

# **POMPANOTATOR**

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Alex Williams - Editor

#### **Upcoming Meeting: November 30**

Speaker: Eva Goldman & Leanne Erwin – How Does the PTA Help Our Kids?



Song led by Anne Siren

Pledge led by Zeshan Usman



**Prayer offered by Tom Johnston** 

#### **Guest Introductions**

#### Led by Barry Dockswell

 Rotarians with Guests: Joe Usman's guest was his son Zeshan Usman. Simona Niculescu's guest was her daughter Connie Niculescu.



#### Neal Vinkemulder's Happy Dollars Led by Tony Gregory

- Susan C was excited for the Cleft Palate fundraiser and for Thanksgiving. Also, excited to be camping next week in Mayaca.
- Simona Niculescu was happy to have Dr. Williams and her daughter in town.

- Jack Prenner wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Matt Hinkle was happy to sit.
- Darryl Hinkle was happy to have Dr. Williams visiting.
- Wayne Adkins was happy to have Dr. Williams visiting.
- Tom Benson was sad because of the news of the passing of Dr. Smith Clark. He is credited with the creation of the frontal lower lobotomy procedure!
- Mike McLain was happy to have successfully received stem cell injections in his knees and already feel better!
- Fred MacLean Sr. was happy to have Dr. Williams visiting.
- Ted Hasle was happy to have Dr. Williams visiting but sad that his brother-in-law had broken his back while riding a jet ski. Please keep Jim Bress in your prayers!

- Joanne Nelson was reminded how much her dog loves chasing after jet skis up and down her seawall.
- Ross Licata was thankful to Dr. Williams and Joe Usman for all their work. He was also happy the LHP Bond vote had passed.
- Anne Siren gave thanks to Dr. Williams.

Whitney Metevia was happy to have seen an

opera the night before, for the 4<sup>th</sup> time. Even though it brought her to the realization that she now feels old.



 Jay Ghanem was thankful for all the work of Dr. Williams.

#### **Special Announcements & Updates**

#### Taste of LHP

Mike McLain informed the Club that sponsorships for the event are off to a great start - \$10,000 committed so far. Susan Gingerich asks that members donate nice bottles of wine to be included in the silent auction items. These wines are a great draw and addition to the auction.

Additional donations for the silent auction, volunteers and sponsors are still needed. Please contact Susan Crabtree or Mike McLain.

Thank you to Roz Ritter for all the donated marketing work for the event!

#### **No Lunch Meeting November 23**

#### **Nominating Committee**

Mike McLain nominated the following member's for next year's board:

President Elect - Toby Smith

Board Member – Simona Niculescu

Board Member - Rozz Ritter

Board Member – Capt. Wayne Adkins

Susan Gingerich's recommendations for next year's board:

Treasurer – Susan Crabtree Secretary – Ken Stolar Senior Advisor – Ted Hasle Pas President – Sean Hasle Board Member – Anne Siren Board Member – Alex Williams

Board Member - Molly Moore

The Club votes on the nominations on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Ring the Bell**

It's that time of year again and we are again asking members to volunteer two hours during this holiday season to ring the Salvation Army bell. We will be volunteering at the 24<sup>th</sup> street Publix. This year JM

Family will be helping us staff any of time slots we are unable to fill.



Jack Prenner asks the Club membership

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to fill the remaining open slots for the holiday bell ringing beginning on Black Friday from 4-6.

#### **Fundraising**



#### **BE THE INSPIRATION**

Our Club holds three major events per year to fund our charitable giving. Additionally, we hold the Cleft Palate fundraiser as an International Project. Fundraising is an integral part of our Club's success. The more we raise, the more we can GIVE. These events require *everyone* to ACTIVELY participate if they are to be successful. Be an engaged and committed Rotarian!



#### November 16 | Cleft Palate Fundraiser

Joe Usman has worked tirelessly towards this cause and is heading up our Fifth fundraiser to support Dr. Williams and his organization, The International Children's Surgical Foundation ICSF, on November 16<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 9pm at the Sample McDougald House. Food and drink will be provided.

The International Children's Surgical Foundation ICSF, founded by Dr. Geoff Williams, works with children in developing countries who suffer severe cranial deformities due to cleft palate. The foundation provides free corrective



surgery with the long-term goal of training local doctors methodically and over time to enable them to safely treat their own patients and train their own students.

Joe and Dr. William's great work helped this girl last week. She successfully completed her surgery last Thursday.



#### **December 8 | Club Holiday Dinner**

The Club Holiday Dinner this year will be Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Lighthouse Point Yacht Club at 6pm.



## Presentation International Children's Surgical Foundation

Guest Speaker: Dr. Williams

Fifteen years ago, Dr. Williams started his inspiring work of performing corrective surgery on children around the world who suffer from severe cranial deformities.

His selfless mission began after his residency when he visited a treatment facility in Taiwan. The group of doctors he traveled with to the facility had such a high demand from mothers seeking surgical help for their children that they were forced to turn moms away. Dr. Williams said the faces of these mothers being turned away was so terrible it filled him with the desire of wanting to volunteer for two more years. From there he took a two-year sabbatical from his work in Texas and found that he loved this work so much he kept going.

Through Dr. Williams work he has also developed a new technique for two-sided cleft lip surgery. Prior to this technique the lip resulting from the corrective surgery would have a flat appearance. Dr. Williams described that by thinking of the lips and mouth as compilation of triangles he was able to create a lip for the patient that gives a more natural lip projection. This technique has been so successful that he has been asked to write an article in a medical journal so other surgeons can begin to use the technique.

Where most US surgeons may see two, two-sided cleft lip surgeries a year, Dr. Williams estimates he

sees forty a year. Over his 15 years of selfless work across the globe Dr. Williams estimates he has performed



400 total two-sided cleft lip surgeries. Dr. Williams forewent the monetary riches sought by some contemporaries but that does not mean he is not a rich man. Ask Dr. Williams and he will say he "feels like the richest plastic surgeon in the world with kids all across the world."

### Cleft Palate Fundraiser - GREAT SUCCESS!



### THE FOUR-WAY

Of the things we say and do:

- I. Is it the truth?
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



#### **Next Board Meeting**

Wednesday, December 12 at 5:30pm

The 50/50 was won by Capt. Wayne Adkins