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2022-2023 LEADERSHIP

- President: Gary Coughlin
- PP/Vice President: John Tornga
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- Directors: Angie Eisele, Kris Gray, Alan Gustafson, Dr. Bill Huntley, Candice Kelly, Jay LeFebvre, Teresa Cordova O'Dea, Dick Spong, Steve Schwartz
- Sergeant-at-Arms: JoAnn Rooney
- Foundation Chair: Alan Gustafson, Jody Craig
- Admin Chair: Sherrie Davis Kinkad
- Membership Chair: Graham Muir
- Service Chairs: Becky Stein, Rob Walker
- PR Chair: Candice Kelly
- Programs: Jay LeFebvre

MEETING TIME/LOCATION:

7:30-8:30 am on Wednesdays
Dunedin Golf Club, 1050 Palm Blvd.

MAILING ADDRESS:

PO Box 307, Dunedin, FL 34697

All visitors are welcome for Wednesday meetings, 7:30-8:30 am, either on Facebook Live or in-person. Friends and family are welcome to volunteer.

A wedding and two losses



Congratulations to Mary Beth Carroll, who wed Keith Wilson on March 12. We wish them many years of happiness and welcome Keith to our Rotary family.

Our condolences go to the friends and family of Wendy Barmore, who recently passed away after surgery and a resulting stroke. Wendy was a member of the downtown Rotary club and instrumental in our Peace Pole celebration last year. Many of you have enjoyed hearing Wendy perform at local venues, both alone and with her band. She touched so many lives around Dunedin and our community. Wendy, you will be missed.



JoAnn Rooney lost her brother-in-law to cancer. He leaves behind JoAnn's younger sister and their 10-year-old child. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their loss.

Meeting Notes from March 8, 2023 – Sherrie Davis Kinkad



Kert Rhodes and Kris Gray were our greeters, shown at left flanked by George Ann Bissett and Richard Gilliam. Douglas Oppenheimer gave our invocation and Tom Miller led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance* and finished our meeting by leading *The 5-Way Test*. Dave Wyld, son of former member John Wyld and prospective member, and Nadine Burgos, another prospective member were our guests along with Craig Wilson, our speaker.

HAPPY BUCKS: Candice Kelly, along with Mark Middleton, returned from Mexico where they attended a real estate meeting. While she may or may not have been happy to return from Mexico, she was most happy that she knows Mark and is thankful he introduced her to Rotary. So are we! John Tornga praised Manny Koutsourais' service to our City as commissioner and mayor. And it's always good to see charter member Manny make our early morning meeting. Mary Beth Carroll has four grandsons, two in CA and two in Tampa. The oldest (19) is home from Providence on break and must interview 2 of 3 types of active people in government. Because her grandson only knows a judge, Mary Beth suggested that he call and interview John Tornga for his second one. Priscilla Hoag is happy to have her taxes done. Dr. Bill Huntley lamented the passing of Gary Rossington of Lynyrd Skynyrd and announced the group's joint tour with ZZ Top called the "[Sharp Dress Simple Man Tour](#)" this summer. Tegresa Cordova O'Dea thanked everyone who called asking where she was last week. She has to admit she didn't oversleep, just forgot it was Wednesday. George Ann Bissett invited all to DFAC's Trashy Treasures on March 18 where \$10 get you in and a hot dog and drink. Last year they netted \$47,000, which goes to the many programs offered at the museum and allows them to sell supplies to kids and schools at a good price. PE Doug Campbell returned from PETS where he learned our club is #3 in the district for CART donations. Tom Miller walked to a nearby bar in 5 minutes, but his return took 35—the difference was staggering. After Gary competed with a joke last week, he appreciates Tom's willingness to hear our groans weekly.

50-50: Mary Beth Carroll was the lucky holder of the ticket that netted her half the 50-50, which she returned to Mel to donate to a program we support, which could be TRF, PolioPlus or CART.



Program: Craig Wilson, arborist for the City of Dunedin, told about the City's plans for the Gladys Douglas Preserve, bordered by Keene and Virginia Streets. This is the land a developer had its eye on, but when plans fell through, the community helped raised funds to add to grants and other funding, thus allowing the City to purchase the property. It's home to one of the few rosemary balds and 11 plants that are almost obsolete. Invasive plants will be removed and native plants replanted. Dunedin also purchased the lake which borders the preserve and future plans include kayak and canoe rentals where the residence stands. The tennis court will become parking.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our golf tournament is May 12. T-Box sponsors are signing up, including Kris Gray’s Ships-N-Trips, Amanda Dyer’s Select Properties and Mark Middleton’s Watermark Realty but we need golfers to sign up also.

Our March 31 social, hosted by Mark Middleton, is postponed due to the conflict with the Highland Games parade, followed by the trail run and games the next day.



FL MINUTE W/DR. BILL: Movies were Dr. Bill’s focus today... specifically, movies filmed in Florida. *Creature from the Black Lagoon*, filmed in Silver Springs, featured [Ricou Browning](#) as the creature in the underwater scenes. Ricou worked as a guide at Wakulla Springs and co-created the TV show, *Flipper*. Ricou was also in charge of the underwater scene in *Thunderball* and also appeared in *Caddyshack*.

Spotlight on women fighting polio

Women make up two-thirds of Pakistan’s polio workforce. It’s a startling statistic for a nation that ranks 145th out of 146 countries for gender parity in economic participation and opportunity, according to a World Economic Forum gender inequality index.

The role of female vaccinators is born of necessity. Because of cultural norms, men are not allowed into many people’s homes in Pakistan. Women who provide the health care are the key link. They can build mom-to-mom relationships and provide trusted advice on not only polio but other health issues.

The female vaccinators’ work is neither safe nor easy. The women in Pakistan are sworn at, shoved, beaten, and some even killed. They’re fighting misinformation. But their work is crucial — and not just for the cause of polio eradication.

“They are supporting their education, they’re supporting their household, they’re supporting their men and giving a change in Pakistan,” says Sadia Shakeel, coordinator for a Rotary-supported polio resource center in Karachi. “This is bigger than polio.”

Shakeel calls them “little entrepreneurs.” Most of the women range in age from 21-38 and have their own children, she says. Yet they wake to say prayers before dawn, feed their children breakfast, and leave to start their work to end a disease.

Making sure that we’re changing lives for good

For a long time, Rotary thought about measurement in terms of the money and time that we invested in a project, or the number of people that we trained through our project and programs. While these types of information are useful to gather, our approach to measuring our results is changing.

It remains important to celebrate the money, time, and other resources we bring to help address needs in a community, yet we cannot stop there. We have bigger goals than that. Our members want to improve the quality of life in communities near and far. And to ensure that is happening—and that we are individually and collectively learning and growing—we need to double down on measuring the positive change that happens as a result of our actions.

And that is what impact is at Rotary. It is the positive, long-term change resulting from our actions. Our members join Rotary to grow in their experiences and in their service. And part of that growth requires reflection and learning.

Now we want to know for certain if we’re creating positive change — to determine while our projects are in progress if they’re working or if we need to make adjustments, and to understand exactly what kind of results they’re having. And we want to make sure the change is sustainable.

This is why our Action Plan asks all of us not only to do good work but also to measure the full results of our efforts — which means incorporating monitoring and evaluation into every project that we carry out.

So, how do we know what measurements we need? One way to start is to find out what information others have collected—. Randall Blair, principal researcher at the evaluation consulting firm Mathematica, helps foundations and government agencies determine the best types of programs to invest in. Blair, who is also a new Rotarian, says a good starting point is to simply search the Internet early in your planning and use the large amount of data that’s available.

You can search for a big concept, like ‘reducing maternal mortality or proven methods to increase literacy.’ “To make the search more effective, add the names of trusted international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank’ Blair says. “This kind of early phase research helps identify solutions that are already known to work—as well as vetted measures of success.”

In terms of how we collect the information we need, no one method fits every situation. For some projects, large-scale surveys are the best way to gather information about the results. For others, the outcomes might be assessed using economic indicators, interviews with community members, or focus group discussions with parents and officials.

Don’t forget to check out Facebook! Post your own pictures and news items.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 19 – Board Meeting
- Apr 29: Club Leadership Training & New Member Boot Camp - Pasco Hernando St. Coll.
- **May 12: Dunedin Charity Classic Golf Tournament**
- **May 13: Trash Pickup (Alt 19/ Curlew, 7:45-9:15)**
- May 17 – Board Meeting
- May 18-21 District Conference – (Saddlebrook Resort) – see DACdb for details

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS

Date	Invoker	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
3/15	John Torga	Tom Hribernik, Rob Walker	Becky Stein	Salvation Army — where our “bell ringing” money goes
3/22	Rob Walker	Jennifer Bullock, Chris Bates	Delonyx Cortez	David Boucher – Medical Tourism
3/29	Priscilla Hoag	Rob Walker, Dick Spong	Chris Bates	Golf Tournament Planning – tentative