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The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Indialantic

# Rotary Club of Indialantic Club #4395 Established in 1958



# Service Above Self

### Dist. 6930

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# **Rotary Club of Indialantic**

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This Week's Meeting: May 25 – Our next speaker will be Bob Barnes, cofounder of the Children's Hunger Project and more recently the Aspiration Academy

NOTE: Longtime member Ernest Bortner will be in the hospital for six weeks. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Dan Frey is heading up an exploratory committee to find an alternative place for our meetings when the Yacht Club closes down in January 2023. They expect to be closed for a year for renovations. Please let him know if you want to help. We are also still looking for someone to take notes and pictures for our weekly Rotator. Our next meeting will most likely be the last for Jack and Sande Layton will become Secretary in July. Bobbi Johnson has offered to take notes when she can attend meetings but is often tied up with work. We also need a future Treasurer to take the place of Dan Frey in June 2023. Our newest Red Badge member, Professor Ami Dutta, will fill in as Cashier for Dan on 25 May when he is out of town this next week.

### **Greeters:**

Thanks to Tony Catanese for greeting us last week and for his innovative "Greeter" attire. (See pictures on "Faces of Indialantic Rotary")
Upcomimng Greeters:

25 May TBD

1 Jun Jock Walker

15 Jun Elizabeth Eskildsen

22 Jun Steve Spragins

29 Jun Bobbi Johnson

6 Jul TBD

13 Jul Sue Miller

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Military Committee – Anna Lindler and Helaii Norzai from Catholic Charities of Jacksonville came to pick up our fund raiser check for \$12,000 for our resettlement of Afghan refugees. All refugees they are working with helped our military while we were in country. Dan Layton presented the check. Helai told us they have been able to settle 171 'vetted' refugees since October thanks to donations such as ours and expect 100 more. All go through 3 to 4 months of background checks before coming to Florida and then it takes several months before they find a job. They will also be picking up some refugees from Ukraine. For more information, see ccbjax.org

**Membership Committee –** Christie Lynes presented blue badges to Elizabeth and Dallas Eskildsen.

Contact us at:
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Indialantic, FL 32903

# **Meet with Other Rotary Clubs**

Cocoa—Tuesday 12:15 PM
EF State College , Foundation House, Cocoa
Cocoa Beach—Wednesday 12:15 PM
Azteca II Mexican Restaurant, Cocoa Beach
Cocoa Beach Day Break—Tue. 7:15 AM
Currently Inactive

Eau Gallie—Tuesday 12:15PM
Hilton Rialto, 200 Rialto Place, Melbourne
Melbourne—Thursday 6:30 PM
Beef O'Bradys, 2400 Dairy Rd, W. Melbourne
Melbourne Beach—Tuesday 7:30 AM
Oceanside Pizza, 300 Ocean Ave., #6
Merritt Island—Thursday 5:15 PM
Island Lincoln Mercury, Upstairs
E. Merritt Island Cswy., Merritt Island
Merritt Island Breakfast—Wed. 7:15 AM
Victoria's Family Restaurant, Merritt Island

Palm Bay—Thursday 12:00 PM
Broken Barrel Tavern, Palm Bay Road

**Rockledge—Thursday 7:15 AM**Twisted Birch Restaurant, Admiralty Blvd.

Suntree—Friday 7:30 AM IHOP on Wickham Rd. next to I-95

Titusville Sunrise -Tuesday 7:15 AM
1st United Methodist Church, Titusville
Titusville—Thursday 12:00 PM
LaCita Golf and Country Club, Titusville
Viera—Wednesday 12:00 PM

Stewart Law, Unit 102, 7341 Office Park PL, Viera

# **Rotary Web Sites**

Rotary Club of Indialantic: www.indialanticrotary.org

Rotary Leadership Institute: www.rlitraining.org

District 6930 Web Site: <a href="https://www.rotaryfoundation6930.org">www.rotaryfoundation6930.org</a>

Rotary International: www.rotary.org

Rotary E-Club One: (on-line Rotary, need to make up a meeting - great resource) www.rotaryeclubone.org

Need Rotary shirt or other Rotary Items: ruh.com/rotary

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

First Tues at 5:00 PM - Monthly BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING at EGYC: All members are welcome to attend.

4-8 June, Annual International Rotary Conference in Houston, Texas. https://convention.rotary.org

Fri 12 Aug 5:30 at the Radisson Resort at the Port, Cape Canaveral – National Homeless Veterans Fund Raiser\_– the Board is making a donation for a table for ten.

<u>Last Week's Meeting:</u> Jay Anderson opened the meeting by asking who has sent a text to someone that was received by someone else (and had hilarious results).

GUESTS: Pat Bouchard introduced the day's quests:

- Past RCI president and secretary Ruth Sanderson and her husband Sandy, who were visiting from Arkansas. They moved to Arkansas last year to be with family.
- Former member Bill Walker.
- Former member Reid Jones.
- Former member Ben Stein (a guest of Dick Ballantyne)

### **CELEBRATIONS**

- Bob Visconti's wife's had a birthday last week
- Jean Cacciatore's grandson has been accepted into Medical School
- Dan and Susan Frey celebrated their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Their secret? "Yes Dear"
- Yvonne Darling is happy her husband is back on the golf course
- Tony Catanese's daughter-in-law got caught in Ireland with COVID and after two weeks was able to come home via Mexico
- Susan Frey was happy Matt Margut was able to join her and Dan at the District Conference this past weekend

50-50 Cash Winner: Carl Miller Wine Winner: Christie Lyons



GUEST SPEAKER: President Elect Susan Frey introduced our speaker this week, Dr Mark Mullins, Superintendent of Brevard County Schools. Mark has been in the Brevard County School system since 1994 when he started out as a high school math teacher and varsity couch. During our discussion with him, he brought out two important areas of interest for us. Fourteen schools in Brevard County now offer their students an opportunity to learn vocational trades in 82 industries. Some are: infor-

mation technology, waste/water management, firefighting, HVAC, aerospace/airlift assembly, food services, nursing, automotive, construction and more. It is hard for them to get teachers for these trades as they make more still working on their jobs. And secondly, for those who want to go on to college, our high schools offer dual enrollment programs; successful students can graduate with an Associate Degree from several of the local colleges (Eastern Florida, Florida Tech and Embrey Air. 400 students were successful in this program in 2021. Dr Mullins has almost 30 years of experience in our schools and his talk showed he is using that experience in making our students better prepared for the world beyond high school.

# **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

- 5/25/2022 Bob Barnes, Founder of the Children's Hunger Project and the Aspiration Society
- 6/01/2022 The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly
- 6/08/2022 TBD
- 6/15/2022 TBD
- 6/22/2022 Sheriff Wayne Ivey

# **FACES OF INDIALANTIC ROTARY**









- Greeter Tony Catanese Greeting Jean Hender
- Tony Catanese Greeting Helaii Norzai and Her Supervisor Anna Lindler from Catholic Charities
- Tony Catanese Greeting Pat Bouchard
- Pat Blouchard Welcoming Visitors and Guests









- Former RCI Member and Past President Ruth Sanderson and Her Husband Sandy Visiting from Arkansas
- Visitors Helaii Norzaii and Anna Lindler from Catholic Charities
- Former RCI Member Reid Jones
- Former RCI Member Ben Stein









- Jay Anderson Calling the Meeting to Order
- Dan Layton Introducing the Visitors from Catholic Charities
- Catholic Charities Visitors Receiving Their Contribution Check from Our Recent Fundraising Proceeds
- Liz and Dalls Eskildsen Receiving Their Blue Badges from Christi Lynes

# **FACES OF INDIALANTIC ROTARY (continued)**









- Sergeant at Arms Trina Downey Incognito Today
- Bob Visconti with a Happy \$ for His Wife's Birthday
- Jean Cacciatore Happy That Her Grandson Has Been Accepted to Medical School
- Susan Frey Happy to be Celebrating Their 35th Wedding Anniversary with Husband Dan









- Tony Catanese Happy That His Daughter Finally Made it HomeVia Mexico After Getting Stuck in Ireland with Covid
- Ed Baranowski Discussing His Retirement from Service with the Selective Service System
- Ed's Certificate of Appreciation from the Selective Service System
- Tony Catanese with the Day's Joke









- Dan Frey with the Winning 50-50 Ticket
- 50-50 Winner Carl Miller
- Wine Winner Christi Lynes
- Thanks to the Speaker from Susan Frey