



Sunday, September 8, 2019

President's Message 09-06-2019

By Clarence Hill on Friday, September 6, 2019

We can all be grateful that Hurricane Dorian stayed as far off the coast as it did. I hope everyone survived with minimal damage. There seems to be quite a few organizations raising money and/or supplies for the Bahamas and the East Coast, including Shelter Box. Gary Abbey can provide more information on how to help. District 6970 is working with District 6990 in south Florida to assist with relief efforts for the Bahamas. This will be a topic for the Board meeting.

The deadline for committing to hosting an inbound exchange student for next year is September 28th. The cost is \$1,750 to the Club. It will be discussed at the Board meeting, so if anyone has an input, either provide it via email or be at the meeting.

Patriot Day is Wednesday the 11th. Please remember the tragic events of that day.

Thank you to all who helped with the Beaches Community Kitchen on Labor Day.

The Board meeting is next Monday, September 9th at the church at 6 PM. Raymond will be chairing the meeting.

Update from Shelter Box

By Gary Abbey on Friday, June 28, 2019



"ShelterBox is a Rotary International project partner that delivers emergency temporary shelter and other aid following disasters. ShelterBox welcomes contact from Rotarians to jointly assess community needs; we encourage you to engage with them to see what support and service opportunities can be offered."

Mark Maloney, RI President

Dear Gary,

We are writing to provide an update on Hurricane Dorian. As of today, ShelterBox is sending an assessment team to the Bahamas to work with Rotary, local contacts and other organizations to understand if we are well placed to help people who have lost their homes to this devastating storm. Our team will arrive by the end of the week.

We will be assessing the damage from the Category 5 storm to determine if there are any gaps in the need for emergency shelter that we can fill.

At this time, we have not created a restricted fund for Hurricane Dorian as assessments still need to be completed, but people can donate to deployment essentials to ensure aid is ready should we need it.

We have aid prepositioned in Panama and will be able to get it to the Bahamas quickly if we find it is needed.

We will continue to provide updates as we receive new information.

Sincerely,

Sarah, Sharee, and Bill

Invocation & Pledge

By Christine Hoffman on Saturday, July 13, 2019

Rotary International recognizes that each club is autonomous and recognizes that each club may adhere to its own traditions and customs in the offering of an invocation at club meetings. The understanding is that these rituals are nondenominational and respecting of religious convictions and faiths of all members.

Our tradition is to offer a brief invocation and pledge at the start of each meeting and this year, we will do so on a volunteer basis so that members may participate in a meeting where they know they will be in attendance. Please let Chris know if you 'd like to volunteer for an upcoming meeting!

The invocation and pledge will be offered by:

September 10--Niels Hansen
September 17---Volunteer Needed
September 24---Volunteer Needed

World Polio Day Event

By Krystal Martz on Tuesday, August 27, 2019

Join Town Center and Beaches Rotaract for the Happy Hour to #endpolionow! On Tuesday, October 22 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Whiskey Jax - Beaches, attendees will enjoy games, raffles, food and drink while knowing they are at one of the hundreds of events happening all over the world in support of the #endpolionow campaign.

Tickets are \$20/person and include 1 drink ticket, 1 raffle ticket, and appetizers.



September 9 th Board of Directors Meeting	September 10 th Rotary Weekly Breakfast Meeting September 10, 2019 Speaker: Mary Ann Christensen-Development Director Beaches Habitat Subject: Month in the life of a TV announcer as seen through the eyes of a former WTLV First Coast News reporter. Intro Bob Dinda
September 17 th Rotary Weekly Breakfast Meeting-September 17, 2019 Speaker: Club Assembly Subject: Committee Chairs to update club on plans for this Rotary Year. Clarence Hill to moderate.	September 24 th Rotary Weekly Breakfast Meeting-September 24, 2019 Speaker: Phil Shoose-Former Eastern Airlines Pilot Subject: Mr. Shoose will share his first hand experiences about being hijacked. Bob Dinda to introduce.

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Hurricane Dorian 2019 UPDATE



HURRICANE DORIAN RELIEF HOW YOU CAN HELP

Update: September 7, 2019

Our District Leadership Team, in conjunction with our Disaster Relief Committee, is in ongoing contact with the key humanitarian-relief and governmental agencies in the Bahamas. The situation is continuously changing. We are focusing on those areas where there is extensive damage and where enormous needs have been identified.

Many of our D6970 Rotarians are asking how they can assist. We are initially collecting funds through the **2019 Hurricane Dorian Relief & Recovery Assistance Program** administered by our District's IRS-qualified charitable entity: **The York Foundation** (Foundation). The Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, can accept tax-deductible contributions; and provide contributors with the receipt(s).

NOTE: Our District Funds & Procedures Committee has approved \$10,000 to match the first \$10,000 of donations made through The York Foundation for 2019 Hurricane Dorian Relief Efforts.

This is how you can make a contribution to The 2019 Hurricane Dorian Relief & Recovery Assistance Program:

I. By Check- Checks are to be made payable to: **York Foundation, Inc.** -

Send via mail to **Rotary International District 6970 | PO Box 47195 | Jacksonville, FL 32247**. Please be sure to make a notation on the MEMO line that this contribution is to be applied to- **The Hurricane Dorian Relief Effort**.. Donors of \$100 or more will receive a receipt.

Please complete the information requested below and send along with CHECK to receive a qualifying receipt for AMOUNTS OVER \$100.

Please send Receipt to _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Please acknowledge the following Rotary Club

For this contribution of \$ _____

Please call DONOR at _____ or e-mail at _____ if there are any questions regarding this contribution.

II. Electronically- Please utilize the **DONATE** link below. Tax Receipts will be sent to those donors of at least \$100; please be sure to leave your NAME and FULL MAILING ADDRESS in the COMMENT SECTION once you are in the electronic network. You may also email Office@Rotary6970.org requesting a receipt.

Click [HERE](#) to donate: [PayPal/Credit Card](#)

Questions: Please contact **Patti Chapman, Executive Secretary** at either **904.994.7355** or Office@Rotary6970.org

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THANK YOU FOR ASSISTING OUR BAHAMIAN NEIGHBORS.

*Mike Darragh
District Governor 2019-20
Rotary District 6970*

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Rotary District 6970
DISASTER RELIEF
Committee

Club Meeting

Jacksonville-Oceanside
Atlantic Beach Country Club
Tuesday at 07:30 AM

Birthdays

[Raymond F. Joseph](#)
September 10th

[Mark Allen Leininger CPA](#)
September 12th

[J. David Pesterfield](#)
September 15th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Years of Service

No Years Of Service Found

