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Dear Rotarians,

It has been truly been my pleasure serving you and our club as President the past 12 months. Together we have achieved many great things. As a club, the work is done at the committee level, and I want to thank all of our board members, committee chairs, and volunteers for all of your hard work.

Just a few highlights from our year. We held our first World Polio Day event in October bringing together several clubs in our area to raise money and awareness for the cause. Our pancake breakfast was another great success. We had our inaugural Carols by Candlelight Fundraiser at the Savannah Center, to send kids to Camp Boggy Creek. We recognized two Lady Lake Police Officers as Local Heroes. We are in the process of chartering a Rotaract Club at Lake Sumter State College to help bring the next generation of Rotarians forward. We sponsored 4 high school students to attend Camp RYLA. We gave out thousands of dollars in scholarships to local students. We supported our local elementary school children in need with clothing, books, and educational and family support. We participated in two Habitat for Humanity projects. We had our 9th Annual Contractor's and Lifestyle Showcase at the Wildwood Community Center in February which exceeded our expectations. We did all of these things while boosting our public image by updating our RotaryCluboftheVillagesNoon.org website and had a constant presence on social media with our growing and active Facebook page.

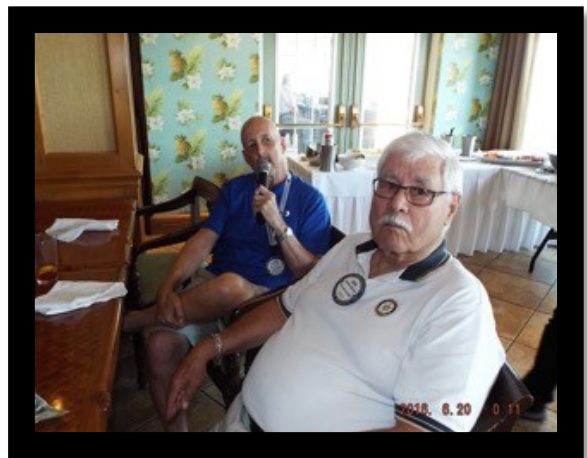
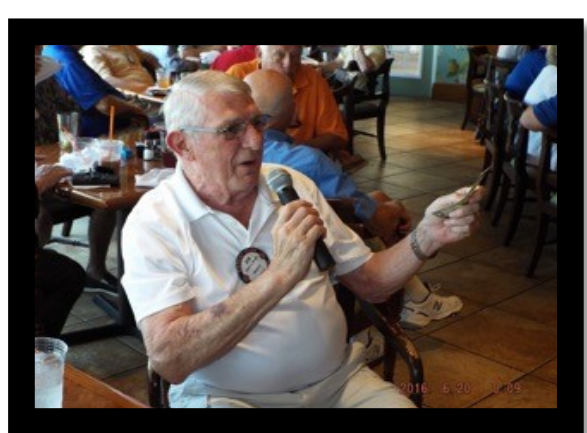
In addition, we raised a significant amount of funds for Polio and the Rotary Foundation. We were recently recognized at our district awards dinner.

Lastly I leave you with this. You get from Rotary what you put into it. As a service organization, Rotarians are people of action. Thanks for your action this year, Rotarians!

Best ,

Donny





The Four Way Test
Of the things
We think say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better Friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
5. Will it be FUN?

Make Up Opportunities:

Wildwood—Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

Lake Miona Golf Club

Villages Morning-Thursday 7:00 AM

La Hacienda Recreation Center

Bellview Rotary — Fridays 7:30 AM

Jitter café– Summerfield

Leesburg Rotary—Wednesday 12:15

Leesburg Community Center

Villages Evening — 5PM

Lake Miona Recreation Center

E-Clubs login and follow instructions:

www.rotaryclub34.org

www.rotaryclubone.org

www.rotaryclubcarolinas.org

Visit your Web Site:

www.rotaryclubofthevillagesnoon.org

Up Coming Programs

June 26 No meeting (Club Installation on The 27 th.) At The Waterfront INN AT 5:30
Note the time

Have you missed a meeting?

When was the last time you did a make up?

Attendance:

Regular& Snowbirds Members: 30

Visitors : 5

Total: 35



June Birthdays

6/9 Bill Gagnon 6/15 Harriet Miller

6/15 Donna Engen 6/17 Dice Cowger

6/20 Bruce Solow 6/21 Ken McBride

6/24 Joan MacDermid 6/24 Darlene Saul

6/25 Earlene Gagnon 6/25 Ron Pickett

06/27 Kris Kollgaard 6/30 Dennis Tobin





Noor (left) with her husband and eight children in their new tent

Building Peace

One Family At A Time

37-year-old Noor lives in the Syrian countryside with her husband and eight children in a camp for internally displaced people. The family were cattle farmers before they fled their home. They once had plenty of land and more than 50 sheep which were their main source of income. 'Our financial situation was very good,' said Noor to staff at Bahar Organisation, one of Shelter Box's partners in Syria.

The family was badly affected when ISIS took control of the area they lived in. "We suddenly lost all our sheep and furniture because of the conflict in the area. We do not have anything precious left now, and we can't start again to establish our lives. The war has crushed all our hopes," explained Noor.

With their entire livelihood gone, the family had no choice but to leave their home and move to a safer place.

"When we arrived at the camp, there were many displaced families, one family offered us a space in their tent until we got a shelter of our own.

They were very kind, we were hosted by them for a short time, then your team came and gave us tent and told us that it's our own from now on."

When they received the tent, Noor told the staff how much of a difference it made to their family, her children were especially please. "My children rejoiced a lot and they were very excited, they jumped with joy, and drew a circle on the sands around the tent and said joking, this is our house now. I felt that we were a burden on this family, so the tent came at the very right time. Thank you so much for this valuable help."

Noor's 10-year-old son Basha, spoke about his feelings towards their new home: "I am happy here, and I currently have new friends, me and my family also have our own tent, and my dad said that we will have some blankets and mattresses soon, so everything is good."



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ShelterBox USA

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Dear Rotary Club of the Villages-Noon,

Thank you for your recent donation to ShelterBox USA. We appreciate your support of our efforts for the Lake Chad Basin. Without incredible support from clubs like yours, we cannot provide shelter and hope to families whose lives have been devastated by disaster. I've attached a recent story of impact to share how your dollars are making a difference.

If you would like to announce your donation in your local media outlets, I have included a press release sample. Highlighted areas are for customization.

Please reach out to me with any questions. Thank you again for your generous support to help people in need around the world.

In gratitude,

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You can be proud of the work you do, when you contribute to the Rotary Club of the Villages Noon. This is one of the Projects that we contribute to with your dollars, when you participate with your Rotary Club, your dues go to pay administrative cost , Happy Dollars and other funds raised, go toward projects like this as well as scholarships .

Don't be a "RINO" Rotarian in name only .

Health Update

Arthur Strucklen is back in the hospital , call first if you are going to visit him. Bud Mangels is undergoing procedures right now, lets keep both Art and Bud in our thoughts and prayers.



If you are not feeling well or are going in the hospital for any reason Or even a member of the family, let us know!!!

We are family and we do care.

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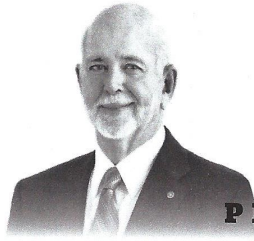
The Pot Grows and the cards diminish, so if you want to miss a meeting, go ahead, that gives the rest of us a better chance to win.

There are only 42 cards on the table, that is all that is left between you and the pot. Today the draw was not the Joker, the Joker is waiting for you to start over again next week.



Over \$196.00 up still up for grabs





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear fellow Rotarians,

One year ago, your Rotary International Board of Directors adopted a new vision statement, reflecting our aspirations for our organization and its future. It reads, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

That simple sentence distills so much of what is essential about Rotary. We **unite**, because we know that we are far stronger together than we could ever be alone. We **take action**, because we are not dreamers, but doers. We work to **create lasting change** that will endure long after our involvement has ended – **across the globe** and **in our communities**. And perhaps most important of all, we work to create change **in ourselves** – not just building a better world around us, but becoming better people ourselves.

A quotation attributed to French writer Antoine de Saint-Exupéry goes: "If you want to build a boat, don't begin by collecting wood, cutting boards, or assigning tasks. Begin by awakening in the souls of your workers a longing for the vast and boundless sea." Each of us came to Rotary because we had a longing – to have an impact, to make a difference, to be part of something larger than ourselves. That desire, that vision for a better world and our role in building it, is what drives us in Rotary. It's what made us become members, it's what motivates us to serve, and it's what led me to choose our theme for this Rotary year: *Be the Inspiration*.

I want to see Rotary *Be the Inspiration* for our communities by doing work with a transformational impact. It's time to start moving forward, by removing the barriers that are holding us back. Let's make it easier to make adjustments in our clubs or start new clubs that suit different needs. Let's work to strengthen Rotaract and smooth the transition from Rotaract clubs into Rotary. Let's give all Rotarians the flexibility to serve in the ways that work best for them, so that every Rotarian finds enduring value in Rotary membership.

Truly sustainable service, the kind of service we strive for in Rotary, means looking at everything we do as part of a larger global ecology. This year, I ask all of you to *Be the Inspiration* for sustainable service by addressing the impact of environmental issues on our work. The environment plays a key role in all six of our areas of focus, and that role is only becoming greater as the impact of climate change unfolds. It's time to move past seeing the environment as somehow separate from those six areas. Clean air, water, and land are essential for healthy communities – and essential for the better, healthier future we strive for.

Be the Inspiration – and together we can, and we will, inspire the world.

BARRY RASSIN

President, Rotary International

There will be a sign up sheet at our next Regular meeting.



38TH NATIONAL VETERANS WHEELCHAIR GAMES



WHAT?

Attracting more than 600 athletes each year and 4,000 volunteers, the National Veterans Wheelchair Games is the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world. A multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for military service Veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations or other neurological disorders.

WHEN & WHERE?

JULY 29 – AUGUST 4, 2018

All events will take place in the Orlando area.

WHY?

The Orlando VA Medical Center and Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida Chapter are committed to improving the quality of life for Veterans with physical disabilities and fostering better health through sports and recreation. Over the years, the Games have produced a number of national and world-class champions. However, the event provides the opportunity for newly disabled Veterans to get involved and push further than they thought possible. Typically, one quarter of the competitors are new to the Games.

OUR EVENTS:

Competitive events at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games include swimming, table tennis, weightlifting, archery, air guns, basketball, boccia, nine ball, softball, quad rugby, bowling, handcycling, trapshooting, wheelchair slalom, power soccer, a motorized wheelchair rally, and track and field. Athletes compete in all events against others with similar athletic ability, competitive experience, or age.

Free. The public is most welcome.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

www.wheelchairgames.org/volunteers

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