

## August 22, 2022 Imaginarian Rotary is Hope

Traveling around our four-county District, on the Imagination Tour, my heart is full of *HOPE* as we celebrate the installations of new Rotarians. It was an honor to participate with Lake Wales Breakfast, Brandon Global ECO, Sun City Center, Lake Placid, Tampa Westchase and Ybor City as they welcomed new members into their fold.

Other Clubs that added new members were Hardee County, Lake Wales, Lakeland South, Lakeland Sunrise, Tampa, and USF Rotaract. In total, **25 new members** were added to our family of **Rotary** since July 1. As our membership increases, so does our *HOPE* for a global change.

In many respects, **ROTARY** is synonymous with **HOPE**.

We bring support and relief not only here, but around the world. **Rotarians** have been pivotal to global efforts for Polio eradication, and it gave us all pause when we heard of the new outbreak here in the United States. This week <u>Rotary issued a statement</u> about the outbreak that you can read in its entirety. As the release states, these recent occurrences are "**stark reminders** that as long as polio exists **anywhere**, it is a threat **everywhere**." We should all be proud that as **Rotarians** we are working hard to provide the world *HOPE* for Polio eradication.

This week, please share our message of *HOPE* with friends and colleagues. If you are a social media type, tell your audience through your platforms, about what we are doing to **END POLIO NOW**.

I heard last week at the Tampa Club Rotary meeting that we are not members of **Rotary – We are Rotarians**! We bring *HOPE* to the world through our actions.

## Say it loud and say it proud - I AM A ROTARIAN!

On behalf of your District Leadership Team We are yours in Rotary Service

Debbie Meegan District Governor 2022-2023



