



THE SUNRISE CIRCUIT

Newsletter of the
Stuart Sunrise Rotary Club, Florida



MEETING OF May 5, 2011

Please bring Tornado Relief supplies to the meeting this week. (Last Item)

Pledge was led by a member.

Prayer was given by Gary Damen

Scholarship Winner Brianna Scerenscko sang the Star Spangled Banner acapella!

Scholarship Winners honored.

Gene Van Curen introduced 4 of our 5 Rotary Scholarship winners who joined us for breakfast this year. The scholarships have been increased to \$2,000 per year in keeping with the increased fees at IRSC.

Hollis Dahn is graduate of Martin County High School who plans to attend the University of Central Florida. Hollis is a member of the Drama Club and Chinese Club there. She plans to study biochemical research..

Emily Pooler is also a graduate of Martin County High. She is a cheerleader and has been active in health sciences program there. She plans to attend Florida Atlantic University and take pre-med courses.

Brianna Scerenscko attended South Fork High School. She volunteers at the Humane Society and just appeared in the school's production of Cabaret. She plans to attend Flagler College in St. Augustine and major in special education.

Natalie Holloway is a graduate of the Clarke Advanced Technology School. She plans to continue working at Miles Grant Country Club where she is on the staff and attend Indian River State College before transferring to FAU. She would like to be a counselor when she graduates.

Alisha McCoy was unable to join us but plans to use her scholarship to attend IRSC and study nursing.

Thanks, Rotarians!

Bowlers party hearty!

Jim Murdock reported that almost 30 Rotarians and spouses and friends joined in the Family of Rotary event at Stuart Lanes last Wednesday. Thanks to Jim and Jake Hicks for all the work organizing the event.

Jim Kaat – still working- and entertaining!

John Gonzalez introduced Stuart resident and former baseball great, Jim Kaat. Jim shared some great stories of his life and careers (broadcasting and baseball). His early days in the minors included travel around the mid-west spending winters talking to Rotary clubs and promoting the team.

Jim spoke of his youth and the influence of his parents on his life and career.

A Zeeland Michigan native, Jim attended Hope College in Holland, Michigan, and pitched for the Flying Dutchmen baseball team, before being signed by the Washington Senators as an amateur free agent in 1957. Jim spent two years in the minor leagues before breaking into the majors in 1959. His career included pitching for the Washington Senators/Minnesota Twins (1959–1973), Chicago White Sox (1973–1975), Philadelphia Phillies (1976–1979), New York Yankees (1979–1980), and St. Louis Cardinals (1980–1983). He picked up at World Series Ring in 1982 with the Cardinals and added that to 3 All Star Selections and 15 Gold Glove awards for defensive skills.

After a brief stint as a pitching coach for the Cincinnati Reds under Pete Rose, he went on to become a sportscaster and for the next 22 years called games for the New York Yankees and the Minnesota Twins. Jim is currently under contract with the MLB Network through the 2010 season.

He has also written a best-selling book, *Still Pitching*.

The following is an appeal from Keith Charlton for **Tornado Relief Supplies**.. Please bring supplies to the meeting on Thursday:

Dear Rotarian,

My niece and her family live in Smithville, MS which was wiped out in last week's tornados. Her house is fine and her children are ok.

There town is gone, the church and schools have been destroyed. My wife Barbara will be taking a truckload of needed supplies up there on May 17th for the victims and those in need in her town. We would like to take as many supplies as possible on this trip.

I am asking Rotarians to please bring some of the items below to our meeting next Thursday 5-12-11 and I will collect them for the trip. If you are unable to get out to pick up some items we will gladly use any donations and make the purchases ourselves. We have the residents of Monarch also participating and with your help we as Rotarians can make a difference in some lives in Smithville, MS.

Immediate needs:

Shampoo, Deodorant, Wash Cloths, Hand Lotion, Eye Care Products.

In addition they need cleaning supplies, masks, heavy duty gloves, blankets, tents, sleeping bags, canned meat, powdered milk and containers to store their life belongings.

Thanking you in advance for your anticipated donations and your help,