



# BULLETIN

## Club Meeting

New Tampa  
Meets at Currently meeting via Hybrid format (Zoom and in-person) until further notice.  
Tampa Palms Golf & Country Club  
5811 Tampa Palms Blvd.  
Tampa, FL 33646  
Time: Friday at 07:00 AM

## Events

January 12th  
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
January 19th  
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
January 26th  
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
February 2nd  
[New Tampa Weekly Club Meeting](#)

## Birthdays



Lesley S. Zajac  
January 21st



Gerry Cecci  
January 24th



Ann C. Wade  
January 31st

## Wedding Anniversaries



Karen Mess Frashier  
January 26th

## Club Leaders



Ken Guidera  
President



Alfred Allen  
President-Elect



Gerry Cecci  
Vice President



Walter Oles Jr.  
Treasurer



Matthew Palmer  
Secretary



Lesley S. Zajac  
Rotary Foundation Chair



Karen Mess Frashier  
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr  
Club Public Image Chair



Peter Paul Gambacorta  
Senior Director

## Three F's and an S

By Jozsef Toth on Thursday, July 27, 2023

Focus of Rotary International, New Tampa

**FUN, FAMILY, FELLOWSHIP, and SERVICE**

## Zoom Link for Friday Club Meetings

By Jozsef Toth on Thursday, August 17, 2023

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83781892870?pwd=WTR5RDE3b0NOWHhRTlova0JMSDFvZz09>

This does not change, so it is good every week.


## "Take Me Home, Country Roads"

Almost heaven, West Virginia  
Blue Ridge Mountains, Shenandoah River  
Life is old there, older than the trees  
Younger than the mountains, growin' like a breeze  
Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads


## Kat Schwendeman, Club Player Development Professional

**Kat Schwendeman**, Tampa Palms Country Club Player  
Development Professional.







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
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Club Strategic Planning


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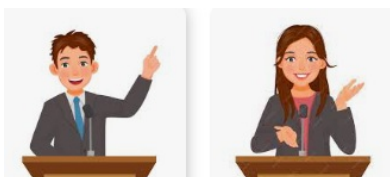


Began golf as a child, yet involvement without supportive programs for youth in her area. Moving to California after college and rediscovered her love of the sport. It helped her meet new people, and sparked her passion to provide opportunities to younger players. Kat became an LPGA Class A Professional in 2018 and joined the Invited Club, Coto de Caza Golf & Racquet Club team in Orange County, CA in 2020. Kat will share with us her career experiences with the "Crush It" program. Prior to joining the Invited Club family, Kat owned and operated a franchise called TGA Premier Junior golf in San Diego, California from 2012-2020. This franchise took golf to schools all over San Diego as an after-school enrichment program. Unfortunately, the pandemic happened, and the business ended. Kat has been in the golf industry for over a decade and no matter what has been thrown her way, she continues to live her dream of growing golf with adults & juniors and helping everyone play this lifelong sport with a fun and positive attitude. Kat moved to Florida when a family illness occurred. She transferred to Tampa Palms in 2022.

### Save the Date Friday, February 2; 10 am to 2 pm

More details coming soon.

### Speech Contest - Feb 9th



Please encourage any high school students in the area to participate in the annual Rotary Speech contest. Please speak with Colin Beach or Craig DiCecco if you have any questions. This is a great opportunity for our youth and community.

### Recent Happy Hour - Friday Jan 5



### Spring River Fest on Hillsborough River





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Assistant Governor



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**Nathan D. Marvel**  
DCO-District Comm. Officer



## News of Interest - Polio Eradication

### The Use of Solar Power in the fight to end Polio

November 20, 2023



Excerpt from [www.polioeradication.org](http://www.polioeradication.org)

Nearly 1 billion people globally are served by health care facilities that do not have regular or consistent power. Unreliable energy disrupts routine and emergency care—from running diagnostic tests to ensuring vaccines stay cold. Heatwaves, floods, and other extreme weather events cause energy disruptions, and are expected to increase. To address these challenges in the last mile of polio eradication and reduce its carbon footprint, the GPEI and partners have turned to solar power, a more affordable, reliable and climate-resilient energy source to power polio vaccination and surveillance activities.

### Solar powered vaccine refrigerators

For decades refrigerators powered by fossil fuels like kerosene or petrol were essential to maintaining vaccines at just the right temperature. Yet, these refrigerators emitted greenhouse gasses and were relatively expensive to operate, plus were vulnerable to disruptions in the national energy supply. Solar Direct Drive (SDD) vaccine refrigerators can run for days without power if needed, not only making them more dependable, but also extending the programme's reach in some of the most difficult yet critical areas to end polio.

## Rotary Club of New Tampa Mission Statement

**We promote the development of genuine friendships by helping members build their strengths to apply the ideal of "service above self." We positively impact the lives of others in our community and support Rotary International's global and service efforts.**



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## What Is Rotary?



We are 1.2 million community and business leaders who create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world. Our differing occupations, cultures, and countries give us a unique perspective. Our shared passion for service helps us accomplish the remarkable. We are people of action.

## January 2024 Message from DG Steve

By Steve Overton

There is an old expression, “Blessed are the peacemakers.” Peace and conflict resolution is one of Rotary’s seven areas of focus, and it would be good if all Rotarians, all the time, considered themselves peacemakers. There are opportunities all around us to fulfill that role, and if we are looking, we will find them. The next time a Rotarian talks out of turn, spreads a rumor, or says something that could divide us – we have a burden, a real responsibility, not to contribute to that kind of negativity.

It’s much easier to be critical, to take shots from the back of the room, and to be disgruntled, than it is to build up, to support, and encourage.

Of course, when people are involved, there will be some imperfect moments. A president whose ideas you don’t like, a fellow Rotarian you are not a fan of, or even dues you don’t want to pay.

But what’s our responsibility? To make togetherness more likely, not less. To cooperate and to promote cooperation.

To be forgiving, understanding, and accepting, realizing that folks are the way they are for a reason. And not everyone can suddenly cure themselves. After all, how are we going to be effective servants – creating hope and good in the world, if we are distracted by personality issues?

There will always be the potential for conflict. Let’s do all we can to resolve such matters, so that we can serve the greater good. That will build goodwill and better friendships and will be beneficial to all concerned.



## Let’s Focus on Membership

By Duane Williams

Monthly Membership Update from District Membership Chair  
 Duane Williams





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## DGND Selected for D6890

By Steve Overton



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## Rotary Foundation News in District 6890

By Mark Gilbert Scolnick



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## Bay Area Renaissance Festival Opportunity

The upcoming Renaissance Festival is in Dade City, Feb. 17th thru March 31st. The event offers non-profits opportunities for fundraising - either concessions, parking or group sales. It seems like a great way to showcase Rotary! This might be a good idea for a youth services fundraiser as it would take many volunteers. It's 7 weekends.

[Download the flier here if you are interested!](#)

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