



The Villages - Evening  
**Rotary**  
Club



Evening Edition  
July 7, 2021

## Meet Our New Club President



Born in California, but being a Navy brat, Julie lived in 5 more states by the time she was 10 years old. At that time, she moved to Arlington, Virginia, where she spent the rest of her childhood. After attending George Mason University, Julie married, John, moved to St. Louis, and raised two children, a son, and a daughter. Working part-time while raising her kids gave Julie opportunities to work in a variety of fields including legal secretary, computer programming, accounting software, database management, and word processing. Eventually she was able to put all those acquired skills to good use at a local chain of gourmet food and wine stores. She spent the next 25 years there helping it grow from one small store to a chain of 4 large stores and a restaurant.

Since retiring to The Villages in 2010, Julie and John have indulged in lots of travel, both domestic and international. She has served as Secretary, Vice President (3 years), and President of her neighborhood social club and continues to manage their directory and email services.

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## This Week's Meeting

This week saw the debut of our new president as she starts of the new Rotary year. Continuing the tradition Gay R. started, she informed us that it was Dive Bar Day, Strawberry Sundae Day, Global Forgiveness Day, and World Chocolate Day. In celebration for World Chocolate Day she passed out Hersey Chocolate Bars.

This was followed by Dusty R. leading us in the pledge and Rich T. giving the reflection. Mike G. then collected Happy/Sad with some

dollars acknowledging President Julie's first time at the podium, and Norm D. gloating about the Red Sox being back on top of their division.

President Julie then talked about one of her goals for her year, membership. She encouraged all of us to invite a neighbor, or friend to one of our meetings to experience what our club is about. She also suggested we reach out to members of other clubs that we belong  
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## President (*Continued from page 1*)

Julie makes no secret of the fact that she is happiest in her kitchen. While she would never claim to be a gourmet cook, she is an adventurous one, always looking for a new recipe to try. Her second favorite place to be is in her garage making sawdust. Julie is most proud of the fact that after years of working with power tools, She still has all my fingers intact.

Being President of Rotary Club of The Villages - Evening will be a new and challenging adventure. Already it is taking her way out of my comfort zone but is hanging on for the full ride! Woo hoo!

### Highlights from President Julie's Plan for 2021-2022

- To be the Rotary Club of Choice in The Villages.
- To streamline the overall function and services of our club and to engage every member.
- To complete at least two fundraising events.
- To have at least 90% of our club members contribute at least \$25.00 to a Rotary Foundation program.
- Bring In at least four new members and have them complete orientation and the S.T.A.R program
- Continue to support the South Sumter Interact club by attending at least six meetings.
- Ensure that all projects are effective, engage our members, and fall within one of Rotary's Areas of Focus and/or the RI President's theme.
- To continue to provide excellent programs at weekly meetings.
- Increase fellowship opportunities outside of meeting times.
- Streamline leadership positions and create a club "Operations Manual".

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To foe new members.

Our speaker for the evening was Bob Inglis, Executive Director of RepublicEn. A member of Congress for 12 years and after leaving went full-time into promoting free enterprise action on climate control.

The EcoRight, is a balance to the Environmental Left. They believe in the power of American free enterprise and innovation to solve climate change.

They help conservatives navigate the treacherous climate conversation with confidence.

Nobody should sacrifice their conservative values to protect the environment and our future. Climate change is a threat to America's environment, national security, economy, agri-

culture, and people. The world must come together quickly to enact durable, economy-wide solutions to climate change.

There are three ways to fix climate change

- **Regulations** are not effective because they would only effect American companies. Most likely, regulated firms would move their manufacturing to countries that don't regulate.
- **Incentivizing** Incentives can work in a rich country like America The challenge is that the market is so small for, say, power production equipment, that costs never come down enough for poorer countries to afford the cleaner technology.

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**Polio Eradication Update**

Today, the wild virus is still being seen in Pakistan and just one other country – Afghanistan. Five out of six world regions are wild polio-free

Afghanistan

- There still has still been only one wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) case reported in 2021 while the total number of 2020 cases remains at 56.
- The number of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) cases for 2021 totals to 38. There were 308 cVDPV2 cases reported in 2020.

Pakistan

- There still only one type 1 reported in total number remains at
- One WPV1 positive environmental sample was reported in Sindh.
- There are eight cases of vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) so far in 2021. The number of 2020 vaccine derived cases remains at 135.



has still been wild poliovirus (WPV1) case 2021. The total of 2020 cases 84.

These aforementioned recent results should be VERY ENCOURAGING and fully justify the continued push that Rotary and its partner organizations are making to end Polio world-wide.

In addition to the \$28,600 of DDF given by our district to Polio Plus, 29 clubs in our district have giving a total of over \$17,891 cash to Polio Plus as of end of June, 2021. Our clubs have exceeded their combined goal to raise over \$15,640 to eradicate Polio!

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- **Pricing** The small-government solution to climate change is **simple accountability**. Make all polluters accountable for the impacts of emissions by putting a price on those impacts. Self-interest and good economics would drive innovation- The pricing-in of emissions can be accomplished by a **carbon tax**. This tax would be paired with a dollar-for-dollar reduction in existing taxes or a dividend of all of the carbon tax revenue back to the citizenry, making it *revenue-neutral*. The tax would be applied to imports coming from countries that didn't have the same price on carbon dioxide, making it *border-adjustable* Since countries around the world want to sell products into the American market, the whole world would follow America's lead. There would be no need for an international agreement; no bowing and scraping at the United Nations; no prolonged negotiations; just a bold move by the United States.



*Two weeks ago members of our club delivered school supplies collected at Staples to Stanton-Weirsdale Elementary School*

*Tim T. picked up 100 more boxes of school supplies 50 of which were donate by Staples to go to Harbour View and Stanton-Weirsdale.*



## Officers & Directors 2021-2022

### Officers

President

Julie Schmied

President Elect

Sue Bodenner

President Elect Nominee

Open

Secretary

Martha Friedman

Treasurer

Tim Treat

Past President

Gay Ratcliff-Seamens

### Directors

Club Service

Dusty Rhodes

Foundation

Cindy Ivy

Membership

Gay Ratcliff-Seamens

Public Image

Sue Bodenner

Service Projects

Gay Davidson

Youth Services

Karl Keri

Club Positions

Sergeant-at-Arms

Dusty Rhodes

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms

Open

Assistant Treasurer

Open

Assistant Secretary

Open

Programs

Jim Bodenner

## Guests

Cary Sparr

Bob Inglis (Speaker)

## News and Announcements Fellowship

Nest week's after meeting fellowship dinner will be held at VKI Japanese Steak Houswat 7:00pm. If you want to go please contact Martha F. at marthaha.k.friedman@gmail.com or 303-725-7852.

## 50/50

Time to think about doubling up on your purchase of 50/50 tickets. For \$10.00 you can get 25 tickets. We are down to 17 cards, one of which is the Ace of Clubs (the winner) and the pot is over \$600.00. As they say for the New York Lottery, "you can't win if you don't play."

## Fundraising Committee

The committee held it's first meeting to start planning for our Tech Expo. The committee will be meeting the first Wednesday of each month at 3:00 prior to our regular meeting. This will be an "all hands on board" event and all are invited to come to the committee meetings to help out.

## Financials

At our meeting this coming Wednesday President Julie will discuss our clubs financials. This is a great opportunity to learn about where your money goes. It is also a chance to ask questions and make suggestions regarding the handling of our money. Remember, it is up to the Board of Directors to determine how the money is spent, but any suggests will be considered.

Currently we are conducting "hybrid" meetings every Wednesday **starting at 5:00pm**. You can attend in person at Lake Miona (face mask optional and Villages ID required), or join by ZOOM.

**Meeting ID 291 972 2411 and Password 84594**

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## Meetings

Jul 7th Club Finances

## Committee Meetings

Jul 14 Board of Directors Meeting

Jul 28 Service Projects

## Event

Mar 19th Tech Expo