



Issue 2: July 17, 2024



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2023-2024 LEADERSHIP

- President: Candice Kelly
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- Membership Chair: Gary Coughlin
- Service Chair: Open
- PR/PI Chair: Sherrie Davis Kinkad
- Programs: Jay LeFebvre

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

MAILING ADDRESS:

PO Box 307, Dunedin, FL 34697

All visitors are welcome for Wednesday meetings, 7:30-8:30 am. Friends and family are welcome to volunteer.

Brian Spong's Celebration of Life

You are invited to a "Celebration of Life" for Dick Spong's son, Brian, on Saturday, August 3, at 1 PM in the Garden Room at the Cove Cay Golf Club, 2612 Cove Cay Dr., Clearwater, FL.

The dress will be casual, and you are welcome to bring other members of your family. During the service, anyone wishing to make comments will be encouraged to do so. Please RSVP to Dick by July 30 via his cell phone or email (on DACdb) or in person at our meeting. Following the service, there will be an informal time to gather and enjoy visiting with others in attendance.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Brian's name to the American Cancer Society.

Meeting Notes from July 10 – Sherrie Davis Kinkad

DUTIES: Greeters: Mel O, Marc B; Invocation: Mary Beth C; *Pledge of Allegiance* and "5"-Way Test: Rob Walker; "Emcee": Prez Doug C

VISITORS: Dan Riesling (speaker), Jeremiah Khokhar (Safety Harbor Noon); Theresa White, Dee Dee Fusco (Sarasota Sunrise) and Bruce Livingston (Community Dental Clinic, aka CDC); Terry Banning (Marc B); Pam Ora (Mel O); Dennis Suarez (prospective member)

HAPPY BUCK TIDBITS: Sherrie DK - recently purchased Grand Banks 42 back in marina. Jeremiah K - new year, great leadership. John T - two WWII vets with him in July 4 parade. Jay L - many lingered after the installation at his house, including John T, who was the last to drive off once the beer was gone (LOL). JoAnn R - Fish, who stayed with them on July 4, clapped and watched the fireworks in awe from his uncle's arms. Dee Dee F - for Sherrie's work on the CDC annual report. Bruce L - good to be visiting his old club and thanks for the support of CDC. Dick S - sorry to hear former Brown's QB Bernie Kosar was recently diagnosed with Parkinson's as his dad and Dick were in business together before Dick moved to FL. Doug C - presented certificate of appreciation for the FL Minutes to Dr. Bill, who missed our installation and recognition at Jay's. Candice K - thanks to host Jay and excited to have Jeremiah visit. Angie E - great to have so many guests. Rob W - missed the installation due to a medical procedure; just as Ted Lasso says "football if life," for him, "boating is life" and he's on track to get another. Gary C - the prior sgt-at-arms told jokes and to prepare Gary for the role, his son gave him a book of Dad Jokes for Father's Day, which he promises to use only today. Priscilla H - wonderful installation party!

GARY'S GROAN: Apparently, this is the one and only groan we'll get... How do farmers keep track of their cows? With a Cow-culator, of course.



50-50: It pays to visit and then participate as Jeremiah held the lucky ticket that allowed him to draw. He did pull a black Ace, but not the right suit. The pot continues to grow.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: The board voted to give the Community Dental Clinic \$5000 for a 3-D printer that will make dentures and allow fittings in one day. Even though we did not have a golf tournament, we decided to pull from our reserves for a project that will benefit the low-income, uninsured of Pinellas County. On hand to accept the check from Mel Ora were executive director, Theresa White; Dee Dee Fusco; and Bruce Livingston, chairman of the trustees and also a past-president of our club.



PROGRAM: Dr. Dan Riesling is a chiropractor trained in a different method than most. He believes that 1) Bones and joints hold you upright against gravity. 2) The spine is the center of this line and must be corrected precisely. 3) Which bone you start with is not a particular bone but based on the direction the bones go out. His solution is to correct those things the body can't self-correct to "unwind your spine."

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Candice loves pictures and the story they tell. She wants our members to send her their favorites with the story behind them. To start us off, she showed the picture of Drew Gracy talking with Manny Koutsourais, then one of her with her four boys, the most important thing in her life. So everyone help her out and



search through your pictures and send the digital image or bring the hard copy to share.

There is a 3-Dunedin club social planned July 31, HOB, 6-8pm.

Area 4 has a baseball social planned for Aug. 7, 6:30pm, when Dunedin Blue Jays has \$2 Ticket Night.

Dick Spong reminded us of his son's Celebration of Life on Aug. 3 (see details in article above).

Gary Coughlin called a membership meeting in two weeks, July 24, after our regular meeting.

Board meeting is planned for July 17.

Punctuation Marks: More Than Pauses —Excerpt from WordsTrivia.com

With the takeover of messaging and social media, punctuation seems to be a lost skill. As I (Sherrie) filled several high school summers as a proofreader in our family's printing business and loved grammar throughout my school years, I constantly check the so-call experts' rules when unsure of a particular rule. For those of you who still consider punctuation important, here are a few rules. But realize, those in advertising and design often break them just to get attention.

Punctuation marks are the silent voices in our written language. They are the unspoken cues that help us make sense of sentences, guiding us through a text like a map. They allow us to pause, stop, ask questions, express excitement, and convey a range of emotions and ideas. In short, punctuation marks are much more than simple pauses; they are the secret ingredients that give flavor and clarity to our writing. This blog post will delve into the often-overlooked art of using punctuation marks effectively.

THE PERIOD: A FULL STOP

The period, also known as a full stop, is perhaps the most straightforward punctuation mark. It signifies the end of a sentence and prompts the reader to take a breath before moving on to the next point. However, the period can also serve a stylistic purpose. Short sentences with abrupt periods can create a sense of urgency or intensity. Meanwhile, longer, complex sentences separated by periods can convey a more thoughtful, measured tone.

THE COMMA: A PAUSE AND CONNECTOR

The comma, often seen as a lesser stop compared to the period, actually plays many crucial roles. It separates items in a list, provides a pause in a sentence, and can connect two related thoughts. However, misuse of commas can lead to confusion. A common mistake is the 'comma splice', where a comma is used to connect two independent clauses without a coordinating conjunction. For example, "I love reading, I can't live without books" should be "I love reading, and I can't live without books".

THE SEMICOLON: A LINK BETWEEN THOUGHTS

The semicolon is a subtle yet powerful punctuation mark. It acts as a soft period, allowing the writer to link two closely related thoughts without the abruptness of a full stop. For instance, "I have a big test tomorrow; I can't go to the party tonight." The semicolon shows that these two ideas are connected, creating a harmony that enhances the reader's understanding.

THE COLON: A DRUMROLL, PLEASE

The colon is like a drumroll, setting up an explanation, a list, or a dramatic reveal. It tells the reader, "Pay attention, here comes something important." For example, "She only wanted one thing: peace."

THE QUESTION MARK AND EXCLAMATION POINT: SHOW DON'T TELL

Question marks and exclamation points are the punctuation equivalents of raising your voice. A question mark turns a statement into a question, inviting the reader to engage and ponder. Conversely, an exclamation point adds emphasis or excitement, conveying strong emotion or urgency. But beware of overusing these marks as they can dilute their impact.

THE QUOTATION MARKS: CONTEXT AND CLARITY

Quotation marks serve a couple of purposes. They show when someone is speaking or thinking in a narrative, and they can also be used to highlight a word or phrase, often for irony or to indicate that the term is borrowed from someone else. However, they should not be used for

emphasis; that's the role of italics or bold text.

THE APOSTROPHE: OWNERSHIP AND CONTRACTIONS

Lastly, the apostrophe serves two primary functions: to show possession and to indicate missing letters in contractions. It's important to place the apostrophe correctly to avoid confusion, such as distinguishing between "it's" (it is) and "its" (belonging to it).

FINAL THOUGHTS: PUNCTUATION IS YOUR FRIEND

Punctuation marks are an integral part of effective writing. They not only provide structure, but also add nuance and depth to our written words. Remember, punctuation is not about sticking to hard and fast rules; it's about making your writing clear and engaging for the reader. So, don't be afraid to experiment with punctuation in your writing—after all, it's more than just pauses. (next week, Don't Count on Spell Check)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Tim Shepherd and Sue Espey Ellis. Tim passed away on June 16. Tim, and his wife Anne, who preceded him in death due to Covid, were former members of our club. Sue, who passed away July 9, is the daughter of former member, John Espey, who preceded her in death, and his wife, Martha.

- UPCOMING EVENTS**
- **July 24: membership Committee meeting, 8:30am**
 - **July 31: Fifth Wednesday 3-Clubs Social: HOB, 6-8pm**
 - **Aug. 7: Area 4 Ballgame Social; 6:30pm, Dunedin Blue Jays stadium**
 - **Aug 10: Trash Pick-up; 7:45-9:15am; corner of Curlew & Alt. 19; bags, pickers and gloves supplied**
 - **Aug 17: Rotary Rays Day; Rays vs. Arizona; 4:10pm; \$50 or \$200 and include Rays Rotary-branded hat for early**

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS				
Date	Invoker	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
7/17	Mark Middleton	Mel Ora	Angie Eisele	
7/24	Priscilla Hoag	Jaquelin Nuila, Rick Lawrence		