

**New Ideas for
New Rotary
Year
OUR CLUB'S
PRESIDENT-ELECT
SHARES HIS
THOUGHTS FOR
2022-2023**



**ROTARY MEANS
BUSINESS**
**IF YOU NEED ROOFING
WORK, LOOK TO CLUB
MEMBER LUIS MONEGRO**



**ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION RECAP**
**WHAT WE LEARNED IN
HOUSTON**



NEXT CLUB MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 21 AT 7:30AM
**TREYLOR PARK RESTAURANT IN
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President-elect, Bob Wiltfong, “spins the moon” on his finger while attending the just-completed Rotary International convention in Houston.

This July, I will take the club gavel from President MaryBeth Murray and become our new President. It’s an honor, a privilege and a huge responsibility. There is so much potential in our club, but there is also a lot of work to do to fulfill it.

To prepare for the year, I’ve attended several local Rotary Leadership Institutes (RLI) this past year, the state-wide President Elect Training Seminar (PETS), and just got back from my first Rotary International Convention in Houston (recap article below).

These events have made me aware of how lucky we are to be Rotarians. We are part of a fellowship of 1.4 million do-gooders around the world! The opportunities for each of us to serve, to develop as leaders, to make friends around the globe are tremendous.

I've also been exposed to so many great ideas. At each Rotary event I attended, I kept notes in a binder and circled the words "great idea" next to any idea that I found inspiring for our club. Below are some of those "great ideas" that I look forward to sharing with you all this upcoming year.



Bob with Rotarians from an e-Rotary club in South Africa. These folks will help our club in the coming year with efforts to establish an international service project in Africa.

CLUB SPEAKERS

Each week of every month will have a speaker theme that our Program Chair, Karen Everett, will try to book guests accordingly with. Those speaker themes will be:

- *Personal Development* (health, nutrition, finances, child rearing, retirement, etc.)
- *Service Above Self* (causes/organizations dedicated to less fortunate)
- *Rotary Means Business* (business owners, authors, inventors, entrepreneurs, media members, Rotarians sharing what they do for a living, etc.)
- *Storytellers* (speakers with great life stories or experiences to share)

We will embrace Zoom more often to book outstanding speakers we could never get in person at our club. Also, every couple of months we will book panels of speakers (rather than just solo guests) to encourage deeper

conversations on issues. As always, if you have a good idea for a club speaker (including yourself!), please let Karen know.



Club members socialize before a meeting in 2021.

MEETINGS

Let's get more social! To that end, Karen and I will schedule at least 4 social get-togethers of the club this upcoming Rotary year and 2 membership recruiting "Happy Hours." We will mix up our meeting times every once in awhile (anyone up for an evening meeting or two?!), and look to schedule joint meetings with neighboring Rotary clubs so we can all broaden our networks.

MaryBeth has done a great job of making our club meetings more fun this year. I hope to continue that effort by adding some new features to our meetings:

- *Ooh, Baby, Baby...* - I will share a baby photo of one of our members on a slide. The first club member to guess correctly who it is gets a free ticket in our Jack is Wild game.
- *2 Truths & 1 Lie* - Each month, I will share 2 Truths and 1 Lie about one of our members. If you correctly guess what the lie is, you get a free ticket in the Jack is Wild game.
- *Mystery Member* - At one meeting each month, I will designate one of our club members to be a "Mystery Member." If you do NOT greet that Mystery Member before our meeting starts, you have to pay a fine to our Jack is Wild game.
- *Rotarian of the Month* - Each month, I will designate one club member as our "Rotarian of the Month." At their assigned meeting, this member will stand and be praised for all that he/she does for our club. Furthermore, this person will have a designated "throne" that

they can sit in for that meeting and a bowl of grapes by their side that (anytime they ring a bell) we must feed them with.

Finally, we're going to do something called "Coffee Can Drawings." Every couple of weeks, club member names will be put into a coffee can and two random names will be drawn out. Those two people must make arrangements to share a coffee with each other over the ensuing two weeks and then report to the club what they learned about each other during the meeting.

SERVICE

One of my personal goals as President this upcoming year is to help our club apply for at least one District grant and one Global grant from Rotary International. Within our District, our Community Service Chair, Denny Baldwin, and I have been discussing two possible work projects that our club could execute this year. They are:

- Installing exercise stations (i.e. sit up benches) along some of the cart paths of Nocatee
- Installing water bottle refill stations at Davis Park

Both of these projects could allow our members to put some "sweat equity" into our service and place our Rotary wheel in high-traffic areas.

In addition, I am planning a trip (with my wife and kids) to Cambodia this upcoming March (coordinated with our kids' spring break from school) to help support and document our Water for Cambodia project over there. We're working with the Rotary



Club of Gainesville (who has been conducting Global Grant projects in Cambodia for years) and the Rotary Club of Pursat (in Cambodia) to get this done. And...our Sergeant-at-Arms, Linda Lomax, is fresh from a visit to Africa where she has identified a possible service project for us with a school in Victoria Falls (on the border of Zambia and Zimbabwe) in southern Africa.

And that, folks, are just *some* of the “great ideas” I want to share with you in the coming months! I’m excited. I hope you are too. Together, we’re going to do wonderful things this year. Let’s go!



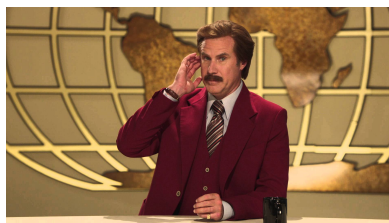
UPCOMING CLUB SCHEDULE

June 21 - Guest Speaker: Toni Chrabot of Risk Confidence Group

July 12 - Pass the Gavel Event, Maggiaoni's Little Italy Restaurant in Town Centre, 6-9pm; Spouses welcome; RSVP to Kelly Altosino-Sastre

July 19 - Guest Speaker: Mikey Ulmer, Rotary District 6970 Governor-elect, about Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

This just in...



Our club's "Write the Plan" day scheduled for this Saturday, June 18, has been canceled and will be re-scheduled for a later date.

Celebrations!



Eli Tavarez & John Richardson on their club induction day, June 1, 2021.

June 1 - John Richardson & Eli Tavarez celebrate their 1-year anniversary of being Rotarians!

June 6 - Jim & Sally Huster celebrate their wedding anniversary!

June 10 - Andy & Polly Erickson celebrate their wedding anniversary!

June 13 - Josh Hull celebrates his birthday!

June 19 - Rosemary Lorenz celebrates her wedding anniversary!



Meeting Recaps

June 7

With our President and President-elect out of town, Past President Kelly Altosino-Sastre stepped up to lead our meeting as we welcomed our guest speaker, Karen Correale, the Development/Volunteer Coordinator at St. Francis House & Port in the Storm Homeless Youth Center.

June 14

Covid forced our Past Presidents into action again as Kelly, Denny Baldwin and Andy Erickson led our club as we welcomed Dr. Tim Conway of The Morris Center as our guest speaker.



Dr. Tim Conway of The Morris Center speaks to our club on June 14, 2022.

Rotary Means Business with Luis Monegro

Luis Monegro is the founder of Effective Roofing LLC, which is a family-owned and operated roofing company serving North Florida. He founded Effective Roofing with goals of customer satisfaction and the delivery of high-quality workmanship by building long-lasting relationships and exceeding expectations.

Before devoting his work full-time to Effective Roofing, Luis served as a general roofer for many years. Luis and his team are highly trained to handle all types of roofing projects and understand the different procedures and disciplines involved in the installation of your roofing system. This experience ensures the delivery of quality work & full satisfaction. Throughout his career, he completed over 350 projects from small sized residential roofs to large commercial & industrial roofs.

In his spare time, Luis enjoys spending time with his wife Cathy and his two beautiful children, Jonathan who is 2 years old and Nathalia who is 11 months. He is a PV Rotary member, a PV Racing member, and he loves to read.



Luis would love to help you with your roofing needs! Call him at (904)-352-6431 or you can visit his website at www.EffectiveRoofing.net.



Houston, We Have a Bob-lem

Club President-elect, Bob Wiltfong, attended his first ever Rotary International Convention in Houston earlier this month. We could tell you all about it here, but why do that when you have 2-minute daily recap videos posted on our club's YouTube channel that you can watch?!

Here are the links to each video. Please like, share and subscribe to our club's channel!

Day 1 - <https://youtu.be/kNgnFTaCcYE>

Day 2 - https://youtu.be/4ErJW_Lt6r0

Day 3 - <https://youtu.be/XHiLYBjum6M>

Day 4 - <https://youtu.be/Dz0RgRDry24>

Day 5 - <https://youtu.be/3dCcEtMRn9s>



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Rotary Leadership Institute

building a better Rotary through education

Saturday, August 6th

Daytona State College...Palm Coast

At RLI, you will share discussions with newer members starting their Rotary journey. You will meet members of many years looking to expand their Rotary knowledge. You will learn the different perspectives of Rotarians from around our District, and you will have time for networking with those same Rotarians. But just remember, discussion group size is limited and registration closes on Wednesday, July 27th. Register today!

Analyzing Your Rotary Club, Service Projects, Strategic Planning, Rotary Opportunities, Effective Leadership Strategies, Service Project Grants, and Rotary History are just some of the interesting topics discussed. Plus a special Graduate Class will focus on Transforming Your Club... **Good To Great**, a lively and timely course available to all RLI Part 3 Graduates.

Join us for "In-Person" RLI . . . Saturday, August 6th
Breakfast and Sign-In 7:00 – 7:45am
Classes Scheduled from 8:00am to 3:15pm

Daytona State College
Flagler/Palm Coast Campus
3000 Palm Coast Pkwy., Palm Coast, FL 32137

\$100.00 Fee per Rotarian
includes class registration, course material and notebook, breakfast, lunch, facility fees and course completion certificate. *Note: some clubs subsidize this expense. Ask your club leadership for details.*

For more information, contact District Director Mickey Ulmer at mickey.rotary6970@gmail.com or 904-583-1032

RLI Registering Is Easy As

- 1** Simply go to the RLI website www.rlitraining.org
- 2** Tap on "Course Information" and then click the "Course Schedule" dropdown tab
- 3** Scroll to August 6th, find Palm Coast RLI, click on "More Info" and follow the prompts



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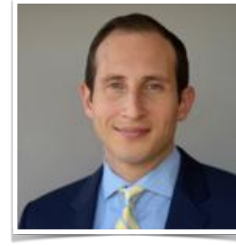
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