



THE SUNRISE CIRCUIT

Newsletter of the
Stuart Sunrise Rotary Club, Florida



Light Up Rotary!

Stuart-Sunrise Rotary

October 30, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President-Elect Jenny Esler.

Pledge was led by Paul Salazar. Prayer was given by Harry Lerch.

Happy and Sad \$

John Gonzalez returned from Barcelona and began collecting dollars for the club!

He rose to the occasion with several fines. For those of you who don't wear your pin all the time, You were fined a buck! Rocky and several others are proud of their pin and always have it on. (Rocky recently replaced his pin due to rust from his constant showering.)

The finemeister pointed out a letter to the editor in the Stuart News mentioning how Rotary is helping communities get clean water all over the globe.

Sue urged everyone to turn out on Nov. 21 for the Tykes and Teens Christmas kickoff at the Gazebo in Stuart at 6:30. More details to follow!

Sue provided members with "Be my Guest" cards to invite a friend to Rotary and propose them for membership! We are down to 44 members and need to grow! Sue rewarded Brenda Gerdes last week with a new recognition pin for bringing in new member Paul Salazar.

Kathy Lockhart and Jenny Esler attended Rotary Leadership Institute last weekend. They were both impressed with the seminar's information and the Rotary knowledge that was shared.

PE Jenny Esler led the business meeting for us.

Public Relations

VP Harry Lerch spoke about his efforts on getting stories to the media. We need to work on keeping the positive info flowing about the club's efforts. If you have any good contacts with the media please share those with Harry.

Club Treasurer's report.

Dave Shoaf gave a quick report in Butch Bayley's absence. For the First Quarter we had income of \$12,400. Our expenses were \$12,344 for a net income of \$56 for the period.

Community Service

Mike Searle asked for help putting the labels in the dictionaries following the meeting. Thanks to the 8 who stayed to help. Dictionaries will be distributed next week at the 6 schools. See you there!

Mike also announced a Mapp Road cleanup for Nov. 22 at 8 a.m. Last time it took less than an hour!

Good Speakers needed.

We have been blessed by some great speakers this fall. Elmira >Elmira is seeking more, so get your ideas and contacts to her at egainey@bellsouth.net.

Next week's speaker will be Credit Consultant Gene Broom on how to improve your scores!

Youth Services

Paul Salazar joined the committee. Jane Mills is meeting with staff at Clark Advanced Learning Center about starting an Interact Club there. The Carystal Lake RotaKids met last Tuesday to work on their musical presentation for the holidays.

Three scholarships for 2014-2015 have been awarded to winning students from last year's graduating class.

Membership

Sue has identified 3 alums who are interested in returning to the Club. Help her with this effort by reaching out to professionals and business owners and managers that you feel would be good Rotarians.

Stuart-Sunrise Foundation.

John Fedorek reported that as of Sept. 30th we had income of \$4,358. He feels the number will be much higher when all the raffle funds are turned in.

The foundations expenses have been \$5488 to date. Most of that was for the scholarships awarded in August. The second semester awards will be in January.

International Service

Chair Larry Lavargna passed around the sign-up sheet to help at the Salerno Seafood Festival on January 24th. He also said that Paul Gibbons will speak on the 20th about his efforts to help African boys stay in school - and play soccer!

Raffle "Rap-UP"

Tom Whittington urged members to step up for the next year's effort. Amber Woods has offered us the use of the Toyota Showroom for our kickoff party, so we need everyone to step up and help! Mark Boyden is going to help with the Golf Classic.

If you have any good ideas or lessons learned from this year's event, please take a minute to send those thoughts to Tom at Tom@ManateePocketYachtsales.com.

Pictures from the Oct 10 event are available at Swanphotography@bellsouth.net. They make great Thank You gifts for your guests! You can order as many prints as you like (\$10 each) and the funds raised go directly to the club!

50-50 was sold by Ken Furcron and won by Bob Swan.

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Dave Shoaf, Editor

World Polio Day News from RI

EVANSTON, Ill. (Oct. 21, 2014) — With the world "This Close"—99%—to eliminating polio from the planet, the effort is receiving an additional US\$ 44.7 million boost from Rotary to support immunization activities, surveillance, and research spearheaded by the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#), which aims to end the disabling viral disease worldwide by 2018.

Polio is set to become the second human disease ever to be eliminated from the world (smallpox is the first). To date, Rotary has helped 193 countries stop the transmission of polio through the mass immunization of children. Rotary's new funding commitment, announced in advance of the Oct. 24 observance of World Polio Day 2014, targets countries where children remain at risk of contracting this incurable, but totally vaccine-preventable, disease.

"It is fitting that this round of Rotary grants coincides with World Polio Day, which we use to raise awareness of -- and support for -- the global campaign to end this terrible disease once and for all," said Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko, the organization's top executive.

"Rotary is committed to relegating polio to the history books, and we welcome everyone's support as we move ever closer to our goal of a polio-free world."

He noted that the end-game strategy against polio includes the introduction of inactivated, injectable polio vaccine to supplement the progress achieved through the immunization of 2.5 billion children with the oral polio vaccine. Leading that effort is Sanofi Pasteur, the largest manufacturer of polio vaccine and co-sponsor with Rotary of a special program in Chicago on World Polio Day.

"As more than 120 countries in the world are introducing the Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV), we are beginning the last chapter on polio eradication," said Olivier Charmeil, Sanofi Pasteur chief executive officer. "At Sanofi Pasteur, we have had a long-term vision of IPV as the ultimate public health tool able to finish the job started with Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV). Today we are honored to stand alongside Rotary, the historical partner in the battle against polio."

About \$18.5 million will go to the three remaining polio-endemic countries: Afghanistan (\$7.4 million) Nigeria (\$8.4 million), and Pakistan (\$2.7 million). An endemic country is one where the wild poliovirus has never been stopped.

Another \$9.5 million is marked for previously polio-free countries currently reporting cases "imported" from the endemic countries: Cameroon (\$3.5 million), Ethiopia (\$2 million), and Somalia (\$4 million).

And \$10.4 million will go to polio-free countries that remain at risk of reinfection: Democratic Republic of Congo (\$1.5 million), India (\$4.9 million), Niger (\$1 million), South Sudan (\$2 million), and Sudan (\$1 million).

The remaining \$6.3 million will go toward polio eradication research.

Rotary provides grant funding to polio eradication initiative partners UNICEF and the World Health Organization, which work with the governments and Rotary club members of polio-affected countries to plan and carry out immunization activities. Mass immunizations of children via the oral polio vaccine must continue until global eradication is achieved.

To date, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.3 billion to fight polio. Through 2018, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match two-to-one every dollar Rotary commits to polio eradication (up to \$35 million a year). As of 2013, there were only 416 confirmed polio cases in the world, down from about 350,000 a year when the initiative launched in 1988.?