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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
2024-2025 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 Kinead
- 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.

World Polio Day Livestream – Polio WILL Be Eradicated

Eradicating polio around the world is still an attainable goal, Rotary International President Stephanie A. Urchick and public health experts said as they commemorated World Polio Day in the city where the vaccine was developed.

“I know it is a question of when polio will be eradicated, not if,” Urchick told the audience at a livestream event on 24 October that was hosted by the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.

“Our Action Plan talks about improving our impact. That’s really where our polio eradication program shines,” Urchick added. “Millions of children won’t get this crippling disease. Billions of U.S. dollars won’t be spent on ancillary health care costs as a result of this disease. We have made so much progress.”

World Polio Day raises awareness and funds for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative’s work to eliminate the disease. Since Rotary and its partners formed the GPEI in 1988, the number of wild polio cases has decreased by 99.9%. The event highlighted Rotary’s continuing efforts toward complete eradication.

Polio remains endemic in two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2024, increased case counts of wild poliovirus and the first case of paralytic polio in Gaza in 25 years served as a reminder that until the disease is fully eliminated everywhere, it remains a threat to children everywhere.

Meeting Notes from October 23 – Sherrie Davis Kinead

DUTIES: Greeters: Rick L, Jennifer B; Invocation: Candice K; *Pledge of Allegiance* and “5”-Way Test: Gary C; Sgt-at-Arms: Gary C; “Emcee”: Prez Candice K

VISITORS: Dan Zsido (speaker); Bill Horne (Candice K)

PICTURE PERFECT VOLUNTEERS: (1) 10-person group who headed to Honduras for the water project; (2) Care Lift vehicle with which Mel Ora, with over 1000 hours, volunteers to pick up people from their residences and take them to their appointments.

HAPPY BUCK TIDBITS OF NOTE: **Douglas O** - because so much trash is left on the side of the road from the hurricane, the Trash Pick-up scheduled for Nov. 9 is canceled. **Sherrie DK** - just returned from a sibling/spouse get-together in Edenton, NC, which is on the Albemarle Sound; also saw her daughter and granddaughter #2. **George Ann B** - City is doing Halloween downtown this Friday rather than at Highlander Park. **Priscilla H** - grateful for everything; gave Jay P a gift card for the Meal Train, because he doesn’t want her to cook - LOL. **Steve S** - accumulating furniture, socks now have a drawer; received \$1000 to replace lost furniture so all’s good. **Mary Beth C** - great club opportunity to show our appreciation of the sanitary workers by giving them Dunkin’ or Starbucks gift cards. **Jay P** - happy to be alive and thanks for all the kindness. **JoAnn R** - happy to see Welch but sorry to hear about Carole Anne; so sad because so many lost their homes and the developers are moving in. **John T** - Jay P’s smile shows that he is being well-fed from everyone’s kindness. **Drew G** - youngest turns 17 today; Dad is old but good. **Jay L** - has approval from school board to buy the container for the vocational tech program and Kim Greenleaf gave the approval to use Casino Night funds that originally were reserved to replace the pavilion her father, Bill Huettig, was instrumental in building; just in time as their certificate of occupancy was pulled because of tools, etc. in their classroom, which will now go in the container. **Angie E** - our club is amazing and warms her heart; mom stayed at Mease Life after her surgery and the staff and Jennifer get Angie’s kudos. **Candice K** - thanks to Kris Gray for helping book and easing her mind over a planned cruise with Joey, who recently was diagnosed with diabetes.



50-50: Welch Agnew held the matching ticket but the Ace of Spades eluded him. He drew a king so received his payout of \$10.

PROGRAM: The original **Lieutenant Dan (Zsido)**, a 2nd generation cop, spent 40 years with Pinellas County and later, the **NADDI (National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators)**. He explained the difference between medical and street fentanyl, with the street fentanyl being 80-100



times more potent and 10,000 times more potent than morphine. Florida is #2 in deaths, behind #1 CA, and Pinellas County is #1 in FL. NC has the greatest decrease in deaths. For every 10 fake pills on the street, 7 contain a potentially lethal dose. A grant has paid for training of 500 people in 4 years to use Narcan, which is a nasal spray, to reverse the drug poisoning. They far exceeded the goal as 1,470 people have been trained with one year to go. The [January](#) issue of the Rotary Magazine deals with Naloxon. To see the full video of [Dead On Arrival](#), go to You Tube.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our next 3-**Club social** is Oct. 30 at Wine the Docks, 6-8pm.

Special Showing of The Skyway Bridge Disaster is now scheduled for Nov. 4, 5:30-7:30, at the Dunedin Library. Please RSVP.

Servers are needed Nov. 1 at **HEP** from around 2:30 - 5:30.

November 16 is **Dunedin Wines the Blues** and we need 12+ volunteers to serve wine and beer for the 3:30 - 7:30 shift.

The district is still looking for **disaster relief volunteers**. Sign up online.

Our heart goes out to Welch Agnew and his family in their **loss of Carole Anne**.

FL MINUTE WITH DR. BILL: None.

polio. In 2008, he hand-cycled 7,140 kilometers (4,437 miles) across Canada to raise awareness and funds for polio eradication.

Using a 27-speed hand-cycle and consuming 5,000 calories a day to maintain his energy, Ferris traveled 400 kilometers (249 miles) every 10 days from British Columbia in the west to Newfoundland in the east. His Cycle to Walk trip raised funds for Rotary International's End Polio Now effort and other anti-polio projects.

Now Ferris has joined Team End Polio, a new campaign by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative to raise awareness about the need to wipe out the disease. Team End Polio's starting roster of top international athletes includes several who, like Ferris, have been directly affected by the disease. All are determined to speak up on social media and at sporting events.

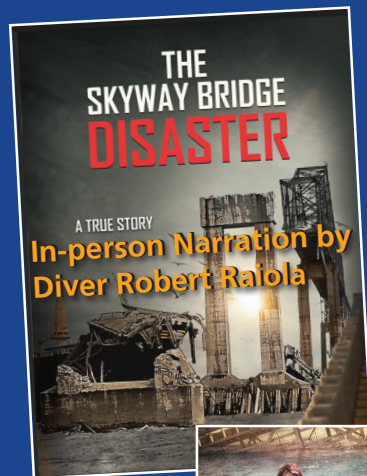
"It is critical that people realize that polio knows no borders," says wheelchair athlete Minda Dentler, who contracted polio as an infant. "As long as this disease exists anywhere, it is a threat to children everywhere."

Dentler used a hand-cycle to complete the New York City marathon in 2006 and later qualified for the Ironman World Championships. It took her two tries, but she became the first woman wheelchair athlete to complete the grueling triathlon. She had to swim 2.4 miles, hand-cycle 112 miles, and propel her racing wheelchair for 26.2 miles, with a time limit for each stage. The second time she competed, she crossed the finish line in 14 hours and 39 minutes.

"I learned how, with perseverance, anyone can overcome obstacles and achieve goals that seem impossible," says Dentler, who published a children's book in March titled, "The Girl Who Figured It Out." She says that same quality is needed for the fight against polio.

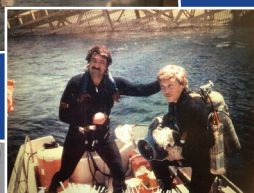
Read more [online](#).

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL SHOWING Monday • November 4 5:30pm – 7:30pm Dunedin Public Library



You've heard about it.
You've read about it.
BUT have you SEEN the documentary or listened to someone who was there that day?

On May 9, 1980, one of the most stunning tragedies in maritime history occurred when the M/V Summit Venture, a massive 608' bulk freighter, collided with the Sunshine Skyway Bridge. More than 1,200 feet of the giant structure crumbled into the waters of Tampa Bay and 35 people plunged to their deaths. See the documentary with in-person narration from one of the divers on the scene, Robert Raiola.



Too good not to share!

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← Please scan to RSVP.
Light refreshments served.

Out of Sight, Out of Mind... Athletes Who Make Polio Seen

Ramesh Ferris wants you to see his legs.

"When people see me walking with my crutches and braces, if I'm not wearing shorts, they do not think of polio," says Ferris, who contracted the disease at six months old. "But when people see my legs, they're like, 'Oh, what happened?' It starts a discussion around what people can do to work together for a polio-free world."

Ferris tries to wear shorts whenever he's hiking or using his hand-cycle, a three-wheeled device powered by hand cranks. And he's found other ways to channel his athleticism into the fight against

**First Friday HEP
Servers Needed!**

UPCOMING MEETING DETAILS

Date	Invoker	Greeters	Pledge & 5-Way Test	Speaker
10/30	Tom Miller	Doug Campbell, Mel Ora	Angie Eisele	
11/6	Candice Kelly	Jody Craig, Dick Spong	Mary Beth Carroll	
11/13	Jay Pitts	JoAnn Rooney		