

# Rotary



# Club of Stuart-Sunrise

## Club Meeting

Stuart-Sunrise  
Meets at Banyan Creek  
Country Club  
1701 SW Crane Creek Ave  
Palm City, FL 34990  
Time: Thursday at 07:30  
AM

## Speakers

### February 15, 2024

[Shawn Keil, Regional  
Director](#)  
Project Lift

### February 29, 2024

[Candace Tedesco](#)  
Caring Cafe at Aliceâ€™s  
Restaurant, ARC of the  
Treasure Coast

### March 07, 2024

[District Governor Doug  
Heizer](#)

### March 14, 2024

[Nils Weibull](#)  
SCORE- nationâ€™s  
largest network of  
volunteer, expert  
business mentors.

## Birthdays

 Nils G. Weibull  
February 19th


 David Shoaf  
February 20th

 Ken Furcron  
February 21st


 Volney Bayley  
February 27th


## Club Member Anniversaries


 Gene L.  
VanCuren  
03-12-1984  
40 Years

 Richard P. Zurich  
03-12-1984  
40 Years

 Rex A. Sentell  
03-01-1986  
38 Years

 Susan Dawson  
Whittington  
02-22-2007  
17 Years

 Linda Weiksnar  
03-13-2020  
4 Years

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## Rotary News for February 15, 2024

President John led the Pledge and Sue offered the invocation, once again praying for peace in our country.

Beer selling at the county fair is continuing with our next crew working this evening. Praises were given for the tip generating abilities of JD, Charles and Susan S. The club keeps the tips so perhaps in the future they can provide lessons.

Next Thursday HB will be at the three high schools presenting information about Honor Flight. Anyone wishing to attend, please contact HB.

A thank-you note was received from the Dictionary Project, the supplier of the books distributed to third-graders, in recognition of the clubâ€™s ongoing support.

An Ironman certificate was presented to President John in recognition of his volunteering for every shift at the beer selling booth despite a difficult recovery from his knee replacement.

The Super Bowl Squares was a big success. Many thanks to Sue and Chris for managing it. JD was the big winner and Wanda Fedorek won two squares. Fortunately, the rule for an overtime game was printed on the board. Thank you, Sue, for your foresight!

Sue welcomed our guests: Rusty Brink, visiting Rotarian from Essex Vt, Lorelei Walker, visiting Rotarian from Indiana and prospective member Matt Straub. Attending today's meeting with speaker Shawn Keil, was Chris Krueger from Project Lift.

Happy Dollars were given for selling beer and the Super Bowl Squares. Nils donated to the club charitable Foundation in honor of his birthday and he also donated to The Rotary Foundation. Thank you, Nils, for your ongoing support. Rick celebrated 54 years of marriage, noting he got married during a snowstorm. Matt reported that Carrie was under the weather, and we look forward to seeing her next week. Matt introduced his daughter Lorelei, a visiting Rotarian from Indiana. HB is looking forward to his trip to Australia and New Zealand. Tom W. appreciates the energy in the room. Speaker Shawn Keil is grateful for his long friendship with President John. Chris asked members to be on the lookout for remote work for Paola, who is at UCF, who we know he is a hard worker with good detail skills. Beth is having a knee replacement tomorrow and is looking forward to it being over.

The 50-50 was won by Gene



## Project Lift

Project Lift is a well known organization, but what is less well known is that it is a substance abuse/mental health facility aimed at helping troubled teens referred to by schools, the court system and other organizations. Project Lift partners with tech trades and businesses to teach trade skills so that their graduates obtain licensing, certification and gain experience, becoming valuable employees. Shawn noted that kids want to be welcomed, loved and needed, and they gain confidence as they progress through the program.



A career rising program for young adults is new in Fort Pierce. Focusing on young adults 18-24 year old with a high school diploma, the four-year program results in the student earning full journeyman status, with all the certification and licenses.

Recently, students have been building tiny cottages, learning every trade needed to build. They are working with churches and charities to find locations within the county to provide housing. Project Life has also entered the solar energy arena.

Below are links to two videos that were shown outlining Project Lift and the apprentice programs.

[Project Lift video](#)

[Apprentice Program video](#)

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