

Issue 11: September 18, 2024

— 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:
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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 Nuala, 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 Kinhead
- 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.

Meeting Notes from September 11 – Sherrie Davis Kinhead

DUTIES: Greeters: Jennifer Bullock, Rick Lawrence; Invocation: John Torga; *Pledge of Allegiance* and “5”-Way Test: Douglas Oppenheimer; Sgt-at-Arms: Gary Coughlin; “Emcee”: Prez Candice Kelly



VISITORS: Mark Peters (Candice), who moved here from Chicago in 2017 to work at Jabil, then took a position in procurement with Holland & Knight; Robert DuBoise (speaker)

HAPPY BUCK TIDBITS OF NOTE: Mary Beth C - announced great news that Jennifer Bullock is the new executive director of Mease Life as of November 1! Congratulations, Jennifer! Douglas O - volunteered with Honor Flight and was at PIE early in the morning—and I do mean early!— and reports it was very rewarding. Kris G - returns after 3 weeks in the mountains. JoAnn R - reminded all of us an advantage of Rotary—you can get referrals for anything, including an internal medicine doctor. Priscilla H - Syracuse won over Georgia Tech! Stave S - happy over the results, too, as he went to Syracuse but his two kids to GA Tech. Jay L - freaking awesome for Jennifer! as he plays twice monthly at Mease Life in the memory care and rehab. George Ann B - thank you, Candice, for sending where previous club donations were made; Sunda’s tea and fashion show for the Museum is sold out but mark you calendars to attend the Speakeasy at the Chapel on Oct. 31. John T - thanks to Dr. Bill for his FL Minutes. Candice K - glad Mark Peters finally made it to a meeting as her guest and thankful for her mom, who met her in the parking lot to take youngest son, Joey, to school. Gary C - thank you, John, for great invocation as he lost a friend on 9/11. Mark M - has two tickets to the tea on Sunday that he can’t use and would love to give away.



50-50: Rob Walker hoped to get all the money he keeps up with from week to week after his ticket number was drawn. But it was not to be as he only drew a 4.



PROGRAM: How does someone who spends 37 years in prison, 4 of them on death row, for a crime he never committed feel when they finally are freed? Thankful and willing to put it all behind him so he can get on with living his life. Robert Duboise was teen when the detectives tricked him into going to the station and then accused him of murder. He never returned home and was convicted by a jury solely based on teeth marks on the victim and the testimony of a prisoner who said Robert confessed. Later, he admitted that he fabricated the story in exchange for his release from prison. After his conviction, a lawyer appealed the death sentence and won because the jury gave him life but the judge overruled and gave him death. When asked about death row, Robert says when

a plane flies over, the prisoners know the orders are coming from Tallahassee for someone’s death; and when the power blinks, they know that the electric chair is being tested, both being mental torture. Movies were discontinued because when the movie was over and the lights back on, several would be hurt or dead. And always try to be the first in the exercise yard as you are still handcuffed, hands behind your back, after entering until the guard reaches through the bars to uncuff you, leaving you open to attack from all the others inside. Hardest thing to get used to after getting out? His cell phone. Other comments – more good guards than bad ones, death row inmates and lifers cannot get vocational training or education, the soy that made GA prisoners sick was then transported to FL after it was banned in GA prisons. Robert was always very good with his hands and “fixing” things and received work from word of mouth after rewiring his aunt’s house. A memorable comment: I have a hard time accepting help from others, because there are so many who need more help than I do.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The meeting on Sept. 25 will take place at the library, 5:30 - 7:30.

Servers are needed Oct. 4 at HEP. 3pm - 5pm or so.

An Endowment Foundation board meeting is planned after our regular meeting today.

We have an application for the Christmas parade on December 14, 4pm. Mark your calendars and plan to participate.

Club Board meeting next Wednesday.

FL MINUTE WITH DR. BILL: None.

How to Write Good

1. Avoid Alliteration. Always.
2. Prepositions are not words to end sentences with.
3. Avoid clichés like the plague. They're old hat.
4. Comparisons are as bad as clichés.
5. Be more or less specific.
6. Writers should never generalize.
- Seven. Be consistent.
8. Don't be redundant; don't use more words than necessary; it's highly superfluous.
9. Who needs rhetorical questions?
10. Exaggeration is a billion times worse than understatement.

Media Literacy Taught to Youth

The first day at a new school can be disorienting for any teenager. But your first day at Virginia Hall High School is even stranger than most. Your grandfather claims he used to be a spy, your sister accuses some students of locking her in a closet, and everyone says a monster is stalking the hallways.

What is happening? Is any of this true? Instead of rushing off to fight the monster, you read about the weird recent events in the school newspaper. You ask yourself: Do these sources provide multiple pieces of evidence for

their claims? Could they possibly be earning money because of what they're saying? Do their stories cast a negative light on people who disagree with them?

You ask all these questions because you're actually playing a video game designed to increase your media literacy. Co-created by Anahita Dalmia, a member of the Rotary Club of Newport Beach, California, the game Agents of Influence is being developed to help 11- to 13-year-olds think critically about what they see on social media and in the news.

"We're teaching kids to understand media bias, logical fallacies, and confirmation bias. We teach things like reading closely — tools you can use to determine what to trust online," says Dalmia, the founder and CEO of game developer Alterea Inc. Dalmia, a third-generation Rotarian, says the game's approach was inspired partly by Rotary's 4-Way Test.

"The first question is, 'Is it the truth?' And there's a reason that's the first question," Dalmia says. "If it's not the truth, you cannot make a strong judgment call based on any of the other questions, because you're starting on an unstable foundation."

Read more at: <https://www.rotary.org/en/beyond-truth-vs-fiction-media>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Sep 25: Special Program: Skyway Disaster Documentary & Speaker; 5:30-6:30pm, Dunedin Library**
- **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 Bell-ringing at Publix; 10am-6pm**
- **Dec 4: return to DGC for meetings**
- **Dec 6: Rotary Charity Golf Scramble; details to come**
- **Dec 14: Dunedin Christmas Parade**
- **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**
- **Mar 4, 2025: Dunedin Mardi Gras Celebration**
- **Apr 12: District Leadership Training Assembly (DTA) & Boot Camp**

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS

Date	Invoker	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
9/18	Tom Miller	Sherrie Davis Kinkead, Jody Craig	Dick Spong	Jaelyn 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.
9/25	No morning meeting - Special program at Dunedin Library - 5:30pm			
10/2	Douglas Oppenheimer	Marc Banning, John Tornga	Bill Huntley (Back-up, if needed: Jaquelin Nuila)	Asif Shaikh, The United States Olympic Team chaplain. He has been the spiritual leader for Team USA at the Summer Olympics (London, Rio, Paris), the Winter Olympics (Sochi & South Korea) and the Pan American Games (Mexico & Canada).