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“What Does a Rotary Club Do?”

(An anonymous tribute to Rotary Awareness Month)



Someone asked that question once, and I stood there feeling like a dunce!
What do our Rotarians do? I hemmed and hawed a time or two,
Then said, “We gather for a meal and ask each other how we feel,
Get our food and have some fun, chattering till the meal is done.
We get club business out of the way and the program of the day.
Some are good and some are great! And some run on till fairly late.”

But then my friend, he turned to go. “That wasn’t” he said, “what I wanted to know.”

I’ve thought a lot about this since. What could I possibly say to convince
My friend that Rotary does more than meet, greet, take a seat, then eat?

Well, this is how I would make amends, by explaining Rotary to my friends.

Two billion children are healthy today, in lands both near and far away,
Who otherwise might be lame – or dead, from Polio, that childhood dread!
And hungry children are being fed, through better ways to grow their bread.

Rotarians in many lands are teaching. And doctors of all kinds are reaching
Out to heal the sick and lame, with little thought for wealth or fame.
And men and women are meeting the need to teach the little children to read.

Youth come here from every land, in answer to our outstretched hand,
To learn to know us and know our ways, bringing peace and friendship to all our days.

And clubs are formed in every nation, for fellowship and conversation,
For education and information, and practicing the cultivation
Of peace on earth, and goodwill to all, and a speedy end to every wall
Which separates the folk of earth and keeps us from seeing each other’s worth.

A hundred things there are to say about what Rotarians do each day
In every land and every town to lift someone when they are down
And help each other along the way. “Service Above Self.” What more can I say?

Well, if my friend should ask again, I’ll have another answer for him, then.



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ANNOUNCING TWO NEW DISTRICT BENEFACTOR AWARDS The Jack Bakeman Award and the Richard Breske Award

Rotary District 6950 is pleased to announce two new awards which will be presented each year at our District Conference. Both awards are named after Past District Governors who served our district with passion and honor and were Major Donors and Bequest Society members of The Rotary Foundation.

Jack Bakeman was District Governor in District 6440 in 1987-88. This district is known as the "Home District" because it includes Evanston, IL, the site of Rotary International's headquarters. Jack was known throughout District 6440 as the Polio Governor, partly because he was a polio survivor, but more so because his district raised an incredible amount of money for Polio Plus when he was governor. After retiring, Jack moved to Dunedin and became a member of the Rotary Club of Dunedin. He continued to be very active in his club and in our district. He attended virtually every District Conference and District Foundation meeting we held. Unfortunately, Jack passed away two years ago. He is still sorely missed.

The award in Jack's name will be presented annually to the club in the district with the highest percentage of new Benefactors.

Richard Breske served our District as District Governor in 1998-99, under the theme, "Make Dreams Real." Since then he has dedicated much of his Rotary energy to doing just that. As a mem-

ber of The Rotary Club of Pinellas Park, he has championed the club's support of making dreams real for local residents through vocational training and scholarships. Leading by example, Richard has helped his club attain a remarkable record of over \$200 per capita in Annual Giving for eight (8) straight years! As our District 6950 Matching Grant's Committee Chair, Richard is easily our district's most knowledgeable and experienced Rotarian when it comes to Foundation Grants. Because of his leadership and dedication to humanitarian matching grants, he has had a major impact on the ability of each Rotarian in our district to "Make Dreams Real" for people around the world. As an electrical contractor, by vocation Richard brings light and power to buildings. As a Rotarian, by avocation Richard brings light and power to the concept of "Making Dreams Real" while "Building Communities and Bridging Continents."

The Richard Breske Award will be presented each year to the club that has the highest percentage of total Benefactors on April 30th.

No club may receive both awards in the same year.

For more information on Benefactors or Bequest Society, Rotarians may go www.Rotary.org and type in "Benefactors" or "Bequest Society," or email PDG Paul Slosberg at slospaul@tampabay.rr.com

Trinity Rotary Challenges the District

Sandy Barley, President of Trinity Rotary, along with nine other Rotarians spent a week in the Trojes region of Honduras installing water filters and latrines. The Rotary Clubs of Trinity and Danli in Honduras are partners in a clean water and sanitation project in the mountain areas around Trojes. That project is almost complete and the group spent a few hours visiting the village of Quebrada Larga. This is a community of 300 families, but only 200 of the families have water filters that were installed by Pure Water for the World in 2006. The families without filters are either new households or households whose filters were destroyed in a flood. The only children still getting sick are those without filters. We want to raise money for filters and latrines in Quebrada Larga and four

other Districts around the US are working with Trinity Rotary on this.

Sandy has issued a challenge that Trinity Rotary will match all contributions from any Rotary club in District 6950 and his club has set aside \$5000 for the match.. If you still have funds in your international budget and would like to participate in a water project which saves the lives of children, or if you need an International project to round off your Presidential Citation Application this could be right for you. Any amount is gladly accepted and appreciated. AND DOUBLED WITH THE MATCH!

Visit www.purewaterfortheworld.org to learn more. Contact Sandy Barley sandy.barley2@yahoo.com with any questions.



One of the World's best kept secrets - Rotary!

A man wakes up under an advertised blanket on a advertised mattress, pulls off advertised pajamas, shaves with an advertised razor, brushes his teeth with an advertised brush and toothpaste, washes with an advertised soap, and puts on advertised clothes. He then drinks advertised coffee and drives off to work in an advertised car. But, he refuses to advertise, believing it doesn't pay.

Later, when business is poor because he didn't advertise, he puts the business up for sale – and advertises it.

Rotary has been like that businessman. For many years we have not told the world of our many accomplishments, our successes in making this a better place to live, the lives we have saved.

In our community we do not mention our leadership programs for the youth, our many scholarships, the professional outreach program with other countries. Our sponsorships for education and

youth sports activities goes largely unmentioned. Our humanitarian participation in the world is not even discussed within our own club.

If we do not tell others about us who will?

To attract potential leaders and community-minded people they need to know that we are worthy of their time and expertise. They need to know that we are a viable, working group of individuals making a team effort to improve both our community and our world. Only then will quality people seek us out, to become involved in the noble projects we undertake.

Do you know what we do as a club, as members of Rotary International? It's time you made it a priority to find out and then become involved and provide some of that leadership for which you were chosen to become a Rotarian.

DISTRICT CALENDAR

**Thursday, January 13
Charter Night - 6pm**

Clearwater at Feather Sound Country Club
Feather Sound Country Club
2201 Feather Sound Drive
Clearwater, FL 33762
Cocktails 6pm with dinner serving at 6:30pm
\$40 per person, includes valet parking, seated dinner mail checks, payable to the Rotary Club of Clearwater at Feathersound:
Nick Colarusso
13577 Feather Sound Drive, Suite 400
Clearwater, FL 33762.

**Friday, January 21
24th Annual Florida Manatee Festival - 5pm**

Now taking applications for Crafters for this event. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a Crafter, please contact Larry Masut at 352-601-0676.

**Saturday, January 22,
Tarpon Springs Rotary Wine Tasting & Silent Auction**

Lake Tarpon Resort, 37611 U.S. Hwy 19 N, Palm Harbor FL 34684

**Saturday, February 5
TV Auction - Rotary Club of Inverness**

WYKE, Channel 17 on Bright-house Networks in Citrus County

**Saturday, February 12
Dade City Sunrise Garage Sale**

Growers Fertilizer
13126 Route 301, Dade City
7:00 am to 1:30 pm
Huge Sale! Great bargains!

Ringling into the New Year!

For nearly 10 years, the Brooksville Rotary Club has volunteered its members to support the Salvation Army's yearly Kettle Drive. This year, \$856.79 was raised by the Rotarians ringing the bells at the Publix Supermarket in Brooksville over a two day period. The support of volunteers is critical to the success of this program. Monies raised support the Salvation Army's numerous programs to include counseling, disaster relief and outreach assistance to Hernando County residents.

Brooksville Rotarian Lt. Samuel Kim is commander of the Hernando County Salvation Army. He and his wife both joined the Salvation Army because it allows them to preach the gospel and help people at the same time both of which are important missions for them.

Pictured here are (L-R) Brooksville Rotarians Donnie Singer and Roberto Quiroz.



San Antonio Rotary volunteered to help the Salvation Army this Christmas. Here is Betty Burke doing her part.

All club members took turns at the San Antonio Post Office every Monday in December.





ROGER PROFFER, SR as our District Governor Nominee Designate (DG for Rotary Year 2013- 2014)

Roger Proffer was born in Rankin, Michigan in October of 1941 and raised up on a small farm. In 1960 he joined the Air Force and was schooled in electronics and worked as an aircraft radio and served as a radar technician. His service time included 3 years overseas in the Far-East including a time in Vietnam.

After his military service Roger returned to Michigan and spent several years working as an Electronics technician. During this time, Roger met Linda when she kept serving him special helpings when he ate at the diner her mother owned. Soon after they married, Roger received a very poor health diagnosis so he decided to leave his electronics job and changed his life to serve as a Baptist missionary to Mexico and was ordained into the Ministry in 1981. His health returned better than ever!

When Roger and Linda returned to the United States they moved to Brandon and purchased a military outlet

store and they eventually move their life and business to Crystal River, Florida in 1987. The business became the Military Outlet, Inc. which Linda and Roger still operate. Since moving to Crystal River, Roger became very active in community service by serving on the Crystal River City Council 2002 - 2006 and has served on political action boards including Heart of Florida, and the Suncoast League of Cities. Roger is also an Amateur Radio operator with the call name "KG4MOI".

Roger was invited to the Rotary Club of Crystal River Kings Bay in April of 2002 and served as their Club President in 2005-06. He has served the district in a number of committees most notably on Foundation committees and is currently the Annual Giving Chair. Roger was also one of the driving forces in bringing the 6 Rotary clubs in Citrus County together and working as a team towards a common goal of service. He is married to Linda Proffer, also a Rotarian, and a charter member and co-founder of the Rotary Club of Sugarmill Woods. Linda

serves the club as Treasurer and is on the district committee of the Fund Council.

He is most proud of the water projects he has spearheading in the Honduras for the last 20 years, installing over 500 potable water wells and over 15 water systems serving many homes. In another project, Roger met with Mexican officials, discovered a need and upon return to Florida, a fire truck was purchased, refurbished and then driven and delivered to a city in Mexico that had no fire service.

Roger will be the first District Governor selected from Citrus County since the 1993-94 Rotary year when Earl Samstag served as Governor.

Roger and Linda are both multiple Paul Harris Fellows and they have six children and 16 grandchildren of which they are very proud.



Who is Packing Your Parachute?

Charles Plumb was a US Navy jet pilot in Vietnam. After 75 combat missions, his plane was destroyed by a surface to air missile. He ejected and parachuted into enemy hands, spending the next 6 years in a communist Vietnamese prison. He now lectures on the lessons learned from that experience.

One day Plumb was sitting in a restaurant and another man came up to him and said "You're Plumb! You flew jet fighters from the Kittyhawk and you were shot down!"

"How in the world did you know that?" asked Plumb.

"I packed your chute" the man replied. The men shook hands and Plumb thanked the man for the chute that had worked and saved his life.

Plumb couldn't sleep that night, thinking about that man. Plumb wondered what he had looked like in a navy uniform. He wondered how many times he might have seen the man but not even said "Good morning, how are you?" or anything else because the man was just a sailor and Plumb was a fighter pilot. Plumb thought about the many hours

the sailor had spent in the bowels of the ship, standing at a long wooden table, carefully weaving and folding the silks of each chute, holding in his hands the fate of someone he didn't know.

Now Plumb asks his audience, "Who is packing your parachute?"

Everyone has someone who provides what they need to make it through the day.

He also points out that he needed many kinds of parachutes when his plane was shot down over enemy territory - he needed his physical chute, his mental chute, his emotional chute, and his spiritual chute. He called on all of these supports before reaching safety.

Sometimes in the daily challenges that life gives us, we miss what is really important. We fail to say hello, please or thank you, congratulate someone on something wonderful that has happened to them, give a compliment or just do something nice for no reason. As you go through this week, this month, this year, recognize people who pack your parachutes

Rotarian Doug Meyer attains Major Donor Status with The Rotary Foundation



The Rotary Foundation has various ways of recognizing current giving (Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society, Major Donor) or future giving through estate planning or insurance policies (Benefactor and Bequest Society). Rotarian Doug Meyer of the Seminole Lake Club has been very busy through his Chairmanship of the S4TL program while becoming a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, a member of the Bequest Society and Benefactor. He has recently attained the status of Major Donor, the first in Seminole Lake Rotary's thirty years of history (SLR was recently recognized as second highest per capita giving in District 6950).

Pictured: President Earl Fratus, Doug Meyer, Barb Meyer and PDG Tim Schuler reading the citation from TRF



GSE Team heads to Chile

The Rotary District 6950, Chile GSE Team is gearing up for their trip in April. The team will be in Chile for thirty days and are counting the days until they leave. Team Leader Bob Memoli a Real Estate Broker from the Rotary Club of Seven Springs and four GSE Team members are preparing themselves for a trip of a lifetime. Team members include Candace Cooke from Spring Hill who is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Trinity, Lindsay Cross from St. Petersburg who is sponsored by the Rotary Club of St. Petersburg, James Morrow from St. Petersburg also be sponsored by the Rotary Club of St. Petersburg and Jeff Reese from Valrico



who is being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel. In addition, Ray Ford is Bob's alternate.

The team has a diverse background and is looking to learn about their fields in Chile as well as pass on information that may be useful to our hosts. They are preparing a presentation to give the people in Chile a background of our country, local areas where they live, demographics of our area and an overall view of our culture and our families. Since there is a lot of work and planning all team members have taken a part of the presentation to research.

The Team recently met for the first time and learned about each other as well as shared stories of their lives. Of course you could not do this without



the spouses and better half's helping out and participating in the program. Naturally everyone needed some nourishment. The best way to do that is to have a hometown BBQ with everyone bringing their favorite dishes.

Hasta más tarde.

The Rotary Club of Belleair Donates 112 Dictionaries



Thursday, December 8th was a day of great pride of the Belleair Rotary Club. On this day over one hundred dictionaries (112 to be exact) were delivered to the seven third graders classes at Belleair Elementary school at Lakeview Road in Clearwater. Belleair Rotary Club is very active sponsor of the Belleair Elementary School and each year adopts each one of all the 52 classes. Many of the members also volunteer their time and services to assist the school.

In the picture we see from the left John and Madonna Campion of Belleair Rotary, Tabitha Griffin (Principal of the school) and Dr. Lothar Erdtmann of Belleair Rotary. They are joined by many happy students from Mrs Greenan's class, each one receiving a Webster's Dictionary.

Dunedin Interact Club



The new principal of Dunedin High School, Reuben Hepburn, gave a program at Dunedin North on November 17th. He was proud to be surrounded by members of the Interact club, who also presented the part of the program.

The Interact program at Dunedin High continues to grow. Last year, the club was fortunate to recruit Pascale Freyer as their faculty advisor, a teacher whose father started a Rotary club in France in 1946. Dunedin North club members and guests heard about the many projects accomplished and planned by the Interact club.

Principal Hepburn told about the changes he has implemented at the high school, already resulting in 50% less discipline issues and a decrease in tardies. His next goal is increasing attendance with the help of the parents.

Photo: The Dunedin High School Interact representatives, along with Pascale Freyer, Lynne Smeraldo, Dunedin advisor; and Reuben Hepburn.

Seminole Lake Rotary Assists Fire Department with Christmas Gifts



For over thirty years the Seminole fire fighters have used various fund raisers at community events to raise money which was used to purchase gifts for Seminole area children who would have been lacking in Christmas gifts due to their family's economic needs. Every year over \$4000 was raised and presents purchased and then carefully wrapped by the fire fighters and their families. This year, due to the worsening economy, only \$3000 was raised and yet the needs were greater than ever. The Rotary Club of Seminole Lake donated \$1000 to make sure the fire fighters could help as many children as possible. On Sunday, December 19, fire fighters, Seminole Lake members and their families wrapped the gifts at Station 29. The gifts will be distributed prior to Christmas.

Picture: (in foreground) Chief Elf, George Bessler, wrapping gifts
Submitted by Gene Stern



Stop Hunger Now - Can You Help?

Pinellas Park Rotary Club Paul Harris Quarterly Lottery Winner

The Pinellas Park Rotary Club holds a Paul Harris Lottery Drawing at the end of each Quarter. Ten members pay \$140, for a total of \$1400. \$500 is taken out of that amount and our Pinellas Park Club adds \$500 to make a total of \$1,000 Paul Harris Award for the Lottery Drawing winner. The Balance of \$900 is awarded to the 9 participants who did not win the lottery. That amount goes to their sustaining membership. Even if a member enters the Lottery five times and is not lucky enough to win the Lottery, he or she still will have earned his or her Paul Harris Pin as the club matches that \$500. It is a Win/WIN situation for all concerned.

This month, Joe Minarik, Chairman of our Paul Harris Quarterly Lottery conducted a foundation drawing for this quarter's winner. Our Guest Speaker, Karen Buesing, called out "Door #2" and out popped John Donaghy as the \$1000 Paul Harris winner. The 9 other participants were George Carter, Pete Molinaro, Ken Bray, Joe Kolodziej, Jerry Wennlund, Joe Minarik, Dave Sideri, Bruce Cloud and Kevin Burkart. Each received \$100 toward their Paul Harris sustaining membership.

Rotary International Recognizes Three Paul Harris Fellows in Belleair



EdShaughnessy, representing the Rotary Foundation, recognizes three Belleair Rotarian's as Paul Harris Fellows. They are

(from the left) John Campion, Madonna Campion, and Petty Perkins. Paul Harris Fellow Recognition provides a very important incentive for the continued support needed to underwrite the many programs of The Rotary Foundation that builds goodwill and understanding in the world.

The Rotary Clubs of Citrus County are preparing for their second annual Stop Hunger Now project.



I would like to open this up to all clubs in the district to see if any are interested in participating in this project.

There is no minimum contribution required and because this is an international project it should count toward getting your Presidential Citation. If the club itself isn't able to participate maybe some of your club members would be interested in donating or volunteering.

Last year we were able to assemble 50,000 plus meals that fed the disaster victims in Haiti. A number of meals also went to Ghana where they were distributed at the schools. Feeding the kids in Ghana was very uplifting because not only were we feeding children but because the parents knew that if they sent

their children to school they would be fed, it also helped the children get an education.

The event is on February 26, 2011 in Crystal River at the Crystal River High School. The time of the event is not yet set, but please contact AG Tom Feeny at tfeeny@chronicleonline.com for more information.

You can send donations to:
The Rotary Club of Crystal River
PO Box 1207
Crystal River Florida 34423

Sunrise Rotary Club of Dade City Provides Underwear & Socks



Basic clothing needs of the children were addressed at the Dade City Toys For Tots distribution this past Christmas. For the past five years, the Sunrise and Noon Rotary Clubs of Dade City have pooled their resources to purchase socks and underwear to be given out at the event as one of their many service projects. For the third year, Dr. Mili Patel, Smile Design Dentistry, provided toothbrushes and toothpaste for the children.

The Sunrise Club handles the distribution at the event and sees first-hand the ever-increasing need for helping the families provide these items for their children. The only disappointment for the club is that they don't have enough to give the anxious parents. Next year, the club hopes to contact more businesses and clothing manufacturers to participate in order to increase the numbers of families served. Kudos to Beall's Outlet for annually helping to provide the clothing items at a greatly reduced cost. Every pair of socks and underwear is greatly appreciated by the families. So basic, but so needed.



Wayne Berryhill-Rotary Club of Port Richey, ringing the bells for the Salvation Army at the Wal Mart in Port Richey



Donna Leonard, new member of the Rotary Club of Port Richey and coordinator of the Interact Club at Ridgewood High School.... ringing the bells for the Salvation Army.

Little shoppers prepare for merry Christmas



The store was bustling with activity early Saturday morning. Customers were lined up outside in the bitter cold with shopping lists in hand before the doors even opened. It looked like a typical busy Christmastime shopping day, except for one thing.

All of the shoppers were children.

A closer look revealed none of those children were with their parents. Rather than shopping with their families, they were shopping for them. Jewelry for moms, sweaters for dads, toys for sisters and brothers and presents for aunts, uncles and grandparents.

Each year, Rotary Clubs in Citrus County treat underprivileged students to a day of shopping at the Crystal River Kmart, which opened early on Saturday so that Rotary members and kids could shop. Santa and Mrs. Claus ushered the elementary school-aged children into the store.

The young shoppers had plenty of help from Rotary Club members and members of Rotaries high school and college organizations.

This year, more than 100 children received \$100 gift cards that enabled them to select just the right gifts for their loved ones and a little something for themselves.

Many of them said this was their first time buying Christmas presents for family members.

"I got presents for everyone," said 8-year-old Jacob, who sought the advice of his helpers, Interact members Elizabeth Lynch and Rachel Albrecht, both 16-year-old Citrus High School students, for each purchase.

For 8-year-old Stacey, smart shopping meant modifying her original gift list, which at first included a DVD player that would have caused her to go over budget.

"We are improvising. She's coming up with a whole new list," said Rotary member Linda Daly. "She has a lot of great ideas."

Daly has been participating in the Rotary Christmas shopping program for 10 years. The program itself started with Rotary Club of Crystal River more than 25 years ago.

Deborah Richmond, a Floral City resident who is helping her friend raise one of Saturday's young shoppers, said people tend to think of disadvantaged families living in other countries, but sometimes fail to recognize that there are local children who need help.

"People who aren't going through it don't realize that it's their neighbor, not someone in another country or another city, but right here," she said.

"I just think right now, there are so many children in need. I think it's very touching that they (Rotary members) are doing that. These are very special people."

Rotary Club of Crystal River member Keith Taylor said the goal of the program is simply to help the children have a happier Christmas.

"The purpose is to help those less fortunate at this time of year, so they can have a more enjoyable holiday," he said. "They can enjoy it individually, for themselves, and with their families."

After making their purchases Saturday morning, children went to Plantation

Seminole Lake Rotary Receives Major Recognition



Past District Governor Cliff Snedeker presented a significant recognition to Seminole Lake Rotary President Earl Fratus at the regularly scheduled breakfast meeting on Friday Dec 10.

The Citation was from The Rotary Foundation congratulating Seminole Lake Rotary (SLR) on a number of significant milestones in donations given to The Rotary Foundation. SLR was recognized as the third highest per capita giving Club in District 6950 (consisting of over 50 Clubs) and one of the 1555 Clubs (out of over 35,000) to achieve Top Three in per Capita Annual Giving in the world. SLR gave \$273 per capita to The Rotary Foundation.

For further information, please contact Gene Stern at 727 369 1512 or gsstern@LFG.com

Photo (L-R): President Earl Fratus and Past District Governor Snedeker

By Gene Stern, Publicity Chair, Seminole Lake Rotary Club

Golf Resort & Spa to wrap presents, eat pizza and win prizes. The event is made possible by Citrus County Rotary Clubs, Rotary members, who donate money as well as their time, Kmart, and grant funding.

By Amanda Mims. Story reprinted from www.chronicleonline.com

Photo: Barbara Shook, PP Patty Silvey and Don Shook of the Crystal River club.



Meeting locations have been updated.

Please refer to this list when checking on club meeting days and locations.

Welcome to our new, returning and transferring Rotarians!

December 2010

District 6950 Attendance for November 2010 & Club Meeting Location

Club	Members	Members Current	Average Attend%	Meeting Location
Belleair	35	38	100	Thu Noon - Belleair Country Club (25 Belleview Rd)
Brooksville	62	57	76.5	Tue Noon - Brooksville Country Club (23446 Links Drive)
Central Citrus County	31	32	80.99	Wed 7:30am - Black Diamond Country Club (St. Rd. 491, Lecanto)
Clearwater	123	124	69.14	Wed 12:15pm - Belleair Country Club
Clearwater Beach	20	26	73.5	Thu 12:15pm - The Wave, inside Shephards Beach Resort, on Gulfview Blvd.
Clearwater East	43	46	77.06	Fri Noon - Pssghetti's (26200 US Hwy 19N, Clearwater)
Crystal River	65	63	71.13	Mon 12:15pm - Plantation Inn and Golf Resort
Crystal River-Kings Bay	45	45	80.67	Wed 12:15pm - Cafe on the Avenue, Citrus Avenue, Crystal River
Dade City	49	50	72	Mon 12:15pm - Dade City Business Center - John Hornbuckle Meeting Rm, 3rd Fl
Dade City Sunrise	25	22	59.09	Thu 7:00am - Kafe Kokopelli (Meridan and Live Oak)
Dunedin	61	63	69.71	Tue 12:15pm - Church of Good Shepherd (629 Edgewater Dr)
Dunedin North	66	64	85.1	Wed 7:30am - Dunedin Country Club (1050 Palm Blvd)
Dunedin Waterside	0	0	0	Wed 6:30pm - Bon Appetit
East Lake Sunrise	32	27	72.84	Thu 7:30am - East Lake Woodlands CC (1055 East Lake Woodlands Pkwy)
Gulf Beaches	20	22	84	Tue 12:15pm - Treasure Island Yacht & Tennis Club (400 Treasure Island Causeway)
Holiday	67	58	74.25	Tue Noon - IHOP (U.S. Hwy. 19, NPR)
Homosassa Springs	23	22	62.7	Thu 7am - Luigi's (4538 Suncoast Blvd - US19)
Hudson	24	25	87.57	Thu Noon - CARES Enrichment Center (12417 Clock Tower Pkwy) Hudson, Bayonet Pt.
Indian Rocks Beach	34	36	78.47	Wed 7:15am Jimmy Guana's Restaurant, Holiday Inn Harborside (401 2nd St)
Inverness	57	66	75.03	Tue Noon - Lakeside Country Club (4555 E. Windmill Dr.)
Land O'Lakes	13	14	79	Mon 12:15pm - Rapsallion's Restaurant (US 41)
Largo	39	35	91.43	Mon Noon - Alfano's Restaurant (1702 Clwtr/Largo Rd)
New Port Richey	129	130	79.87	Wed 12:15pm - Spartan Manor (6121 Massachusetts Avenue)
Oldsmar/East Lake	20	21	60	Thu 12:15pm - Daddy's Grill, Tampa Rd
Palm Harbor	15	15	0	Wed 12:15pm - Carabbas, 33983 U.S. 19 N Palm Harbor 34684
Pinellas Feather Sound	9	11	85.45	Tue 5:30pm - Liberty Lanes, Largo
Pinellas Park	30	29	87	Thu 12:15pm - Banquet Masters (8100 Park Blvd.)
Port Richey	32	34	85.29	Fri Noon - Whiskey River Sports Grill (5235 Limestone Drive, PR)
Safety Harbor	16	15	87.8	Fri 7:30am - Safety Harbor Spa (105 N Bayshore Dr)
San Antonio	20	21	43.8	Tue Noon - Tampa Bay Golf & Country Club (St Rd 52)
Seminole	65	66	84	Wed 12:15pm - Lake Seminole Golf & Country Club (6100 Augusta Blvd)
Seminole Lake	34	34	84	Fri 7:15am - Freedom Square Seminole, Roskamp Auditorium
Seven Springs	48	56	75.31	Thu 7:30am - Seven Springs Country Club (3535 Trophy Blvd)
Spring Hill	12	13	87.1	Thu 7:45am - IHOP Restaurant (US19)
Spring Hill Central	29	24	59	Thu 11:45am - Silverthorn Country Club (Spring Hill)
St. Petersburg	113	112	71	Fri Noon - Orange Blossom Catering (220 4th St. N)
St. Petersburg Suncoast	8	10	64	Thu 12:15pm - Gigi's Italian Restaurant (6852 Gulfport Street, South Pasadena)
St. Petersburg Sunrise	27	28	87.86	Tue 7:45 am - St Petersburg Yacht Club (11 Central Ave)
St. Petersburg West	30	30	83.17	Wed 7:45am - Treasure Island Tennis & Yacht Club (400 Island Causway, Treasure Island)
Sugarmill Woods-Citrus County	22	18	93.24	Tue 5:00pm - Sugarmill Woods Country Club, Homosassa
Tarpon Springs	72	74	80.73	Thu 12:15pm - Tarpon Springs Yacht Club (350 S. Spring Blvd)
Trinity	65	70	69.05	Fri 12:15pm - Heritage Springs Country Club
Wesley Chapel	0	32	73.77	Wed 12:15pm - Dempsey's Restaurant, Saddlebrook Resort
Wesley Chapel Sunrise	8	9	88.89	Fri 7:15am - Lexington Oaks Golf Club, 26133 Lexington Oaks Blvd off SR 54 near I-75
Zephyrhills	42	46	62.31	Thurs 12:15pm - Zephyrhills Rotary Youth building, Shepard Park
Zephyrhills Daybreak	33	30	82	Wed 7:00am - First United Methodist Church, 38635 Fifth Ave, Zephyrhills
Rotary E-Club of Southeast USA & Caribbean	31	34	85.29	Anytime at www.rotaryclub34.org.

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Parker, Sherri C (SHERRI)
McFarland-Bryant, Cheryl (CHERYL)

Dunedin
Robinson, John B (JOHN)

Indian Rocks Beach
Galinski, Christine Cash (CHRISTINE)
Kisida, Richard (RICHARD)

New Port Richey
Schneiger, John (JOHN)

Port Richey
Barcelo, Erik (ERIK)

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Jones, Judy (JUDY)

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Bessler, George (GEORGE)
Saliba, Orlando (ORLANDO)

San Antonio
Cornell, Leah (LEAH)

St. Petersburg West
Burkett, Jake (JAKE)

Tarpon Springs
Russell, Julie (JULIE)

Trinity
Horton, Georgia (GEORGIA)
Cornell, Ryan G (RYAN)
Fawcett, Gail S. (GAIL)

Wesley Chapel
Curry, Nancy (NANCY)
Zichy, Beverly (BEVERLY)
Manuel, Jacky (JACKY)
Rivera, Pablo (PABLO)



7th Annual Rotary Goes to the Dogs for S4TL

When: Saturday February 12th, 2011

Where: Derby Lane 10490 Gandy Blvd. St. Petersburg, FL

Time: 11:30 – 4:30 PM

Dress: Wear your Rotary colors

Cost: Nada, Zilch, Zero, Zip..which includes free parking and lunch!

Who Benefits: S4TL Foundation. Derby Lane has awarded thousands of dollars to keep this unique West and Central Florida Rotary program solvent

What's New: Register online at: (this is a must!)

<http://www.ismyrotaryclub.org/Register/GuestMemberExternal.cfm?EventID=77155541>

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