

# The Northern Light A publication of the Rotary Club of Dunedin North

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#### — OUR VISION —

Our vision is to cultivate a SOCIAL, FUN AND INCLUSIVE Rotary club where every member feels VALUED AND MOTIVATED to drive MEANINGFUL CHANGE and be a CORNERSTONE OF SERVICE, locally and globally.



# Find out more about our club: **DunedinNorthRotary.org 2023-2024 LEADERSHIP**

- · President: Candice Kelly
- PP/Vice President: Doug Campbell
- President-Elect: Rob Walker
- · President-Elect Nominee: Tom Miller
- President-Elect Nominee Designate: Jay LeFebvre
- · Secretary: Angie Eisele (meeting)
- Treasurer: Rob Walker
- Directors: 1-Yr: Bill Huntley, Kris Gray, Open; 2-Yr: Mel Ora, Jaquelin Nuila, Teresa Cordova O'Dea; 3-Yr: JoAnn Rooney, Tom Miller, Jay LeFebvre
- · Sergeant-at-Arms: Gary Coughlin
- Foundation Chair: Steve Schwartz
- · Admin Chair: Candice Kelly
- Membership Chair: Gary Coughlin
- · Service Chair: Open
- PR/PI Chair: Sherrie Davis Kinkead
- 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

Friends, family and others are welcome at our meetings and volunteer opportunities.

# **Volunteering is a Family Affair**

Last Saturday and Sunday, three members volunteered to help with the YMCA Swim, Bike, Run for Freedom Triathlon. On Saturday, Sherrie Davis Kinkead and Angie Eisele, with grandkids Maddox, almost 5, and Lauryn 10, helped with registration and passing out T-shirts and bags to the registrants. There is no better way to instill the Rotary value of Service Above Self for our youth than to have them help with a project such as this. The kids who



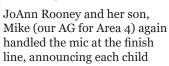




came to register with their parents were sure to take notice.

On Sunday, Sherrie returned at 5:45am to again handle registration... this time without help on checking

off names and giving out the bib numbers for the balance of the online registrants. Sherrie commented how glad she was that she came Saturday to train beside a "pro."



that crossed the finish line and interviewing participants who finished during lulls. It's always touching to see how proud Mike is of his mom, requesting a picture of the two of them for his phone. And I'm sure JoAnn is proud of Mike, especially when he joined Rotary.

In addition, our logo is on the back of each participant's T-shirt. So not only do our Rotarians get to have fun, our club gets recognition.

## Meeting Notes from August 21 – Sherrie Davis Kinkead

**DUTIES**: Greeters: Jaquelin N; Invocation: Jay P; *Pledge of Allegiance* and "5"-Way Test: Jaquelin N; Sgt-at-Arms: Tom M; "Emcee": PP/VP Doug C

VISITORS: None

**HAPPY BUCK TIDBITS OF NOTE:** John T - used big words, such as "matriculate," and mentioned a Mark Middleton interview on TV; updated us that Manny was doing OK and sounds great. Marc B is back from a cruise of NE & Canada and reports they were inland enough that Debby had little effect. Sherrie DK shared her conversation with Manny, whose chemo treatments are on Wednesday, hampering his visits to our club. Tom M - pleased with how it's going at RJ and couldn't resist mentioning his power outage... resulting in some of his darkest days of his life (LOL









or groan—return soon, Gary!).

50-50: Must be lucky to fill in for the prez, because Doug found the Ace! Over \$700 richer, even after giving CART \$50. Hope Gwen sees this—she deserves a night on the town!

PROGRAM: Discussion of upcoming fundraisers and service projects

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mel, Jay and Welch met with the owner of the golf club's food services and will coordinate this aspect of the tournament. Jay expects course fees to run approx. \$90 per player, plus food. John T mentioned we might want to note Pearl Harbor Day, which is Dec. 7, at the Dec. 6 golf tournament. The tournament can have 132 max golfers and we must guarantee 100.

The library holds 180 people so Jay L suggested that we invite the other Dunedin clubs and prospective members and public to the Skyway Documentary event on Sept. 25 and serve light refreshments.

Rick L reports that Random Acts of Flowers needs volunteers to help drive/deliver flowers on Tuesday and Thursday from about noon-2pm. Rick has been a long-tie volunteer and reports that it's not too strenuous.

Mel reports that breakfast prices for a return of our meetings to the golf club look favorable to what we are currently paying.

Another chance to bring back former members after our return to the golf club would be a special breakfast meeting held around our anniversary date (Nov. 21). Tom suggested naming it "Kegs & Eggs." Sounds promising!

FL MINUTE WITH DR. BILL: None

### If it's broken, fix it

How many of you read the Rotary Magazine? Often, when it arrives, I admit that I set it aside to read and often never come back to it. But this month's issue arrived in the mail and when it fell open on the counter, the headline above caught my eye. Did you know there are "repair cafes" that allow people to repair items that are broken, thus keeping them out of the landfill and save money? Dare to Repair is a roving monthly cafe in Buffalo, which helps attendees repair broken electronics, household goods and small appliances. The monthly events are organized by the Tool Library, a fast-growing, 13-yr-old nonprofit group that lends tools and other equipment to individuals, small businesses and community organizations.

Did you realize that 37.4 million tons of household items were thrown away in the US in 2018? Or that there are now over 3000 repair cafes around the world? The Tool Library in Buffalo diverted 7,770 pounds of waste from landfills in Buffalo. Do you think something like this might work in Dunedin? If so, just think of all the waste we can divert from landfills or provide items that thrift stores can sell to provide funds for various non-profits. Interesting concept!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Aug 17: Rotary Rays Day; Rays vs. Arizona; 4:10pm; \$50 or \$200 tickets - \$10 to PolioPlus
- Sep 5: RAGFP "Practice Peace Language" Zoom meeting; 12 noon
- Sep 6: HEP Servers Needed
- Oct 4: HEP Servers Needed
- Oct. 24: World Polio Day
- Oct 30: Fifth Wednesday 3-Club Social; Wine the Docks; 6-8pm
- Nov 1: HEP Servers Needed
- Nov 9: Highway Trash Pickup; 7:45-9am
- Nov 16: Dunedin Wines the Blues
- Nov 23 Dec 21: Saturday Bellringing at Publix; 10am-6pm
- Dec 6: Rotary Charity Golf Scramble; details to come
- Jan 29: Fifth Wednesday 3-Club Social
- Feb. 16: Pampered Pets Runway Strut; Pioneer Park;
- Feb 19: Peace Pole Celebration; details to come
- Feb 22: Dunedin Cares Gala

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS				
Date	Invocator	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
8/28	Mary Beth Carroll	Jay Pitts, Douglas Oppenheimer	Priscilla Hoag	Alyssa Andres, Marine Biologist, Florida State University Coastal and Marine Laboratory, her topic is the "Crystal River Bull Shark project." Is Crystal River a nursery for Bull Sharks?
9/4	Jay Pitts	Dick Spong, Alan Gustafson	Dennis Suarez	The benefits of Stretching, in keeping with our recent speakers with holistic health procedures, stretching improves performance, increases range of motion, reduces muscle and joint pain and improves posture.
9/11		Rick Lawrence, Jennifer Bullock	Douglas Oppenheimer	Robert DuBoise, he spent 37 years in prison for a crime he did not commit. An amazing, but sad story of survival.
9/18	Tom Miller	Sherrie Davis Kinkead, Jody Craig		Jaclyn Citarella, Community Engagement and Recruitment Manager at Family Support Services (FSS). FSS provides services, resources, education and support, with care, empathy and understanding for children and families. And, they provide safe homes for abused and/or neglected children and teens through foster care and find forever families for children through adoption.