

## Imaginarian October 23, 2022 The Work Continues

This week we are reminded that while we enjoy **Rotary** locally, we are part of a worldwide group of like-minded people. In our own District we are **working** steadily to support those affected by Hurricane Ian and will continue this support for the foreseeable future.

While our Clubs are engaged in service that affects their local spheres of influence, we also stretch our influence globally. We are in week two of our **Rotary Friendship Exchange** with visiting **Rotarians** from Egypt. Jillian Spangler is chairing this cultural exchange experience, and we are grateful for the countless hours that she has volunteered to make this a success.

**World Polio Day is October 24.** Rotary made a commitment in 1979 to eradicate this disease, and the **WORK** continues. We encourage you to find an activity or attend a Club meeting this week that targets polio awareness. A few are listed below, and you may want to check out [RI's website about World Polio Day programming](#). RI has an awesome, worldwide map of where events are taking place – it is worth checking out!

- ✚ 10/24 - **The Lakeland Rotary Club** is hosting “Pints To End Polio” at Swan Brewing on 10/24
- ✚ 10/24 - **Lakeland South Rotary** is hosting “Eat to Defeat Polio” at Fuzzie’s Tacos on S Florida Ave in Lakeland with a “Shots for Shots” table.
- ✚ 10/24 – **Rotary Club of Hardee County** is hosting “Let’s Freeze Out Polio” at the Wauchula Train Depot (on DACdb)
- ✚ 10/25 – The **Rotary Club of Tampa** is featuring John MacFarlane, President of PoPSyCLE, an organization that support Post-Polios Syndrome Survivors, will be speaking from Ireland via Zoom (on DACdb).

If your Club has an event to share, contact Linda Devine at [linda-rotary@ut.edu](mailto:linda-rotary@ut.edu). And, post it on DACdb so any Rotarian in our District can see it on our shared calendar.

November is a busy month filled with activities that need your support:

- 11/05 - **Brandon 86 Seafood Festival** at Rotary’s Camp Florida – Volunteers Needed
- 11/05 - **Lake Wales Breakfast Club** is hosting their 19th annual Reel ‘Em in for Rotary Fishing Tournament
- 11/11 - **Tampa Rotary’s** Flags for Hillsborough Heroes event Veterans Memorial Park from 9 to 10 am.
- 11/12 – **Westchase Rotary** hosts its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunger Project. Meal packers and donations needed!
- 11/ 15 - **Rotary Foundation Gala** in Lakeland. (Sponsors and Silent Auction items needed please! Contact PDG Mark Scolnick) Register at: <https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77626025>
- 11/24 - **The New Tampa Rotary Club’s** 10th Annual Wiregrass Turkey Trot
- 12/09 & 12/10 - **Rotary Club of New Tampa’s** Annual Cleanup at Rotary’s Camp Florida
- 03/27 - **District 6890 Imagination District Conference Cruise!** Registration is open now!  
<https://csherman.dreamvacationsgroups.com/index.html#/groups/10763769>

**JUST IMAGINE** what we as **Rotarians** can do!

Let’s **Work** together to make this a week of impact, locally and globally.

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

**Debbie Meegan**  
District Governor  
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