We will find some way to promote this special day, as well.

This is a **Membership Event!
Bring Friends!**

Remember- **we must all wear pants!** (HAHAHA! see below)

We will meet at the Sheriff's Dept.

A Visit to Mexico: Learning About Global Grants

By Melinda Meade Bergbom

Sunday, September 24, 2023

Last meeting: A Visit to Mexico Learning About Global Grants with Carolyn Mudgette 9/19/23

9/19/23



FLAG EXCHANGE



GLOBAL GRANT PRESENTATION BY CAROLYN MUDGETTE



sunset vibes





Business Casual is appropriate, here is our dress code policy for that:

Business Casual Attire - A relaxed dress code, which although meant to be comfortable, shall also be neat, clean and, portray a professional appearance. ·

Appropriate **male casual attire includes dress pants, a collared shirt (required), sweater, vest, or informal jacket and tie (vest, jacket and tie not required)** · Appropriate **female casual attire includes pants, blouse, sweaters, vests, informal jacket, dress shoes** · **All accessories such as watches, jewelry, makeup, and cologne / perfume are encouraged to be subtle**

Rotary Dine Around

"How to turn an investment of \$10,000 into a \$198,952 grant for a water project in the Copper Canyon region of Northern Mexico." Carolyn Mudgette, our speaker, told us this remarkable story. The St. Augustine Sunrise Rotary Club members heard the story of the Tarahumara people, an indigenous people, who were suffering from a severe drought, leading to widespread food shortages and a 50% infant mortality rate.

The club set aside \$10,000 from its Rhythm and Ribs fundraiser, asked other area clubs and individuals for donations, partnered with an NGO and the Chihuahua, Mexico Rotary Club. They then harnessed the resources of Rotary International to raise the \$198,952 grant. It was used to build five reservoirs to catch rainfall which provided much needed water for the Tarahumara people to grow their food crops.

What a fabulous story about the teamwork and resources of Rotary International!

Also joining us were Gary Israel, a past Rotary District Governor, and his wife, Ann Marie from the Rotary Club of Estero, FL visiting on a trip to St. Augustine.

Fall-themed September Club Assembly: Assistant District Governor, Dan Hilbert Visited, 9/12/23



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.

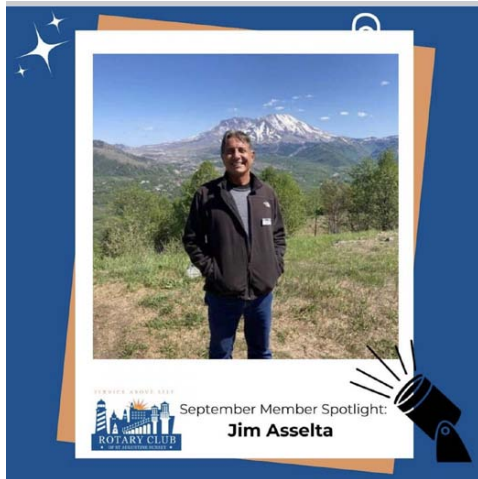
Dan Hilbert, our Assistant District Governor, joined us for club assembly to induct Judi Cowan and to recognize **Peggy Gachet as a four-time Paul Harris Fellow and Sandi Zelkjo, as a two-time Paul Harris Fellow.**

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



Rotary had the entire restaurant at Purple Olive. Lots of familiar faces!

Member Spotlight this month: Jim Asselta!



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

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 pans must be worn. No shorts, skirts or dresses on tour.**

What have we been *DOING?* *SPOTTED- Out & About* *Supporting Community*

Lili at "Dreams Come True" & Genny & Jeani at Junior Service League Gala

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- 10/2, 7:30am - **Trinity Parrish Golf Tournament at Marsh Creek**- need 5 volunteers
- **After each October meeting: Thanks & envelope addressing-** Trinity Hall
- **10/7 & 21- 9:45am - 11:00am help with food distribution at Woodlawn Terrace (see Betsy)**
- Consider staying after October meetings for Pop-Up Service: thanks/addressing /envelopes
- 10/7 Beach Clean-up Matanzas Riverkeepers, at the Matanzas Inlet
- October 28 EPIC-Cure "Shine a Light" 5k [CLICK HERE to Sign Up](#) [CLICK HERE for full details.](#)
- 10/13-15 **Sunrise Rotary's Dill Pickle Tournament:** [CLICK HERE to sign up to help](#)
- **District Disaster Relief Committee** contact Chair Richard Knoff at: ccfrchief3@gmail.com

St. Johns Housing Partnership Make a Difference Day 2023

Saturday, October 21 - 8 am to 5pm

Volunteers Needed!

The SJHP MDD Project is enlisting volunteers who will spread out over the entire county to help paint, clean and repair homes for the elderly, Veterans or disabled in St. Johns County. We invite you to join us in service on Make a Difference Day 2023!

WE NEED 8 TO 15 VOLUNTEERS PER PROJECT

Projects could include:

- Exterior house painting
- Landscape and yard clean up
- Build wheel chair ramps



WHY IS VOLUNTEERING A GOOD IDEA?

- Change lives, provide hope
- Helps out your community
- Learn new skills
- Meet new people
- Teaches you leadership
- Lots of Fun!!



TO VOLUNTEER, REGISTER ONLINE AT SJHP.ORG, BY CALLING 904-824-0902, OR SCANNING THE QR CODE!

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



AND our club's been busy, too!



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.

Recent Highlights from the Month

Starting September, JSL

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 always 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.

World Polio Day is October 24th
[CLICK HERE for Interesting polio news :-\)](#)

Want to get Involved Internationally?

[ROTARY'S MOROCCO EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE](#)

[MOTORCYCLE/DRIVE RIDE FOR ROTARY IN INDIA](#)

Events Around our District

[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](#)

President Carise Schuster came to visit



Our speaker was Carise 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, Carise, 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.

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 by US!

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??? Trinity???? - 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

[Nov. 11 Pirates on the Edge](#)

[Nov. 20 Journey into Cambodia](#)

October 3rd, 4:00-5:00 PM
[St. Augustine Sunset BOD Meeting](#)

Location: Trinity Hall, 5 Artillery Lane

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

[St. Augustine Sunset Club Assembly](#)

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

October 30th, 12:00-10:30 PM

[EPIC -Cure Halloween Golf Tournament](#)

Location: Looking for Auction items & Sponsors

October 3rd, 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

October 17th, 5:30-6:30 PM

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Location: Speaker: Pamm Eutsler OLLI - the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of North Florida

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