

Celebrating our Golden-Jubilee

August 1, 2018





COMING ATTRACTIONS

What is coming up in Rotary? Mark your calendars and don't miss the following "Coming Attractions":

Friday, August 3rd- 12:00 pm- Scarpa's Candice Knoth, Environment Specialist/Biologist with Polk County Parks and Natural Resources

We will learn more about parks and natural resources available to citizens in the Lakeland area, which will include Circle B Bar Reserve.

Friday, August 10th– 12:00pm- Scarpa's Mayor Bill Mutz

Friday, August 17th—12:00pm- Scarpa's Dale & Andrea McClellan

Dale is the President of M&B Products of Temple Terrace which packages and distributes yogurt, milk, water & juices. Friday, August 24th-12:00pm-Scarpa's

Chuck Barmby, Transportation & Development Review Manager with the City of Lakeland

Chuck will update us on upcoming projects in Lakeland such as the proposed road diet on South Florida Avenue.

Friday, August 31st – NO MEETING

POLIO UPDATE

No new cases of Wild Poliovirus this week. There now have been 12 reported cases of Wild Poliovirus year to date in 2018 as compared to 7 cases at this point in 2017 and an eventual 2017 total of 22 Wild Poliovirus cases.

9 of the cases this year have occurred in Afghanistan and 3 in Pakistan.

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Club Meeting Information

Weekly: Every Friday, at 12:00 noon

Scarpa's Italian Restaurant

1833 E. Edgewood Drive - Lakeland

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Rotary Club of Lakeland South History and Heritage

A look back at our history as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary!

During Rotary year, 1972-1973, the club was led by a dentist, Don Dolan. During Don's tenure the club grew in membership and reached 50 members for the very first time. The annual Christmas tree lot sales also grew, doubling the proceeds from the previous year. Those funds were used to support a capital campaign for the Girl's Club which was purchasing land for a new facility. The club also participated in a Rotary Group Study Exchange for the first time, selecting a candidate who was accepted as a member of the group to travel and represent our district to a district in Japan. That candidate was Tom Willard, a chemistry professor at Florida Southern College, who later became a member of our club.





Recap of Last Meeting

President Mucci was our speaker last meeting. He detailed his plan for the year, including his two major fundraisers. The first fundraiser is Lakelandopoly. What a fun way to celebrate 50 years!

The second fundraiser is a concert with Steven Hackman and the ISO. This will be held in May. More information to come! Check your emails for Matt's Plan of Action.

MEMBER'S CORNER

This week's question is: What automobile from your past or currently owned is memorable to you and why is it memorable?

The most memorable car for me was the car that I drove for two years in high school. It was a brown 1976 Buick LeSabre which was over 12 years old at the time and was the biggest car that anyone in my school owned. We jokingly referred to it as "old brown" and "that big tank" since it was so well put together. However ridiculous it may have looked, it was a smooth ride and after driving that car, I could pretty much handle driving anything else. -Jim Noullet

My most memorable car would have to be my 1999 Audi A4 because it was a tank! I bought the car my freshman year of college with my own money, and it lasted all the way through undergrad and law school. The reason the car is so memorable to me is because it got a reputation for healing itself (I kid you not). For example, one time the windows completely stopped working – I'm talking all of them – but, about four months later I accidently tried rolling one down and boom, it worked. The car was tough when times were tough and I will never forget it. -Dan Rich

Probably the most memorable car I owned was a 1992 Pontiac Firebird. It was a special addition built by Pontiac to be a racecar. I raced it in IMSA for two years then 8 years in SCCA and won two championships. It set in the racecar trailer since 2003. My son is now restoring it to start racing.

Or, there is the 1940 Coupe with a 368 Lincoln engine I drove in high school. Or the 1966 427 Corvette Coupe I race in BP in SCCA. Or, I could keep going but there are too many. - Mark Porter

I had a yellow MG Midget convertible in high school that seemingly broke down every other week, forcing me to learn a lot about automobile mechanics because I couldn't afford to take it to the repair shop. But, its real value was that girls liked to ride in it! That was helpful because my family had just moved to Winter Haven and I met people a lot faster, in part, due to that car. -Jim Claussen

'55 Chevy Looked Good just like the Driver. -Glenn Folsom

Check back next week for more responses!

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

Welcome to Yadira Holmes! She is the newest member of the Lakeland South Rotary Club! Check back next week for a spotlight on Yadira as we get to know our newest member!

GENERAL REMINDERS...

Our annual dictionary fundraiser is upon us. Please sign up to deliver dictionaries!

Contact Glenn Folsom or Erin Golotko if you would like to sign up!

Ron O'Connor's Cartoon Corner





