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## Rotary - Club Meeting Notes March 4, 2026

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Dear Frank ,

What a fabulous meeting we had this evening — energy, synergy, lots of togetherness—and we also welcomed a new member, Cathy Julian!

**Members Present:**

Jennifer L, Nicola B, Jackie S, Jennifer W, Carol S, Cathy J, Dee K, Tammy W, Christine W, Lenora M, Carolyn Z, Frank, B, Carr H and Stephen H

**We missed:** Rebecca S and Karen L

**Guest:** Deanna Fusco, a graphic designer who has lived in AZ for 30 years and has been relocated to FL for 4 years — Let's make Deanna feel welcome.

Delighted that **we inducted Cathy Julian** this evening. Cathy's business is the Legend Aviation Academy, in addition to other businesses. She shared with us the Sun & Fun Event that her business will be on April 18 — mark your calendars to support the event. Welcome, Cathy — we are all thrilled you have joined our club.

**Club Speaker:** Jennifer Williams, who is founder of Global Pathway Studies and GPS 4 Vets. She provides career certificate training and resources for VETS. She collaborates with other agencies so that VETS can network — spouses are always welcome. Networking is down in St Petes and Downtown Tampa. Jennifer said that for many veterans, their first job out of the military lasts about 6 months. Jennifer's board recognized this and they developed a plan to certify companies so that the right company fit can be made so that VETS can be HIRED and RETAINED. The suicide rate for VETS is 44 per day — company training is available to spot the signs. Jennifer's company secures funding for scholarships so that relevant career training can be given as a marketable skill. Jennifer's aim is to give people purpose. There is an upcoming golf tournament if you wish to support and on June 20th there is a 70s Disco Dance Party — more info to follow.

**Events**

1. YMCA VIP Event — March 5th — \$50 per person, 80s theme — see Jennifer L or Stephen H for tickets and information.
2. Mother's Day Basket — will be complete with items by April 1st, then we will sell tickets. \$10 for 1 or 3 for \$25. Value over \$250. Frank will make flyers and social media materials for the website. Tickets will be drawn on May 6th.
3. April 11 - Vibrant Club Summit at PHSC — new members encouraged. Register on the DACdb. If you attend, half your fees will be returned to you.
4. April 11 - Walk for Life: fundraiser for A New Generation. Volunteers needed for the morning of the event — see Nicola. Register to become a walker/donor on this link: <https://donors.anewgen.org/walk-for-life/>
5. Remember the clocks go forward this weekend!
6. May Community Service — looking to attend an assisted living facility or nursing home.
7. Art in the Park — reach out to Assistant Governor, Lauren, if you would like to participate (her number is on the DACdb).
8. Jackie has a series of cruises available — check them out — great value.

On March 18 we will have a Board Meeting for the Mental Health Initiative at 4:00PM - anyone is welcome — they do not have to be a Rotarian — please spread the word. Regular meeting afterward.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting — reach out if you have any questions about events or activities.

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