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Speaker for Monday, August 12 - Karen Haught, The ARC of Volusia



*For people with intellectual
and developmental disabilities*

Weâ€™ve been serving people since 1962!

President John F. Kennedy introduced America to his sister Rosemary in the 1960s. Rosemary had been born with intellectual and developmental disabilities (*I/DD*), a reality the Kennedys kept hidden for years due to the negative social stigma of the day. Inspired by their young president, a small group of Daytona Beach parents banded together and committed themselves to building a better life for their children with disabilities.

In August 1961, the parents of seven children with I/DD and three other interested persons formed what would later come to be known as **The Arc of Volusia**. The agency was officially recognized by the State of Florida and chartered as a non-profit organization on March 23, 1962. Our first school opened its doors in September of that year at the local YMCA with seven clients and three part-time volunteers, with mothers assisting.

In 1965 we opened â€œHappy Corner Schoolâ€ at the intersection of Wills and Stadium in the Welch area of Daytona Beach. Our first paid teacher, Rosemary Simmons, was hired, and paid the magnanimous salary of \$35 per week. By 1968, we had a membership of 74, and were serving 41 students.

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August 15th

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September 8th

Ray Dahlberg joined the staff in 1968 as our first Executive Director. Also that year, Tomoka Land and Development Company donated a five acre plot of land at the corner of Jimmy Ann Drive & 5th Street in Daytona, which still serves as our Daytona Campus today. *(Ten years later â€" Tomoka donated 10 additional acres. The entire 15 acre plot was valued at the time to be worth approximately \$277,000).* By this time, we had four locations:

- Happy Corner School, Daytona Beach
- Rainbow School, Ormond Beach
- Pathway School for Adults, New Smyrna Beach
- Sunshine School for Adults, Daytona Beach

On June 1, 1971, Jack D. Dunkle was hired as our 2nd Executive Director. Under Jackâ€™s leadership, the agency continued to grow, and new programs were added. That summer, our camp program was begun thanks to the efforts of the Reverend Hal Marchman, which provided approximately 100 adults with I/DD the opportunity to have a â€œsummer campâ€ experience. In 1973, The Arc of Volusia coordinated the first Special Olympics' event in Volusia County â€" with 200 athletes participating.

Mr. Dunkle retired on June 1, 1977, and after a brief interim, Eugene Gabriel took over the reins in 1978, serving as our Executive Director. Under Geneâ€™s compassionate and capable leadership, The Arc Volusia continued to grow and prosper â€" impacting more and more lives while creating the opportunity for hope, growth, and change. Gene completed construction of the Daytona Campus AND established our campus in DeLand during his tenure. When he retired 21 years later, in October 1998, he left our organization in better shape than ever before.

Today, because of the leadership of these early pioneers, we are a mission-driven, debt-free agency.

The framework established by our founders:

This agency was created with great love and compassion. The prevailing sentiment of the day was to send children with disabilities to state-run institutions, however, these founding families wanted to keep their children close physically and emotionally by raising them in their own homes, and in their own communities. Love, compassion, friendship and a sense of community are pervasive in our organizational culture. Thatâ€™s why we refer to those we serve as â€œfriends,â€ rather than â€œclientsâ€ whenever possible.

In an era when the predominant belief was that people with disabilities should be institutionalized and isolated from the rest of society, our founders dreamed BIG DREAMS for their children. This same attitude of hope and expectancy permeates all we say and do.

Our founders sacrificed their time, money, and energy to make this agency a reality. We stand upon the shoulders of those pioneers who came before us. The willingness to work hard and to do â€œwhatever it takesâ€ to get the job done is still a big part of who we are today.

Those early leaders made strategic financial decisions that set us up for fiscal health today. Thanks to their wisdom and foresight â€" we have no debt, and we have funds in reserve. We still experience financial limitations and occasional shortfalls in our operating budget, however, because we have no debt, we enjoy unusual organizational stability. This stability enables us to operate with a long-term perspective, and to remain relentlessly focused on the well being of the friends we serve and the staff who serve them.

Coke Zero 400 Opportunity

ROTARY DAY AT THE RACE! 

JOIN US AT DAYTONA!



Come join us on August 24th, 2024, at the World Center of Racing for the Coke Zero Sugar 400! Enjoy the thrill of the NASCAR Cup Series night race at Daytona International Speedway right behind pit road in our Pit Road Patios! These private cabana style suites are perfect for up close viewing of your favorite drivers while enjoying a true hospitality experience at DAYTONA!

PIT ROAD PATIO PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- PIT ROAD PATIO ADMISSION
- ALL INCLUSIVE FOOD & SOFT DRINKS
- INFIELD PARKING
- HARD ROCK BET FANZONE ACCESS
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- CASH BAR

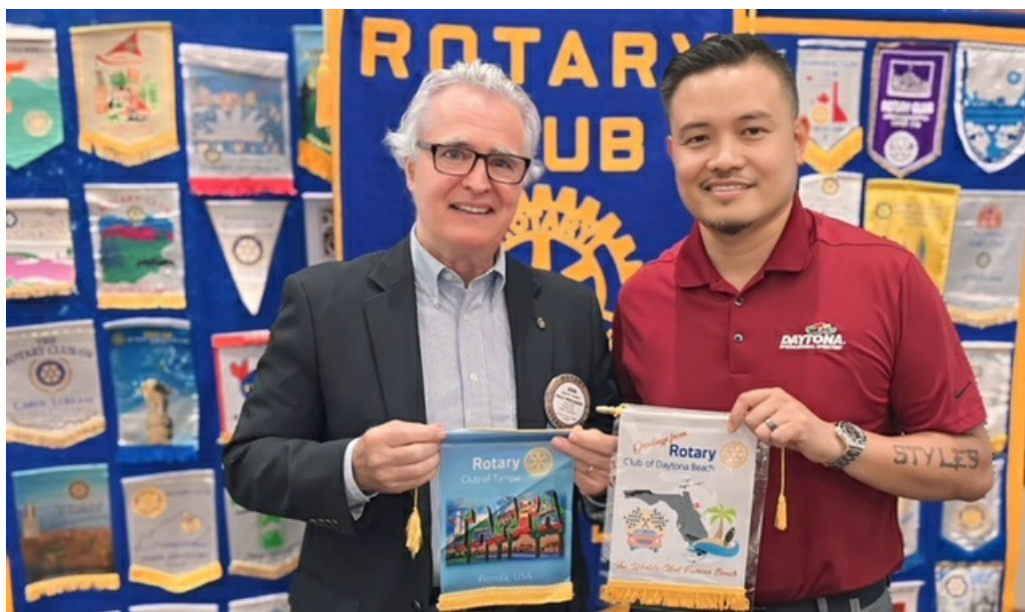
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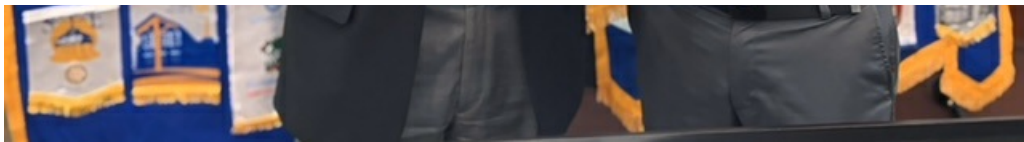


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Join us at Rotary Day at the Races on Saturday, August 24th for the Coke Zero Sugar 400! This exclusive experience is available at a discounted price of \$195 per person and includes race admission, food and soft drinks, infield parking and so much more. Contact Rod Gaerlan at 386.681.6062 or email him at rgaerlan@nascar.com to secure your spot. Don't miss out on this unforgettable event!
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On The Road Again...





Recently, Club Member Rod Gaerlan visited his former club to say goodbye. Here, Rod exchanges flags with the Rotary Club of Tampa's Past President John Foster. Also pictured is Rod giving his former base

with the Rotary Club of Tampa's Past President, John Foster. Also pictured is Rod giving his former boss, Buccaneers COO Brian Ford Speedway swag, as well as his family.

If you have plans that take you out of Daytona Beach, see President Roosevelt or Renny to get a flag you can share with other clubs you visit.

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â€œGâ€™dayâ€™ from Perth, Australia!

The Canning Bridge, originally constructed in 1849 when the area was just grassy bushland, has since evolved into a crucial link between the city and its southern suburbs.

Curious about those shoes? Theories about their origins range from art to protest, but their source remains a mystery.

Photo by Jeff Spickett of the Rotary Club of Attadale.

Save the Date for the next Rotary Social!



Rotary Zoom Login



Meeting ID: 665 859 4040
Passcode: 349127

Club Meeting

Daytona Beach
Meets at The Palmetto Club
1000 South Beach Street
Daytona Beach, FL 32114
Time: Monday at 12:15 PM