



THE SUNRISE CIRCUIT

Newsletter of the
Stuart Sunrise Rotary Club, Florida



Rotary News Letter for 10.23.14

Light Up Rotary!

Today (10.24) is World Polio Day. Help eradicate polio at www.endpolionow.org.

The meeting was called to order by President Scott.

Pledge was led by Sue Whittington, Prayer was given by Larry Lavargna.

RI Foundation Chair Steve Dillemath awarded Gene Van Curen a Paul Harris + 3 pin for his contributions to the International Foundation. Thanks, Gene!

Winners!

John and Donna Haas were presented with the Grand Prize for the Be a Tourist in Stuart raffle. The couple had purchased several tickets from Butch Bayley and were very pleased with the prize.

Help needed!

Fund Raising Chair Tom is seeking feedback on both the golf event and "Be a Tourist in Stuart" Raffle. Send your comments and ideas to Tom Whittington (tom@manateepocketyachtsales.com).

Golf Photos are Available.

Bob Swan announced that Judy's hard work at the Fundraiser is now available on the firm's web site www.swanphotography.net. Just go to the web site, click on Online ordering, then click on Rotary. If you want copies, send the photo ID numbers to Bob. He will bring the finished copies to the meeting for you. The pictures are \$10 each. Make your check out to Stuart-Sunrise Rotary.

These pics make great "thank you" gifts for your golfing guests!

Thanks, Judy and Bob!

Happy Bucks!

Tom Whittington collected sports \$, thank you dollars and other awards from the members.

Brenda had a Birthday check and Paul had a sad dollar because his girl friend is no longer a "younger woman". (Careful, Paul!)

Sheriff Comes To Town!

Martin County Sheriff Bill Snyder was our speaker today. The Sheriff has over 30 years of law enforcement experience and brings a lot of knowledge to his present job. He also served 6 years as a state legislator where he chaired the Judiciary Committee.

In response to some questions from club members the Sheriff outlined some of his concerns with Amendment 2 to legalize the use of Marijuana.

Sheriff Snyder pointed out that the amendment had been drafted by a Tampa law firm and has some major flaws as the sheriff sees it. As a constitutional amendment it is not subject to any legislative hearings or discussions, but if passed, would become a permanent part of our state constitution. This is a major difference from a Statute that would be subject to public hearings and the review and approval of the state legislature and other state government bodies.

The language allows a doctor to recommend the drug for "any other illness" including undefined "pain". It lacks any medical guidance or limits for the products.

A "Caregiver" can be certified to pick up drugs for a patient. The requirement to be a caregiver is to be at least 21 years old.

The doctors would give the patients "certificates" to pick up the drugs at a marijuana dispensary. They are not given "prescriptions".

The amendment also removes the doctors, patients and dispensary owners and employees of any liability in the use of the drug and the resulting civil or criminal acts committed by the patient.

This approach to lawmaking is a dangerous approach to a very serious process of providing help to patients in need. It deserves a much more open and transparent path to law making to assure that we are not creating another "pill mill" experience for Florida.

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Sold by Jane Mills and won by Ken Furcron!