

# The Vorthern Light A publication of the Rotary Club of Dunedin North



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Our club welcomes all visitors. Why not join us either by zoom and in person on Wednesday mornings?



## **SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

#### **MEETING TIME/LOCATION:**

7:30-8:30 am on Wednesdays Dunedin Golf Club, 1050 Palm Blvd.

#### **MAILING ADDRESS:**

PO Box 307, Dunedin, FL 34697 The Rotary Club of Dunedin North (Club #4270) was chartered on November 21, 1971.

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### Meeting Notes from August 11, 2021—Sherrie Davis Kinkead

We had one guest, **Tom Stevens**, (Angie Eisele, who sang his praises last week). Teresa told about cautioned us not to fear the unknown before giving the invocation, and Michael Smith led us in the *Pledge*. Zoomers were few, in fact, none.

HAPPY BUCKS: Michael Smith reported that PP Mark has a condo on the beach and Kert added, on the bottom floor, close enough to water that he can cast from his couch. Edie Wiseman explained her absence from club meetings was due to renovating her 61-yr-old house on the river in Inverness. George Ann Bissett said nice to be here and welcome everyone. Dr. Bill Huntley's #1 and #3 daughters hit the road to Albuquerque, where daughter #1 will live. Bill also reminded us that if our cornhole tourney was not enough entertainment that weekend, we could head to the Central FL Peanut Festival in Williamston on the Saturday before. Jay LeFebvre oldest daughter is impregnated with two babies — better catch up on your sleep now, Jay! Sherrie Davis Kinkead called the night before and listened twice to be sure she was not needed for jury duty today. Priscilla Hoag was just happy to be here. Welch Agnew cheered that the Rays have won 5 in a row and are ahead of Boston. Then he pitched Rotary Rays Day on 9/19 (see more about that in the newsletter). Jay Pitts report son Jimmy is still alive in Navy boot camp, but may not be for long as his TWO girlfriends found out about one another; Jay and his daughter made a trip to the Keys during the lobster mini-season and rather than finding a restaurant that served fresh lobster, their dive boat showed them how to catch lobster fresh

from below... and they did! **Doug Oppenheimer** is headed to Hagerstown, MD, to see his daughter, her husband and his 3 grandchildren. **Dick Spong** was reminded of memories during George Ann's spotlight last week when he and Bill Isaly took allocution together in Youngstown, OH. They stayed in touch until he died a few years ago (oops, says George Ann, she saw Bill and his wife Judy at the Garden Party a few weeks ago. This editor found a William E. Isaly's obit from 2017 whose wife is Judy, and H. William Isaly with Youngstown ties of the ice cream fame. Further research revealed a sister of H. William, Linda Louise Isaly Coughlin, who passed away in 2013. Kin to our PE Gary, I wonder?). **Mary Beth Carroll** returned from LA due to the extremely wonderful Southwest deal her beau Keith found from Austin. Of course, Mary Beth had to fly from





William E. Isaly, who died 11/27/19, and H. William Isaly, who attended the Garden Party. Both have wives named Judy.

Keith's home city of Austin, but he went with her and met her family there for the first time. Kert Rhodes pushed the social coming up at Clear Sky on 8/26. **Doug Oppenheimer** showed what a small world we live in... Doug's father was head of Oceanography at FSU and had last week's speaker, Heywood Mathews, as a student. **Edie Wiseman** added that her granddaughter lived in Hagerstown, where Doug is headed, in a double house that shared one staircase. **Pat Snair** also backed up that it's a small world. When she was selling her practice 7 years ago, a young intern toured with a potential buyer. Graduating soon after, he called Pat, interested in buying it himself. She found out that he graduated from Palmer, same as she did. He was born in Huntington Hospital, WV, same as she was. Fate brought Dr. Ross to her and Dr. Pat sold, but still helping out. She drove him nuts introducing him as her cousin. Right at this moment, **Drew Gracy** walked in to a round of applause — is that two week's in a row?



**FOUNDATION AWARDS:** Pictured, Welch Agnew was able to get rid of one more award, this time a **PHF+4 to Edie Wiseman**. Congratulations, Edie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our 3-club member social is August 26 at Clear Sky Draught Haus, 6pm.

**Highway pick-up** is **August 14**, dependent on weather. Edie Wiseman is circulating a clipboard. If you sign up, she will send a reminder on Friday.

Jay LeFebvre gave **upcoming programs** that you don't want to miss, including an unveiling of art by a local artist on 9/1 and an on site tour of the Kellogg mansion on 9/8 by the Dunedin History Museum.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Jennifer Bullock finds it hard to brag about herself rather than Mease Life, where she is VP of Health Services. Jennifer was born in Buffalo but moved to

Columbus, OH, and became a big Buckeye fan. She grew up in Hilliard, a farm town, and was raised by her single mom, spending summers with her dad in CA. She played lacrosse, loved college, moved to Cincinnati, then Blacksburg, VA with her husband. Her children are now 14 & 15 and go to Sickles High School. Her husband's career in sports marketing resulted in a move to Orlando, then Tampa. Jennifer began her career in our area as a case worker for Bay Care before she was hired at Mease Life. Jennifer is very interested in helping out with our fundraising efforts for Alzheimer's. She came to our club after hearing about it from Mike Mahan and receiving an invite from John Tornga. At the end, Drew Gracy praised her communication skills shown during the past Covid year.

PROGRAM: Michael Smith, who will be moving to SC in September and leaving our club, was asked to speak on his experiences in the Federal Republic of Nigeria. His journey started when he flew to Dubai after the airport recently opened and the terminal was empty. He arrived to take the position of president of the American University of Nigeria with wife Elspeth, who was hired as VP of fundraising with PR duties, on July 3, 2005, to no functional buildings, a staff of 20, no students, and a fall opening date. The school was personally funded by a wealthy Nigerian who was impressed by the American education of Peace Corps volunteers who wanted the same for his country. The school evolved to one much larger, with a focus on service. Great Britain got control of the country in 1885 but gave them their independence in 1960. They have the largest economy of Africa and are the 4th in oil imports to the US. 40% of the population lived in poverty, which has increased to 50% because their oil production is controlled by a few. The real tragedy is that the country was divided into artificial boundaries that didn't take into account ethnic groups. Christians are in the south, Muslims in the north, Boco Haram's child kidnappings and killings have played havoc in the north. The University provided scholarships to the children who were kidnapped. The current president is a female who is doing a great job. Even with the poverty and problems, the people rate at the top for happiness. Lagos, a city of 15 million, is on the forefront of arts and the music scene. In Michael's words, Noggeria is complicated, artificially constructed, vibrant and incredible.

#### **CART News**

Here are some thoughts that Randy Nilsson had on ways to support CART:

- Get a team and walk to End Alzheimer's Disease on October 9th in St. Pete (supports Alzheimer's Association). Maybe we can ask for donations to CART to support the team?
- Do another challenge to all clubs in our district to donate to CART in November for Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month.
- Perhaps we can do a Matching Challenge? Not sure what this looks like but this could be really fun and we can raise A LOT of \$\$.

## **Rotary Day at the Rays on Sept. 19**

The Rays play the Detroit Tigers on September 19, and you can sit in section 128 with fellow Rotarians for only \$35. But to sweeten the deal, \$10 of the ticket price will go to The Rotary Foundation in YOUR name. The ticket form is online on the DACdb district calendar. Tickets must be ordered by September 13 and through Gene Beil. You cannot get this deal through the box office. If you only attend one ballgame during the season, this is the one to attend.

## Social at Clear Sky Draught Haus next Friday, Aug. 26!

Join us at Clear Sky on Aug. 26 from 6-8 pm for a dynamite social get-together!!

Bring your friends. Bring your family. Bring your dogs. ALL are welcome for a fun-filled night!! We Rotarians love to help others and our communities, but we also love getting together to celebrate our successes and brainstorm future ideas.

The theme of the night is **BLUE**! Wear your blue Rotary shirt. Wear your blue T-shirt. Wear your blue Florida shirt. Wear a blue hat. Dye your hair blue. **BLUE** rules the night!





Wondering where our Peace Pole will reside? Here is the existing bench at the Community Center that will be flanked by two new benches, with the Peace Pole in front. Watch for details of the dedication.

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

- •3-Club Social (Clear Sky) Aug. 26
- Rotary Rays Day Sept. 19
- •World Peace Day Sept. 21
- Cornhole Tournament Oct. 3
- Alzheimer's Walk Oct. 9
- •TRF Grants Training Oct. 9
- •World Polio Day Oct. 24
- District Found. Awards Nov. 4
- Highway Pick-up Nov. 13
- 50th Anniversary Celebration –
   November details to come
- •TRF Grants Training Jan. 8
- Cycle to Save Lives Feb. 6
- Heart of Dunedin Feb. 6
- Highway Pick-up Feb. 12
- District Conference Mar. 23-26

| UPCOMING MEETING DUTIES |                       |                                |                       |   |
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| Date                    | Member Spotlight      | Greeters                       | "5"-Way Test          | Speaker                                   |
| 8/25                    | Mary Beth Carroll     | Doug Campbell, Richard Gilliam | Doug Campbell         |   |
| 9/1                     | Gary Coughlin         | Mary Beth Carroll              | Mary Beth Carroll     | Unveiling by a local artist               |
| 9/8                     | Sherrie Davis Kinkead | Gary Coughlin                  | Gary Coughlin         | On site tour of Kellogg<br>mansion by DHM |
| 9/15                    | Patrick Donoghue      | Sherrie Davis Kinkead          | Sherrie Davis Kinkead | Kim Begay, Clearwater<br>Audubon Society  |
| 9/22                    | Dave Eggers           | Patrick Donoghue               | Patrick Donoghue      | Alan Pott - desalination                  |