

## Wanda Willis Speaks

Inclusion efforts  
at Cummer  
Museum



**WATER FOR  
CAMBODIA**  
PROGRESS REPORT



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The club's featured speaker on March 2, 2021, is Wanda Willis, Director of Community Engagement & Inclusion at the Cummer Museum of Art and Gardens. Willis was appointed to

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this newly crafted role more than a year ago in an effort to strengthen its ties with the community at large, focus on community outreach efforts and ensure that the museum achieves the founders's inclusive vision.

The Cummer Museum is celebrating 60 years of being a force in our community to engage and inspire through the arts, gardens and education. The Cummer's objective is to create a Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens that is inclusive, representative of this community and creates a sense of belonging.

Willis has held several roles throughout her career, with the common thread being connecting community. She has lived on the first coast of Florida for over 25 years and demonstrates her community leadership by serving on the following Boards: Women's Giving Alliance, Teach for America and the American Cancer Society. She is a graduate of Leadership Jacksonville Class of 2002 and an active member of Gamma Rho Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and currently serves as President of The Bold City Chapter of the Links, Incorporated.

She is driven by mentoring young people and helping them to connect passion with purpose and most recently served as a speaker and mentor for Jacksonville Business Journal's Monday Mentoring for professional women. In her spare time, Wanda's hobbies include reading, traveling and spending time at the beach with family.

Wanda is married to Dr. Floyd B. Willis and they have two adult children, Joy and Jackson.

## Water for Cambodia Progress Report



With great appreciation to each of our supporters, we announce both progress and a challenge. Our initial success in realizing unexpectedly high benchmarks of accomplishment was influenced in large measure by some very generous Club and individual donors.

That being the case, it makes sense for our goals for individual gifts of bio-sand water filters to be dynamic and flexible. With this in mind, the following diagram

## Things to know about birthday boy, Ian Aguilar



Ian's birthday is March 2nd. He and his wife, Nikki, have two children: Emilia and Luke. Ian loves to play basketball, tennis and golf (when his body cooperates). Ian played football while getting his undergraduate degree in economics at Colgate.

demonstrates where we presently stand in the campaign to help needy Cambodian villagers obtain clean and healthful water for their families. Just look at how far we have come! 60 Bio-Sand water filters, only fifteen shy of our new goal of 75!

Can you help us predict where we are going? If you expect to collect and donate at least one Bio-Sand water filter, email Andy Erickson at [AMERickson@aol.com](mailto:AMERickson@aol.com) with a pledge of your expected gift(s), so we will not have to wait for our Victory Celebration to learn of your generosity. In addition, we can keep the thermometer moving higher and higher!

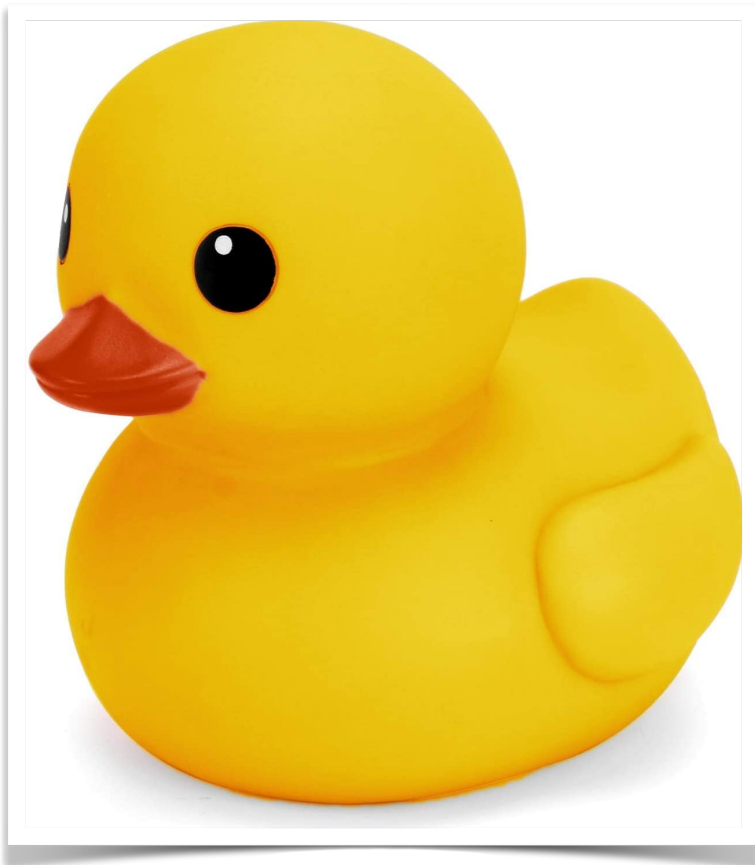
#### Save the Date!

Don't forget to fill a collection jar with loose change, bills, and/or checks to present at our Victory Celebration March 22, 2021, 5:30 PM, at the Teylor Park in Nocatee.

**Our Goal is simple – for each Rotarian to donate at least one filter for \$83.22 to help the needy villagers of Cambodia.**

## Save the Date: May 16 for Rubber Ducky Regatta

The Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra is partnering with Learn to Read of St. Johns County to present the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Rubber Ducky Regatta! The event will take place on Sunday, May 16, 2021 beginning at 12PM. Please make plans to attend.



For the first time in race history, the duckies will be dropped from the north side of the Palm Valley/Ponte Vedra (210) bridge. The ducks will waddle to the finish line opposite the Palm Valley Outdoors Bar & Grill (377 S. Roscoe Blvd., Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082, headquarters for the event). Top finishers will win fabulous prizes including multiple \$100 gift cards and four 1-way tickets from Southwest Airlines to anywhere in the United States including Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

The event raises money by encouraging people to “adopt” a duck (or group of ducks in the race). Adoption fees range from \$5 for one ducky up to \$100 for the “Quacks Galore” package of 25 duckies. You can adopt your duck(s) by going to <https://learntoreadstjohns.org/product/rubber-ducky-regatta-adoption/>. All proceeds from the event benefit Learn to Read of St. Johns County and the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra.