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Rotary
Club of Dunedin North

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2023-2024 LEADERSHIP

- President: Doug Campbell
- PP/Vice President: Gary Coughlin
- President-Elect: Candice Kelly
- President-Nominee: Rob Walker
- Secretary: Sherrie Davis Kinhead
- Treasurer: Rob Walker
- Directors: 1-Yr: Alan Gustafson, Jay LeFebvre, Dick Spong; 2-Yr: Candice Kelly, Bill Huntley, Kris Gray; 3-Yr: Mel Ora, Jaquelin Nuila, Teresa Cordova O'Dea
- Sergeant-at-Arms: Tom Miller
- Foundation Chair: Steve Schwartz
- Admin Chair: Sherrie Davis Kinhead
- Membership Chair: Mark Middleton
- Service Chair: Becky Stein
- 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:

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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 October 4, 2023 – Sherrie Davis Kinhead

DUTIES: Greeters: John T., Rick L.; Invocation: Angie E.; *Pledge of Allegiance* and “5”-Way Test: Dr. Bill H.; “Emcee”: Prez Doug C.

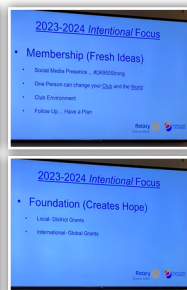
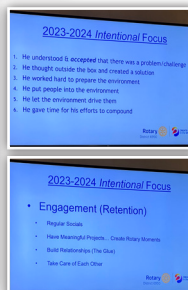
VISITORS: DG Chris Casella (Wesley Chapel)

HAPPY BUCKS: John T. - Mary Beth Carroll made a great, professional presentation at a meeting he attended on ACTS. Becky S. - leaving for DC tomorrow to ask congress for a pilot Medicaid program to cover an uncommon illness. Mary Beth C. - wishes Becky good luck and support because of how things are going in congress lately; expanded on ACTS by saying it would benefit Mease Life and Dunedin, like it's doing with 27 communities along the eastern seaboard. Priscilla H. - hopes Becky is successful. George Ann B. - 3rd day in retirement from DFAC but now she's started a new business as a fundraising consultant. Dr. Bill H. - something about a conspiracy theorist walking. Angie E. - Bouchard Insurance is having Clothes to Kids event today, which started when owners of the agency had children's clothes that could be passed on; now the organization gives kids a weeks worth of clothing. Sherrie DK - knowing how fond the DG is of Polio Plus, why not donate the happy bucks raised today to the Polio Plus program? The club agreed. Rob W - thanked the DG for calling him with birthday wishes. Tom M. - he made a list of 6 tasks for his handyman, but the handyman only did tasks 1, 3 and 5. When he asked why, the handyman replied, “I only do odd jobs.”



50-50 CARD DECK: This week, DG Chris Casella was asked to draw for the ticket that gives the holder of the matching ticket a chance to draw for the Ace of Spades. Douglas Oppenheimer was that lucky Rotarian, but only drew a 6. The increasing pot rolls over.

PROGRAM: When a district governor is elected, his duties include an official visit to each club in the district to share Rotary's vision along with his or hers. DG Chris Casella visited our club and asked us to Be Intentional this Rotary year. Our intentional foci this year should be 10 Membership; 2) Engagement (Retention); 3) Foundation (Creates Hope). DG Chris told about the start of Polio Plus, which now is close



to eradicating polio worldwide. But as he pointed out, if we stop our efforts now, there will be 200,000 cases in a year, growing exponentially each year afterwards. Past RI President Herb Brown, who lives in Clearwater and headed up the campaign to raise funds from 1986-1990, turns 100 this November. DG Chris wants to honor PRIP Herb by our district meeting the goal to raise enough money to vaccinate 1 million children. We have

a good start as Rotary Rays Day raised \$3520, which vaccinates 26,000 children. DG Chris closed with inviting us to the District Conference April 25-28 in Orlando. His parting words... Be Thankful! Create Hope! Smiles are Free!



FL MINUTE: Weather was the focus from Dr. Bill this week, as in our upcoming fall weather. As he asked, “How do you know when it's fall in Florida? When the colors begin to change... on license plates.” Our winter temps have an average low that ranges from 65 in the Keys to 41 in Tallahassee. And what do we pull out of our closets when winter comes? Our fluffy winter flip-flops.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: We have a Dunedin Cares Club Service Project scheduled from 9am-noon on November 18 helping people with grocery shopping day.

There is a Peace Pole Celebration meeting tonight at Lucky Lobster, 6pm. Anyone who wants to brainstorm and help is welcomed.

Trash pick-up has moved to November 4.

October Projects Around the Globe

UNITED STATES: For over 100 years, the grand parade of the Washington State Apple Blossom Festival has been a calendar highlight in Wenatchee. Besides the royalty, the motorcycle drill teams, and the floats with local luminaries, there's another unusual draw: horse manure and, in particular, where it lands. In May, the Rotary Club of Wenatchee Sunrise held a raffle for people to guess where along the parade route the equine excrement would fall first. Those who correctly chose the first "drop zone" were entered into a \$10,000 grand prize drawing; four \$500 consolation prizes were offered for other zones. The concept, adapted from an idea of the Rotary Club of Hailey, Idaho, raised \$14,000 for scholarships, gifts for families in transitional housing, and improvements to a farmers market. "What makes [the event] so fun is the unique and slightly naughty concept for the raffle," says Kathleen McNalty, a club past president. "Selling the raffle tickets gives us the opportunity to talk to our community about the good works of Rotary in a lighthearted way."

GUATEMALA: The Rotary clubs of Solvang, California, and Escuintla, Guatemala, teamed up to bring safe drinking water to the small town of Nueva Concepción. In February, nine Solvang Rotarians, the daughter of a club member, and a member of another District 5240 club visited the rural community, about a three-hour drive southwest of Guatemala City. They joined a professional crew to help drill a \$6,000 well funded by their club. The Linda Vista Foundation, created by a Rotarian, will match that with a second well in the area. "You're soaking wet and you're dirty, dirty. It's not a pretty job," says Linda Johansen, a past president of the Solvang club. "But when clean water comes out, it's pretty impressive." During the visit, Rotarian dentists provided free dental care to 50 children in a clinic coordinated by the Escuintla club. Rotarians helped conduct classes on hygiene and nutrition and led craft projects.

GERMANY: After July 2021 floods that killed hundreds of people, leveled homes, and inundated centuries-old buildings in northern Europe, Rotarians committed millions of euros to help rebuild devastated communities. Nearly two years later, Rotary members along the Ahr River, a Rhine tributary, did not forget the river itself or its fish. Over one week in March, the Rotary clubs of Remagen-Sinzig, Adenau-Nürburgring, and Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler (all in District 1810) released thousands of salmon smolt in a roughly \$16,200 restocking. In Schuld, the Adenau-Nürburgring club offered fish-shaped baked treats to children, and a fisheries expert explained the day's task. "It is crucial to involve children directly in these activities," says Alex Schoep, a co-president of the Adenau-Nürburgring club. "They have experienced the horrors of the flood catastrophe firsthand, and it is very important that they re-establish a more positive relationship with the Ahr, a river that characterizes and dominates the region."

BARBADOS: The Rotary Club of Barbados has created a series of financial literacy workshops with the help of club members who are financial professionals, including bankers, insurance agents, actuaries, and wealth managers. Dubbed Save, Spend, Thrive, the program includes classroom sessions, mentorship opportunities, and social media messaging. The workshops began in January with sessions for residents and former clients of a center for people with substance use disorders. The effort expanded in April and May through a collaboration with a church in Bridgetown. Topics include debt management, household budgeting, saving, and retirement planning. "To date we have served approximately 100 people, most of them women," says club member Jamella Forde.

Rotary clubs and districts support study in an emerging field

As the world becomes more connected, experts increasingly view social issues from a global perspective. That's true even when it comes to our minds. The emerging discipline of global mental health explores how different countries diagnose and treat psychological issues.

Rotary clubs and districts have recently sponsored four students to study global mental health at King's College London and the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. Here, these scholars discuss the social trends, cultural practices, and political and economic contexts that affect our mental wellness – often without us realizing it. Read more by clicking here:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/scholars-take-global-approach-mental-health>

NOTE!!! DCO this Friday

Our club is a member of Dunedin Council of Organizations (DCO). Feel free to attend the meeting this Friday, beginning at 7am, at the Dunedin Golf Club. The City Report will be given by Rob Walker. The Dunedin Youth Guild is the spotlight non-profit, Anita Epley is the person that helps lower the breakfast price and DFAC/Todd Still will present the program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 18: Board Meeting
- Oct 24: World Polio Day
- Nov 4: Trash Pick-up; 7:45-9:15am; corner of Curlew & Alt. 19; bags, pickers and gloves supplied
- Nov 11: Dunedin Wines the Blues-Service Project; 4:30-7:30pm; beer & wine servers
- Nov 15: Board Meeting
- Nov 16: RI President Stephanie Urchick - details on DACdb
- Nov 18: Paul's Project In-Meeting Service Project & Program
- Nov 25: The Salvation Army bellringing begins; 10am - 8pm
- Dec 2: The Salvation Army bellringing; 10am - 8pm
- Dec 9: The Salvation Army bellringing; 10am - 8pm
- Dec 16: The Salvation Army bellringing; 10am - 8pm
- Dec 23: The Salvation Army bellringing; 10am - 8pm
- Jan 17: Board Meeting
- Feb 4: Dunedin Cornhole Tournament
- Feb 10: Trash Pick-up; 7:45-9:15am; corner of Curlew & Alt. 19; bags, pickers and gloves

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS

Date	Invoker	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
10/11	Sherrie Davis Kinkead	JoAnn Rooney, Gary Couglin	John Tornga	Kris Koch, City of Clearwater, all about the new "The Sound" at Coachman Park
10/18	Rob Walker	Becky Stein, Jay Pltts	Dave Wylde	Anita Myers, Pinellas County Guardian Ad Litem program
10/25	Douglas Oppenheimer	Priscilla Hoag, Mel Ora	Rick Lawrence	Club Assembly