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MEETING TIME/LOCATION:

7:30-8:30 am on Wednesdays The Hale Center, 330 Douglas Ave.

MAILING ADDRESS:

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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.

Meeting Notes from May 8 - Sherrie Davis Kinkead

DUTIES: Greeters:Jaquelin N, Teresa CO; Invocation:Doug C; *Pledge of Allegiance* and "5"-Way Test:Alan G; "Emcee": Prez Doug C







VISITORS: John Johnson (Program); Eric Tinsley (John T); Dan Reisling, DC (Angie E)

HAPPY BUCK TIDBITS: Kris G - spoke to PP Allen Monello and both he and Kaye are doing well and members of the local Rotary club in Clermont, FL. Becky S - headed to Boston to see son, daughter-in-law and 2 grandkids; weather is

forecast to be 50 and rainy. John T - celebrated Cinco de Mayo, met Rick L and helped put hats on ladies (Rick is always fun); best news—Manny is stronger and attributes it to the power of prayer, but 7:30am is still too early for him to show. Steve S - went to Pittsburgh, with AR scheduled next, but his wife's chasing of butterflies resulted in a fall through a cane chair, causing a blown knee and good excuse to return to Dunedin. Marc B - felling officially retired after a trip to the Masters, followed by Napa Valley. George Ann B - goes to Pittsburgh every 4 weeks to help with her dominating, overbearing, independent 98-yr-old dad, who is still sharp as a tack. Gary C - no neck brace and can drive! Better yet, the scar is hidden in the wrinkles. Mary Beth C - her big brother, who has a PhD in philosophy and is everyone's favorite uncle, plus shows up when needed, called to say his pulmonary fibrosis is advancing (speaking from experience, Mary Beth will make lots of trips to see him); she and her husband are headed to the National Inventors Hall of Fame ceremony tomorrow night; their name is on the invitation because of repeat sponsoring, and she now has a good excuse to buy a new dress. She will be in good company, because last year, 34 Nobel prize winners were on stage.





50-50: Mel Ora got the chance to pull the Ace, but no luck there! The pot rolls over.

TOM'S GROAN: Tom asked if we had heard of the famous cartoonist who recently died. When no one answered, he was not surprised, as the details are sketchy.

PROGRAM: Jay L met John Johnson at a Super Bowl party and was impressed enough that he asked John to speak to our club. John calls himself "Germaican" as his father was Jamaican and his mother, German. John was born in the UK and his father was abusive. In fact, one sister was nicknamed "Easy Bleeder," because she bled every time her father hit her. After moving to Buffalo, he played basketball at Nichols Prep and later for the University of Michigan. He played well enough to be drafted by the Boston Celtics

in the 3rd round. After 2 years, he played with other teams in Europe. During high school, he focused on "D&D"— drinking and drugs. This lifestyle followed him throughout his ball career until he attended his sister's wedding. He was offered a "line" and soon after, discovered he could not drive well and was really tripping. He made it to the beach, but others recognized something was wrong. He ended in the hospital as the cocaine was horse tranquilizer. Afraid he would die if he closed his eyes, he made a deal with God that if he lived and was able to play ball, he would do it God's way. But when he saw a circle with his first-born son's face, he knew he had to live for his son. Thus began his journey of faith and using his athletic skills to become a leader off court and help youth at risk. Coach J had a lot of advice on leadership, including develop a personal mission, stay in the moment, be nice and be optimistic. It must have worked for him, because the TB Lightning chose to recognize Coach J as a Community Hero, which also came with a \$50,000 grant for the charities of his choice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Becky S relayed that Dan Reichert, who belonged to the USF Rotaract wants to bring Rotaract to our community with the North Pinellas Rotaract, along with partnering with local Rotary clubs on projects. Becky plans to meet with him on Tuesday.

Dunedin High School sent 130 kids to Pinellas Technical College for a "national signing event." The Clearwater president-elect nominee, Adam Blackwell, a diplomat, was the keynote speaker.

Angie E reports that we have 4 applicants for S4TL this year.

Trash pickup is Saturday.

Salty Science is speaking at DCO on May 17.

FL MINUTE W/DR. BILL: None



Golf Tournament Postponed

Due to low golfer registrations, the board decided to postpone and/or cancel the golf tournament on May 22. Innisbrook offered two dates in 2024 if we postponed: August 20 and December 23. We felt August would be too hot and the rain chances too great. December 23 is too close to Christmas. We now need to decide whether to select another date and possibly a new location that is not as expensive. If you have an opinion, please share it with the board.



SIXTEEN Show for Trash Pick-up

Friends and spouses helped make our turnout this past Saturday one of the best ever! Those who came out were: Douglas Oppenheimer, Sherrie Davis Kinkead, Steve & Tracey Schwartz, Rick Lawrence, Alan Gustafson, Mel Ora, Jay Pitts, John Tornga, Doug Campbell, Tom Miller, Rob Walker, Angie Eisele, Linda Wanzie, and Marc & Terry Banning. Thank you to the team for keeping Dunedin clean and beautiful!



What is S4TL?

For our newer members, S4TL (Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders) is a week-long leadership camp sponsored by several Florida districts for rising high school seniors, which is held at Florida Southern College in Lakeland. The camp is run by selected students who previously attended S4TL under the guidance of Rotarian board members and

volunteers. Rotarians are invited to participate for lunch and the afternoon rap session held on Tu., W, and Th. Our day is designated as Tuesday (June 18 this year), but Rotarians can attend

any of the three days. Every Rotary club in the participating districts is guaranteed one slot, but our club has traditionally asked for two slots. Those clubs who pay but fail to find



delegates will allow other clubs to send their alternates in their slots.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 17: Dunedin Council of Organizations; 7am-8:30am; Dunedin Library; Salty Science is presenting the program
- May 17: Music in the Park join fellow Rotarians in a fun-filled music evening along the water - beer and wine served by the RC of Dunedin – let's help them raise money to do good!
- May 22: RCDN Charity Golf POSTPONED!!!!
- May 25-29, 2024: Rotary International Convention-Singapore
- Jun 1: Paint Dunedin Purple
- Jun 7: Service Project serve dinner to the homeless at HEP, partnering with Waterside
- Jun 15: District Training -7:30am - 4pm; Pasco-Hernando Community College
- Jun 16: S4TL delegates are transported to Lakeland
- Jun 18: Rap Session Day at S4TL
- Jun 22: S4TL Graduation and return of delegates

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS				
Date	Invocator	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
5/15	Jay Pitts	Mel Ora, JoAnn Rooney	Dick Spong	Capt. Miller - USCG Aux Boating Safety
5/22				
5/29	Teresa Cordova O'Dea	Rick Lawrence, Kris Gray	Jaquelin Nuila	
6/5	John Tornga	Tom Hribernik, Alan Gustafson	Douglas Oppenheimer	Donna Krauser – Youth & Family Services
6/12	Mary Beth Carroll	Mel Ora, Sherrie Davis Kinkead	Rob Walker	
6/19	Doug Campbell	Dick Spong, Sherrie Davis Kinkead	Gary Coughlin	Jolley Trolley
6/26	Tom Miller	JoAnn Rooney, Bill HUntley	Sherrie Davis Kinkead	End of Year & Installation