



# Rotary in Action

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### REVIEW & PREVIEW...

**Last Week:** Mike Mastando, Orlando Apollos Football  
**This Week:** Eric Golub, Using Humor for Better Advocacy and Unity  
**Next Week:** Kelly Trace, Headquarters, a high-tech entrepreneur hub

### DATE FOUNDATION GIFT

3/27	Mary Cox
4/3	Bill Folsom
4/10	Cristina Rabago

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**March 28 Bylaws Committee Meeting**– Mehrlich's-6:00 p.m.  
**April 5 Rotary 1<sup>st</sup> Friday**–Susan's Courtside Café – 5:30 p.m.  
**April 9 Board of Directors Meeting** – Council on Aging – 6:00 pm  
**April 13 Knittery** – Cristina Rabago's House – 2:00 p.m.  
**5/4 District Assembly** – Apopka High School – 8:00 a.m.  
**5/24-5/25 District Conference** –Marriott Orlando World Center  
**10/26 Kissimmee Bay Rotary 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night & Auction**



### THE FOUR-WAY TEST



Of the things we think, say or do  
 Is it the TRUTH?  
 Is it FAIR to all concerned?  
 Will it build GOOD WILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?  
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### \$\$ Reminder - Outstanding Balances Due \$\$

Many members have unpaid invoices for dues and meals. The current quarter ends on March 31 and all balances should be paid by that date. We can accept credit card payments for these balances if this is more convenient for you. If you need a current statement, please let our Treasurer know.

### Welcome to All of Our Visitors Today

We are glad that you joined us and hope to see you again soon. Please be sure to provide us with your email address so we can be in touch with you about all the great and exciting moments in Rotary.

### Happy Anniversary

Lisa & Jeff Goldmacher – March 31

### Rotary Anniversary

Bill Folsom – April 1, 1997 – Charter Member



### Knittery on April 13

It's time again to get together to knit and crochet hats for colder days for the homeless in our county. Whether you are experienced or a novice at this type of project, you are welcome. We can teach you!!

Men don't need to stay away. There is always good food and plenty to drink so bring your wife or girlfriend and socialize with us for the afternoon. You do not need to be a Rotarian to knit hats!! ☺

Mark your calendar for April 13 at 2:00 p.m. at Cristina & Alex Rabago's home.

### Rotary's Ongoing Commitment

For more than 110 years, Rotary members have been addressing challenges around the world.

Rotary members have not only been present for major events in history — we've also been a part of them. Three key traits have remained strong throughout our history:

We're truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Today, members in nearly every country work to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

We persevere in tough times. During World War II, Rotary clubs in Austria, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Spain were forced to disband. Despite the risks, many continued to meet informally, and after the war, Rotary members came together to rebuild their clubs and their countries.

We're committed to service, and we're not afraid to dream big and set bold goals. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only three countries — down from 125 in 1988.

**Fluid Approach to Water**  
 By Ryan Hyland  
 (segments of article from *The Rotarian*)



The lack of access to clean water, sanitation facilities, and hygiene resources is one of the world's biggest health problems — and one of the hardest to solve.

Rotary has worked for decades to provide people with clean water by digging wells, laying pipes, providing filters, and installing sinks and toilets. But the biggest challenge has come after the hardware is installed. Too often, projects succeeded at first but eventually failed.

...Rusted water pumps and dilapidated sanitation facilities are familiar sights in parts of Africa, South America, and South Asia — monuments to service projects that proved unsustainable. A 2013 review by independent contractor Aguaconsult cited these kinds of issues in projects Rotary carried out, and the review included a focus on sustainability to help plan more effective projects.

That's one factor in why Rotary has shifted its focus over the past several years to emphasize education, collaboration, and sustainability.

With Rotary Foundation global grants, a dedicated Rotarian Action Group, and a partnership with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), Rotary's water, sanitation, and hygiene, or WASH, programs are achieving greater, longer-lasting change.

"All Rotary water and sanitation projects are full of heart and well-intentioned, but many of them didn't always meet the actual demands of the community," says F. Ronald Denham, a founding member and chair emeritus of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group. The group, formed in 2007, stresses a needs-based approach and sustainability in projects.

In the past, equipment and facilities were usually installed properly and received well, but the local ownership, education, and sustainability were sometimes lacking. Communities often did not receive enough support to manage the projects independently for the long term.

....."Clubs need to better engage with the community, its leaders, and professional organizations," Denham says. "More important, we need to understand the needs of the community. We can't assume or guess what's in their best interest."

The community should play a part in choosing which problems to address, thinking of the resources it has available, finding solutions, and making a long-term maintenance plan.

No project is successful, Denham says, unless the local community ultimately can run it.

Read entire story at <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-water-programs-shift-focus-education-and-sustainability>

**Save the Date for District Assembly**  
**May 4 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Apopka High School**  
 District Assembly is essential to Board Officers and Directors to understand your role and responsibilities for the upcoming Rotary year. It is also very informative to the general membership and we encourage everyone to attend. You can register now on the District portal and select the class for the club position you will fill next year. There is no cost to attend.

**Don't Miss the District Conference in May**  
 2019 District 6980 Annual Conference  
 Marriott Orlando World Center, Orlando  
 Conference: May 24-25, 2019  
 Major Donor Reception: May 23, 2019  
 Registration: No Charge Parking: \$20.00 per day  
 Hotel: \$133.00 plus tax per night  
 Meals / Events:  
 Friday Lunch only: \$50.00 Friday Reception only: \$25.00  
 Saturday Lunch only: \$55.00 Saturday Dinner Event: \$95.00  
 Early Bird All-In Package: \$195.00 by March 30, 2019.  
 \$225.00 after March 30, 2019

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**INTERACT INSIDER**

**PATHS - Professional and Technical High School**  
 Advisor – Ms. Andrea Darsch  
 Meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 10:30 a.m. at the school. Kissimmee Bay Rotarians are welcome to attend.  
 Please contact advisor Andrea Darsch and schedule a meeting to attend. She can be contacted by calling the school.

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**KBay Rotary:** [www.kbayrotary.com](http://www.kbayrotary.com)  
**District 6980:** [www.rotarydistrict6980.org](http://www.rotarydistrict6980.org)  
**Rotary International:** [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

The Rotary Club of Kissimmee Bay Meets at:  
 Kissimmee Bay Country Club  
 2801 Kissimmee Bay Blvd., Kissimmee 34744  
 Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.  
 Mailing Address:  
 P.O. Box 420225, Kissimmee, FL 34742-0225

**ABRIDGED MAKE-UP SCHEDULE**

E-Club Make-up: [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)  
**Monday**  
 Kissimmee 12:10 p.m. Council on Aging  
 Lake Nona 6:00 p.m. Valencia College-Lake Nona  
**Tuesday**  
 Lake Nona Lunch 11:45 a.m. Ronald McDonald House  
**Thursday**  
 St. Cloud 7:15 a.m. St. Cloud Women's Club  
**Friday**  
 Celebration 7:00 a.m. Celebration Health  
 Kissimmee West 7:00 a.m. Florida Hospital-Kissimmee,  
 Poinciana 7:45 a.m. Poinciana Medical Center-  
 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays