Super Bowl Squares Game

CHECK OUT OUR GAME BOARD FOR WHO WINS IN TONIGHT'S BIG GAME!



VALENTINE'S DAY CARD FEST

SHARE SOME LOVE FOR STARLING RESIDENTS THIS TUESDAY



EVENING MEETINGS

WE'LL BE PILOTING AN EVENING MEETING EACH MONTH STARTING IN MARCH



NEXT CLUB MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AT 7:30AM
TREYLOR PARK RESTAURANT IN
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A Super Club Fundraiser for Tonight's Super Bowl Game



This is our finished game board for tonight's Super Bowl. The club raised \$500 for itself by selling squares. The other \$500 goes to tonight's jackpot winners. Thank you and good luck!

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Community Service Activity at This Week's meeting

Your Community Service Committee is hosting a "card fest" at our next regular Rotary meeting on February 14 where we'll be spending a few minutes addressing Valentine's Day cards to the folks at Starling Senior Living Center right here in Nocatee. Studies show that loneliness is a serious problem among the elderly, so please make every effort to be on hand to put a dent in that loneliness and extend our collective Rotary hearts to our nearby friends at Starling. Cards, envelopes and pens will be provided. We'll just need your personal touch so we can hand deliver a bunch of Valentine's Day cards that day to seniors who will welcome and appreciate them.



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & SPEAKERS

February 14 - Michelle Colee, Wildflower Healthcare: provides free dental & medical care to underserved St. Johns Co. residents

February 21 - no morning meeting; evening social (details below)

February 28 - Candace Burrows, New American Welcome Center: helps immigrants fully integrate into American society

March 7 - Tony Kazlauskas, MESH: fills funding gaps for homeless students in St. Johns County



Club Outing to Serenata Beach Club on February 21, 6-9pm

Rosemary Lorenz is hosting up to 20 people (club members and their spouses) to join her and her husband, Mark, at the Serenata Beach Club for dinner & drinks. RSVP to Rosemary at rmlsunshine7@gmail.com or 904-404-6760.

Evening Club Meetings

In order to try to accommodate those members who find it difficult to attend our Tuesday morning meetings, the Board has approved a once a month evening Rotary meeting on a pilot basis, beginning **Tuesday, March 28, 6:30 PM at Treylor Park.** It's hoped that these evening meetings will help keep interested members active and involved in Rotary. Stay tuned for more details on this new initiative.



Meeting Recap from February 7



Khalil Osiris addresses our club on February 7, 2023.

Prez Bob presided with a jam packed agenda and lots of guests (and potential members). Our featured speaker was Khalil Osiris, Founder and CEO of Truth and Reconciliation, a non profit devoted to supporting at-risk youth while erasing racism and gender based violence. Khalil's presentation was inspiring and powerful and certainly ties in with our evolving Rotary project to help homeless students right here in St. Johns County. Khalil has long been associated with the Nelson Mandela family and currently serves as Senior Advisor to the Mandela Foundation. You missed a good one, if you weren't able to attend.

Club Members Here & There



Dean Jones and his wife, Kelly Frank, enjoy a Sunday night out on the town with friends.



Brandon Sugg and his wife, Alyssa, announce on social media that they're expecting!



Karen Everett and her friend celebrate National Pizza Day.

Jim Huster's son, Caleb, shows off his pianothemed Valentine's Day box for school.





Mark Your Calendars

- February 18: <u>RLI, Santa Fe State College, Gainesville, 7-3:30pm</u> (your enrollment fee of \$100 to attend is reimbursed by our club; in other words, it's FREE for you to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute, RLI!)
- March 25:
 - RYLA, Act I--Youth Leadership Summit, Part I and Food Packing, Location Beachside HS, St. Augustine. 8am-4:30pm; RYLA is Rotary Youth Leadership Awards — find out more here
 - District Grants Training, Food Packing, Beachside HS, St. Augustine
 - Rotary Fellowship (Scotch & Wine Tastings), Location TBD
- March 28: District Grant Training Seminar, Zoom, TBD (mandatory training for 2023/24 District Grant Applications)
- April 15: RYLA Act II: Zoom, TBD, 9am-1pm
- May 12: District Training Assembly, Trinity Parrish/Flagler College, St. Augustine
- May 12-13: District Conference, Trinity Parrish, St. Augustine
- May 13: RYLA Act III: St. Augustine, 8-4:30pm
- May 27-31: 2023: Rotary International Convention, Melbourne, Australia



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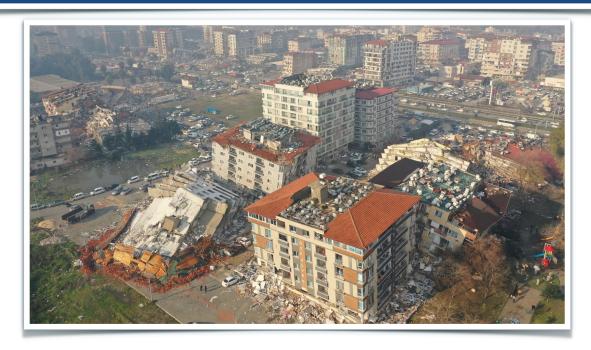








How to Help Earthquake Victims in Turkey/Syria



There are two main Rotary avenues to donate money for relief efforts in Turkey and Syria right now:

1.) Go online to the <u>District 6970 Webpage</u> and donate to our District's York Foundation. District leaders will package all the donations they receive and send them to Rotary District 2430 (which covers Turkey). You can also write a check payable to "The York Foundation, Inc." and send it to:

Rotary District 6970 York Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 47195 Jacksonville, FL 32247

- 2.) Donate to organizations in that area that fellow Rotarian (and sometime guest of our club) Raiza Kohli works with first-hand over there. Raiza says all these groups are helping earthquake victims right now:
- Karam Foundation
- Reaching Across Borders (RAB)
- Human Aid & Development (HAND)

The Latest on Our Community Service Efforts

Your Community Service Committee has had a busy year. Most recently, thanks to PV Rotarians, to assist needy kids, we packed over 150 backpacks for local non profit Blessings in a Back Pack. Going forward we have several pending projects which can always use more hands. Included in them is a project designed to support homeless youth in St. Johns County, another to provide water re-fill stations in area County Parks and still another to furnish appropriate and environmental friendly exercise equipment along Nocatee's Greenway Trail. If you would like to get involved in one or more of these exciting projects, simply contact Chair, Denny Baldwin at drbaldwin32@gmail.com, for more details. And, of course, please don't hesitate to jump in to help out our 2023 Rubber Duck Race scheduled for Sunday, May 21. It's an "all hands aboard" event and needs your help. For more details, please contact Chair Gary Smith at gary_smith1ml.com. Thanks so much. - Denny Baldwin



CLUB'S MISSION STATEMENT

To realize our club's potential through increased membership and engagement; expanded diversity, equity, inclusion and service; and enhanced fellowship and comfort.

CLUB'S VISION STATEMENT

A vibrant, diverse and inclusive Rotary club that is widely recognized for highly effective programs and projects within a framework of friendship and service.

CLUB'S CORE VALUES

Fellowship • Integrity • Diversity • Service • Leadership



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