

## Rotary Club of the Villages - Evening

# Evening Edition

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BE THE INSPIRATION

### A Solid Foundation

Everybody knows that you can't **build** a great building on a weak foundation, and you can't sustain a great building without keeping the foundation strong. The same thing can be said about great organizations like Rotary International.

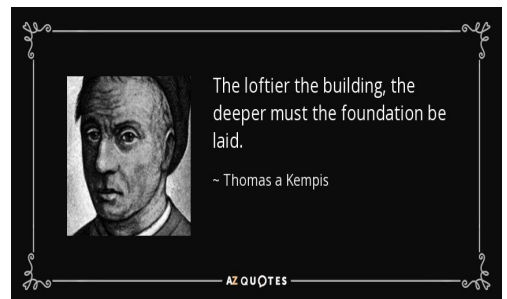
This is why Rotary District 6980 is planning to raise \$1,000,000 in **bequests** in 2018/19 to benefit The Rotary Foundation and its programs internationally and here in the United States.

Rotarians often ask District Foundation Chair Jo Weber ***Why should I give to The Rotary Foundation?***

For Jo Weber, the answer is simple, ***"To Do Good In The World."*** This is the motto of The Rotary Foundation.

Over the past four years, Rotarians have donated over \$1.2 million to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund Share program and over \$132,000 to Polio Plus.

When asked what the Foundation has done with this money, Weber replies, "In the District Grant area: we sent over 100 students to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, over 50 Rotary Youth Exchange students, thousands of Dictionaries to 3rd Grade students, supported local food pantries, given local scholarships, school computers, human trafficking program, bullying programs, dental assistance, rehab the Boy Scout camp, and worked on Habitat for Humanity.



In the Global Grant area: Multiple Cleft Lip and Palate assistance saving hundreds of children, Building a one room school house, Multiple Water well projects, Gift of Life programs, Medical Equipment for Cleft Lip and Palate operations, Incubators, Clean water projects, Aquaponics projects, Training labs, Medical Equipment for Eye Surgeries and Peace Scholarships."

District 6980's \$1,000,000 bequest campaign will be concentrated on garnering bequests of \$10,000 or more, qualifying contributors as members of the Foundation's Bequest Society.

## This Week's Program



*Four-in-One member Nancy Yerkey did the Reflection, but she also was the Greeter, and led the Set-up and Clean-up operations for the evening*

*Dusty Rhodes presents a Rotary minute on our club's motto*



Our program this week featured local historian and Curator of the "Lake County Historical Museum, Robert Grenier. Mr. Grenier gave an enthusiastic and informative talk on historical events in our area. The Chicago native provided us with an in-depth look at the Museum in Tavares as he



regaled us with many stories about significant moments in our distant past. Did you know, for example, that Lake County was the first county in the nation to fly it's own flag! Mr. Grenier lamented the

current reductions in funding for museums and warned that we must never 'hide' our history, even when it may not be pretty.

The Lake County Museum is located at 317 W. Main Street in historic Tavares. Check it out at [lakecounty1887@yahoo.com](mailto:lakecounty1887@yahoo.com) and plan your visit.

## Visitors & Guests

### Guests:

Bob Grenier, guest speaker  
Susan Knutson, prospective member

## Foundation (cont.)

Contributions to any of the following programs will be credited toward the \$1,000,000 effort:

- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Contributions to numbered Global Grants
- Polio Plus
- Designated insurance proceeds as well as other programs.

Our club has done well in supporting the foundation in the past, but we need to continue to shore up the Foundation if we are to have a sustainable future.

If you are interested in being part of our \$1,000,000 effort, please contact Dick Phoebus at [rphoebussr@hotmail.com](mailto:rphoebussr@hotmail.com) {301 991-1850}

## Service Above Self

### Comfort Bags for Cancer Society:

Sept 26 is the next Hands On Project: Comfort Bags for Cancer Society. Items needed for 75 more bags include: 75 Mini Kleenex packs, 75 Udderly Cream - this brand is carried at Dollar Tree by Kohls on 441, 75 travel toothpaste/brushes, 50 Puzzle Books , 50 Puzzle Book labels, bulk amount of either peppermint or butterscotch hard candies. Thanks in advance to the sewing brigade and all who provide the items.

### Spreading the Word:

After you have read The Rotarian magazine please bring your copy to club meeting where you will find a collection box. The Service Project Committee wants to put them out in offices in the Summerfield area.

## Notes and Announcements

### District Governor Visit

On Wednesday, September 12th, we are scheduled to have a visit from our new District Governor, Ron Janssen who will tell us about his vision for the year: [see last week's newsletter]

### Dominican Republic Trip in February, 2019.

For more information or to express your interest in going, contact Sue Bodenner at (616) 433-5400 or sbodenner@gmail.com.

### 14th Annual Taste of Class!

Sunday, September 23, 2018 from 6pm - 9pm  
Savannah Center, 1575 Buena Vista Blvd,  
Business Attire / Black Tie Optional  
Tickets: \$75 Donation Per Person  
(10 Seats Per Table)  
For tickets contact

Jack Davis: (352) 232-1226 or  
Glynda Rogers: (352) 787-6304  
Villages Rotary Club Morning

### Club Fundraiser:

**Private Polo BBQ and Mercedes Car Show**  
**10AM-1PM, on October 20th**  
**See Pat Cronenberg for tickets**

### OPEN HOUSE

**Harbour View Elementary School**  
**September 6th, 5:00-6:00pm**  
**Volunteers in Rotary Shirts needed**  
**Please be there by 4:30PM**  
**Contact Sue Bodenner**

### Rotary Golf

Our club played Walnut Grove at 9:53am on August 27th.

Email Dusty by 8pm on Thursday, if you want to play next week [ritadusty@comcast.net]



"Kenny would like to use his sandbox!"

## Service Above Self (cont.)

### Supporting Cancer Research:

Hollywood Spooktacular Benefit Dance  
October 30 6:00-8:00 PM. We have already filled 3 tables (of 8 each) signed up to support this fundraiser. See President Tim for details.

### Youth Service Committee :

The Youth Service Committee will meet next Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 4:00 pm in the Reliance Room at the Lake Miona Regional Recreation Center. Any club member interested in youth service is welcome to attend.

The agenda will include a discussion of our current scholarship program at SSHS and whether any changes thereto might be appropriate. The input of seasonal residents who cannot attend the committee meeting is also welcome. Our club presently offers a \$2,000.00 Interact Club Scholarship which barely covers tuition, fees and books for one semester at a community college. Changes to be considered might include increasing the scholarship to an amount sufficient to cover tuition, fees and books for one full year or offering multiple smaller scholarships.

Anyone wishing to provide input to the committee is welcome to attend, or email Tom Reed, Chair, Youth Service Committee at [reedtg3@comcast.net](mailto:reedtg3@comcast.net)

### Want to help build Goodwill and better friendships?

We have a request from a visually-impaired single woman in The Villages who needs help moving. Most of her things are already packed but she still needs a little help putting things in boxes and plastic containers. She is at 17471 SE 82nd Pecan Terrace in Piedmont and the Waverly Villas. A few volunteers are needed on Friday, September 7th, to help with the move.

If you can help, let President Tim know.

## Rotary After Hours

One of the fellowship activities our club enjoys is members getting together after our regular meeting to enjoy dinner at various local restaurants. All members, guests and significant others are invited to join us. Kay Roth has volunteered to handle the reservations. Email her at [kayroth@rothconsulting.Net](mailto:kayroth@rothconsulting.Net), if you will be attending the dinner.

Sept 5th	Francesca's, Summerfield
Sept 12th	Evans Prairie Country Club

## Assignments

### Greeter

Sept 5th	Kay Roth
Sept 12th	Pat Roam
Sept 19th	Dusty Rhodes
Sept. 26th	Nancy Yerkey

### Set Up

Sept 5th	Yori Okuda
Sept 12th	Gay Ratcliff-Seamens
Sept 19th	Martha Freidman
Sept. 26th	Nancy Yerkey

### Reflection

Sept 5th	David Newell
Sept 12th	Gay Ratcliff-Seamens
Sept 19th	Karen Jasniewski
Sept. 26th	Nancy Yerkey

### Clean Up

Sept 5th	Pat Roam
Sept 12th	Gay Ratcliff-Seamens
Sept 19th	Pat Cronenberg
Sept. 26th	Nancy Yerkey

## You are Invited...

### **OPEN HOUSE AT HARBOUR VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SEPT 6 5PM-6PM. .**

We need two Rotarians for the Book Fair and two Rotarians at the PTO table! No experience necessary Please plan to arrive between 4-430 PM. We should be able to leave shortly after 6 pm.

***This is ...a black shirt event!***

Thank you,  
Sue

### **Newsletter**

You are invited to submit items (including photos) for the newsletter All items must be received by Thursday at noon each week. Send them to [dnewell965@gmail.com](mailto:dnewell965@gmail.com)

Your help is appreciated.

David

## Schedule of Meetings & Events

### Meetings

Sept 5th	Jack Ciotti, Brits in our Civil War
Sept 12th	Ron Janssen, District Governor
Sept 19th	Sallie Kautz - Nat'l DAR
Sept 26th	Hands-on Comfort Bags

### Events

Sept 12th	District Governor Visit: Ron Janssen
Oct 20th	Private Polo /Mercedes BBQ
Oct 30th	Cancer Center Dance

### Committee Meetings (4:pm)

Sept 5th	Youth Service
Sept 12th	Board Meeting
Sept 19th	Foundation

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