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Rotary International Service above Self Award

Awarded to PDG Paul Slosberg, Rotary Club of Central Citrus County

In bestowing Rotary's highest honor for individual Rotarians on PDG Paul Slosberg, the Board of Directors of Rotary International recognized Paul's ongoing exemplary humanitarian service, his extensive personal volunteer efforts, and his active involvement in helping others through Rotary. Each year, no more than 150 Rotarians in the world receive this honor. Paul is truly worthy of this, Rotary's highest honor!

Rotary International Significant Achievement Award

Awarded to the Rotary Club of Trinity's Cook 4 Kids Program

Each month, Trinity members buy food, don aprons and have fun making home cooked meals for abused and neglected teens sheltered at The RAP House in Pasco County. Food purchases supplement RAP's tight food budget. The nourishing meals are enjoyed by the hungry teens and send a powerful, attitude-changing message that Rotarians care deeply about them. Cook 4 Kids was recognized for involving a majority of club members in an easily duplicated program that effectively addresses a significant need in the community. Congratulations, Trinity!



Rotary International Club Builder Award

Awarded to Ed Lurie, Rotary Club of Seminole

Ed Lurie may well be the father of the Rotary Club of Seminole! Through the years, Ed has sponsored 43 members, 23 of whom are still active Rotarians. Twenty-five years ago, Ed began a micro-lending project to help teens begin lawn mowing businesses. This year, Ed sponsored into Rotary one of those teen entrepreneurs, who is now a successful adult businessman. Ed Lurie received the first ever Rotary International Club Builder Award in recognition of the significant impact he has made in supporting and strengthening his Rotary club through membership recruitment and development, vocational service, and program participation.



Rotary As A Sunset

In October, 2011, I will celebrate my 24th year as a member of the Rotary Club of Tarpon Springs. During those years my understanding of the vastness of Rotary's outreach and my appreciation for its amazing accomplishments has steadily grown. As a neophyte Rotarian, way back in October, 1987, more often than not, I just didn't "get it." Slowly and steadily, I began to catch on.

At this point in my Rotary journey, I stand at an unusual crossroads. I believe that nothing is beyond Rotary's ability. Paraphrasing a favorite quote, Rotary has demonstrated time and time again that we should "never doubt the ability of a small group of concerned and dedicated people to change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." On one hand, that belief means that nothing that we do, no problem that we tackle, no resolution we bring about, surprises me. Yet, on the other hand, the projects we Rotarians do, the problems we tackle,

the resolutions we bring about, never fails to astound me.

Rotary, you see, is a bit like a sunset. We know that star we call our sun, will rise each morning and set each evening. Its rising and setting don't surprise us. Yet, sometimes, the common, ordinary elements of the sun's passing from day to night, combine to give us a sunset that is so stunning, we are compelled to notice it. We are astounded and overwhelmed by its spectacular beauty.

So too, have I been astounded and overwhelmed by your courage, dedication, and spirit.

My greatest hope for this year was that this class would have the dedication, the courage, and the wisdom to wear the mantle of Rotary leadership well.

That our efforts would increase Rotary's standing as the world's GREAT-EST service organization, not only when measured by membership numbers, but also when measured by each member's

commitment to the ideals of Rotary.

That our service would strengthen the bedrock foundation upon which Rotary is built so that future generations of Rotarians would be able to build upon solid ground.

Our path follows the course charted by the elemental truths of Rotary. Those truths so eloquently defined by the men and women who have served before us. Service Above Self. He profits most who serves the best. And by our adherence to Rotary's core values of leadership, integrity, service, diversity, and fellowship.

I asked you to aim high this year, to strive to become the best you could be, to attain your full potential. I asked you to give Rotary your best. You have succeeded in exceeding my expectations! I am speechless!

Thank you!

Lynda

Keith Kurber ACE Award

Awarded to the Eastside 8



The Keith Kurber ACE Award is presented for area cooperative excellence to a group of Rotary clubs and their Assistant Governor(s) who have joined forces to improve their communities and have worked together to create bigger and better projects for the betterment of the people in their area and beyond. The 2010-11 Keith Kurber ACE Award was presented to the Rotary Clubs and Assistant Governors of The Eastside 8. This group includes the Rotary Club of Dade City, Rotary Club of Dade City Sunrise, Rotary Club of Land O Lakes, Rotary Club of San Antonio, Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel, Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel Sunrise, Rotary Club of Zephyrhills, and Rotary Club of Zephyrhills Daybreak. Congratulations to all Rotarians in these eight clubs and special thanks to Assistant Governors Betty Burke and Mike Wootton for a great year!

2010 -2011 Presidential Citations with Distinction

Rotary Club of Belleair Club President Vicki Morgan	Rotary Club of Homosassa Springs Club President David Worlton	Rotary Club of Seminole Lake Club President Earl Fratus
Rotary Club of Central Citrus County Club President Nancy Ayres	Rotary Club of Indian Rocks Beach Club President Bruce Sobut	Rotary Club of Seven Springs Club President Kiran Kumar
Rotary Club of Clearwater Club President Ann Kerr	Rotary Club of Inverness Club President Charles Richer	Rotary Club of Spring Hill Club President Nick Nicholson
Rotary Club of Clearwater East Club President Mary Grace Duffy	Rotary Club of Land O' Lakes Club President Curt Zeigler	Rotary Club of Spring Hill Central Club President Mike Fitzgerald
Rotary Club of Crystal River Club President Carl Flanagan	Rotary Club of Largo Club President Linda Flower	Rotary Club of St Petersburg Club President Chris Finch
Rotary Club of Crystal River-Kings Bay Club President Ed Wilsek	Rotary Club of New Port Richey Club President Allen Sigmon	Rotary Club of St Petersburg Sunrise Club President Boyd Acklin
Rotary Club of Dade City Sunrise Club President Andrea Mason	Rotary Club of Palm Harbor Club President Rod Amicone	Rotary Club of St Petersburg West Club President Joe Mueller
Rotary Club of Dunedin Club President Melissa McCormick Jim Haley	Rotary Club of Pinellas Feather Sound Club President Denise Dowling	Rotary Club of Sugarmill Woods- Citrus County Club President John Hudson
Rotary Club of Dunedin North Club President Drew Gracy	Rotary Club of Pinellas Park Club President Hope Peterson	Rotary Club of Trinity Club President Sandy Barley
Rotary Club of Gulf Beaches Club President John Meaghr	Rotary Club San Antonio Club President Rozanne Ritter	Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel Club President John Negley
	Rotary Club of Seminole Club President Mary K Larmore	

2010 -2011 Presidential Citations

Rotary Club of Brooksville Club President Robert Osmond	Rotary Club of Hudson Club President Bill Demers	Rotary Club of Tarpon Springs Club President Herb Elliott
Rotary Club of Dade City Club President Cliff Martin	Rotary Club of Oldsmar/East Lake Club President Jeff Rathmell	Rotary Club of Wesley Chapel Sunrise Club President Don Snyder
Rotary Club of Dunedin Waterside Club President John Downes	Rotary Club of Port Richey Club President Perry Bean	Rotary Club of Zephyrhills Club President Mike Waters
Rotary Club of East Lake Sunrise Club President Rich Dowdy	Rotary Club of Safety Harbor Club President Wayne Mineo	Rotary Club of Zephyrhills Daybreak Club President Lea McKenney
Rotary Club of Holiday Club President Ronald Taylor	Rotary Club of St Petersburg Sunset Club President Hunter Zager	

2010 -2011 Governor's Commendations

Rotary Club of Clearwater at Feather- sound Club President Kurt Trost	Rotary Club of Clearwater Beach Club President Sul Hemani	Rotary E-Club of SE USA & Caribbean Club President Rev Richard Wingate
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Rotary International Awards

Club Builder Award- Ed Lurie, Seminole

Service Above Self Award

Paul Slosberg, Central Citrus County
(this is the highest award given by RI, only 150 recipients worldwide each year)

The Rotary Foundation

Citation for Meritorious Service – Jared Brown, Clearwater

District Awards

District Spirit Awards

Club Service – Evie Parks, New Port Richey
Community Service – Patty Silvey, Crystal River
Vocational Service – Hope Peterson, Pinellas Park
International Service – Roger Proffer, Sr. Crystal River, Kings Bay
New Generations – Perry Bean, Port Richey
Public Relations – Randy Gailit, Land O'Lakes

Club President of the Year

The club President of the Year will have achieved the goals set forth by Rotary International via the Presidential Citation, have lead their club well with obvious and purposeful club activity in their community, participation in district events, have dues paid on time, and have participated in training members of the club to lead the following year.

Small Club - Curt Zeigler, Land O'Lakes
Medium Club – Bruce Sobut, Indian Rocks Beach
Large Club – Sandy Barley, Trinity

Club of the Year

The Club of the Year will have reached the highest levels of success in all areas of club activities through the unified efforts of all of its members. The club will have fulfilled all the criteria set forth in Rotary International's Presidential Citation, completed significant club activities in their community and beyond, participated in district events and in Rotary International programs, supported the goals of The Rotary Foundation, and worked to develop the full potential of their club and its members while advancing the Object of Rotary.

Small Club – Wesley Chapel
Medium Club – St. Petersburg Sunrise
Large Club - Inverness
Distinguished Club Award- Pinellas Feathersound

Assistant Governor of the Year

Carol Kinnard, Trinity

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Milton O. & Alice Jones Exemplary Service Award

Allen Baker, Belleair

This award is given to a Rotarian who has given a considerable amount of time in service to Rotary in club, district and beyond. "This award is given in recognition of outstanding performance, personal commitment and dedication to the ideals of Rotarian service to community, district and the world."

Woodrow V. Register Distinguished Leadership Award

Richard Trump, Brooksville

This leadership award is given to a dedicated Rotarian who lives the ideals of Rotary and works to instill it in others. They have given considerable time in developing leaders to work not only at the district level, but also beyond. Only individuals who have given exemplary time and acted with great honor will be considered for this award.

"This award is recognition of dedicated commitment to Rotary, preserving its ideals and leading others to believe in Truth, Fairness, Good Will and Better Friendships. Your leadership has changed so many lives and your presence has made the world a much better place."

Herbert G. & Diane Brown Humanitarian Award

John Gallant, Belleair

This award is to be held in the highest esteem and it is not expected to be given each year. It is for a lifetime of honoring the ideals of Rotary, working diligently for the betterment of life for all, especially the children, throughout the world.

"For a life devoted to the promotion of peace through the alleviation of the world's suffering by improving health, hunger, water and literacy, especially with the children and through them, our future".

Rotarian of the Year

Cliff Snedeker, Clearwater

This is presented each year to one person most deserving in the District who has performed above and beyond anyone else in the opinion of the District Governor. Their performance includes participation, leadership, effectiveness, and support of Rotary ideals. The recipient will have participated beyond the club level, and hopefully throughout the district. Financial donations to the Rotary Foundation or District projects are not a consideration.



DISTRICT CALENDAR

Thursday, June 16th
Beer & Wine Festival - 5pm
 Clearwater at Feathersound
 Beef O' Brady's,
 2325 Ulmerton Road,
 Clearwater 33762

Saturday, July 2nd
Uncle Sam Scallop Jam & Road Rally
 Crystal River
 Join us for all the fun in Downtown Crystal River off Citrus Avenue in Kings Bay Park. Food, Fun, Fireworks and Beer!
 Accepting applications for crafters. If interested, you can email Marc Shapot, Committee Chair at <http://www.crystalriverrotary.com>
 There is also a Road Rally that Marc can sign you up for, as well!
 Don't miss a great time!

July 21st to July 23rd
Caribbean Partnership Celebration 2011
 Join us for our Caribbean Partnership Celebration Meeting July 21-23, 2011, in Reston, Virginia, and learn how your Rotary club can work with other Rotary clubs in Zones 33 and 34 to establish:

- Exciting Fellowship Opportunities with Rotarians living in distant countries.
- Enhanced Project Opportunities with a partner who knows the culture, community, and contacts.
- Improved Grant Opportunities
- through matching grants that will make a real difference on an international scale.

Sheraton Hotel, Reston, VA .
 The cut-off date for the hotel block rate is 6/28/11. Rooms are \$69/night

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The Rotary Club of Seminole worked this year at the Outback Golf Tournament at TPC course in Tampa. This is a yearly event and fundraiser for the club.

We have a large number of rotarians and their family members that work the event. This year we had a family of three generations, the Claude McMullen family. Claude's wife, sue worked along with their son, Jason and grandchildren, Jackson and Chloe.

Rotary Club of Belleair Learns the History of the Shroud of Turin



To the left is an image of the Shroud of Turin, in the middle Dr. Bob Bialas of Belleair Rotary Club and to the right Dr Wayne Phillips.

Belleair Rotary Club had Dr Wayne Phillips as the Guest Speaker. He spoke about "The Shroud of Turin – witness to the resurrection or the work of a medieval artist?"

Dr. Phillips became interested in the Shroud some thirty years ago and was initially skeptical. As he began his study, he concentrated on a field of investigation that permitted him to draw on his own professional training: pollen and allergies. He then studied blood serum evidence and several other forensic aspects of Shroud-related science, including the use of carbon dating.

Dr. Phillips presentation began with a biblical reference to Mark 15:46 which refers to the use of a linen cloth to cover the body of Christ. A detailed blown-up photo of the Shroud reveals it to be 14' x 3' and to bear the image of a nude person. A visual inspection of the cloth reveals blood stains in the areas of the forehead, wrist, side and foot, the presence of long hair, a mustache and beard, burn marks and water stains.

The first documentary evidence mentioning the Shroud can be traced back to 1355 to 1452 A.D. It is believed that the Shroud first remained in Jerusalem from 0 to 30 A.D. It was then taken to Edessa (Turkey) from 30 to 944 A.D. while Edes-

sa was a Christian city. There it remained hidden for generations before it was discovered. Once discovered, it is believed to have had an impact on the artistic depictions of Christ and paintings from the period show a Christ with a beard and mustache, similar to that seen on the Shroud.

The Shroud was then removed to Constantinople where it remained from approximately 944

to 1357. Both literature and art indicate the Shroud's presence in the city during that period. The 4th Crusade resulted in the Shroud's removal to France, where it eventually fell into the hands of The Knights Templar and was taken to Italy. In 1985 the House of Savoy gave the Shroud to the Vatican, where it resides to this day.

Dr. Phillips provided an overview of the forensic examinations to which the Shroud has been exposed over the years. A double negative photo of the cloth produced a positive image in which many details became more visible. Some of these details included signs of swollen flesh, blood, water, and sand.

In 1977 NASA provided a UP8 Image Analyzer which produced an enhanced 3D image, taken from the two dimensional image on the Shroud. In 1978 a group of researchers embarked on the Shroud Turin Research Project (STURP). This group utilized a number of tests including the following:

- X-Rays: revealing blood on the fabric
- Pollen Analysis: 3 identified from Jerusalem, 15 from Israel, and 60 from Constantinople, France, and Italy.
- Blood Analysis: human,

type AB, common in the Middle East, x & y chromosomes, gene #11 identified.

Enhanced blood stains identified on head, chest & back, 18 puncture wounds from a flagrum (scourge). Blood on wrists. Note that no thumbs are visible; however the medial nerve in the wrist causes the thumb to pull under the palm when the nerve is damaged. Blood and water in combination believed to be in response to the pooling of water in the chest cavity, and the puncture of the cavity and the heart. Blood and sand on the feet; sand texture similar to that found in Israel.

Between 1978 and 1988 over 100 studies were made of the Shroud to determine authenticity. In 1988 a single portion of the Shroud was subjected to C14 carbon dating analysis. The conclusion: the cloth dated from 1260 to 1390 A.D. and therefore could not be authentic. Dr. Phillips said that his belief in the authenticity of the Shroud was shattered until a review of these conclusions was conducted in 2000. The review focused on the nature of the cloth itself, with a focus on the single portion that had been submitted to the C14 dating process. The review was conducted by Ray Rogers, who had worked on the original STURP team. He observed that a dye found on the C14 sample was not found on the majority of the Shroud. He came to the conclusion that newer cloth (dyed) had been woven into the original fabric. This was also supported by the observation that the newer cloth (cotton) was woven into the original (linen).

Dr. Phillips concluded by explaining the faith-based theory that the flat image of Christ that appears on the Shroud was the result of an extremely accelerated disintegration of the body. This extraordinary process thereby produced the image as a result of a "corona discharge of electrons"; in other words, the extraordinary effect of light upon the cloth.

Belleair Rotary Club thanked Dr. Phillips for his time and an extremely informative and entertaining presentation. Further information about the Shroud can be found at: www.shroud.com



Dunedin North takes trash seriously!



Dunedin North is not afraid of a little hard work. Each quarter, 10 to 16 members join forces to pick up trash along a 2-mile stretch on Alternate 19 in Dunedin. The orange vests easily are seen, bringing honks of approval from passing cars and thumbs up from the Pinellas Trail goers. Then all trash-pickers are recognized at the weekly meeting, receiving a star and applause for their hard work.



Trinity Rotarians Support Child Abuse Prevention

The Rotary Club of Trinity donated \$500 to the Healthy Families Pasco-Hernando Program to support their annual Family Graduation. Five Trinity Rotarians volunteered at the event. Glenn Hanff kept the evening rolling as the Emcee and Tish Green, Tina Shelton, Tim Sherrell and Eddie Stevens helped plate up and serve the delicious meal prepared by Pit Boss BBQ. The Graduation honored nine graduate families with 10 children. Fifty-seven adults and 41 children attended the ceremony to honor the Graduates and their successes toward achieving self-sufficiency. Glenn introduced each Resource Mom who home visited the families for the last 4-5 years. The Resource Mom proudly announced the family's accomplishments and presented them with a Graduation Certificate and gift. The Graduates shared the how Healthy Families Program provided them with parenting education, goal setting and problem solving skills to overcome any challenge.



Picture left to right: Glenn Hanff, Tim Sherrell, Tish Green, Tina Shelton and Eddie Stevens.

Rotary Youth Exchange Student from France Attends RI Convention



Pictured at the Rotary International Convention in New Orleans is District 6950 Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) student Heloise Hubert (right) and Sandra Fitzgerald (left) wife of Mike Fitzgerald who is President of the Spring Hill Central Rotary Club.

Heloise is in the U.S. for 10 months on a Rotary Youth Exchange from France and has been an outstanding representative of the program. She will be attending the Rotary District 6950 District Conference in St Petersburg Beach June 3 & 4 and will be part of the Saturday 9 am Plenary Session presentation along with other outbound students from our district due to go overseas in August. Heloise will be speaking about her experience in New Orleans and the outbounds will discuss their reasons for wanting to spend 10 months going to high school in a foreign country.

Heloise is so excited about the opportunities that Rotary has provided her that she can't get enough participation in Rotary events. She gladly accepts opportunities to speak to club meetings in her area to help promote RYE. That

is why when she asked if she could attend the RI Convention we worked out the many details necessary for her to go. Her sponsor club Tarpon Springs Rotary took up a collection to provide her with the money to cover her expenses and District Governor Lynda Vinson canvassed the membership of the 50 clubs in the district to see who could go as her chaperone, which is one of the most important details. Fortunately Mike and Sandra were happy to volunteer. We expect great things from Heloise in the future when she returns home to France in July and spreads the word about her experiences in America as a Rotary Youth Exchange student.

In the meantime if you would like Heloise as a speaker for your club contact RYE District 6950 Chairperson Doug Lobel at dlobel@tampabay.rr.com or call him at 352-400-0540.

Bluegrass Festival

The Rotary Club of Indian Rocks Beach participated in the Beach Art Center's Bluegrass Festival on Saturday, May 21st.

Bluegrass music was provided from 3 PM to 7 PM by Gator Grass and The Crystal Beach String Band.

The Club handled beer sales in support of the Beach Art Center. Several hundred people attended the event with many members of the club lending a hand. Special thanks to the Rotary Club of the Gulf Beaches for sending some of their members to help out.



Miles for Melanoma

Gourmet Dinner Raffle

The Rotary Club of Seminole Lake is, selling \$10 tickets for a Gourmet Dinner for Ten to be prepared by Chef Bebell at a home or the Restaurant, Mystic Fish. Only 700 tickets will be sold and the dinner will include wine, appetizer, main course and dessert.

\$2000 of the proceeds will be used to fund a scholarship at SPC for a graduating Osceola High student.

Forticketsormoreinformationplease call Gene Stern at 727-369-1512 or ggstern46@yahoo.com.



Members of the Rotary Club of Indian Rocks Beach ran as "Team IRB Rotary" in the Suncoast Miles for Melanoma 5K on Saturday, May 7th. The club donated \$100 per Rotary Club member and Gunter Neumueller added another \$100 raising the total contribution to \$600 for the Melanoma Research Foundation. Rotarians Bill Atkinson, Lynn Johler, Gunter Neumueller and Bruce Sobut each won their respective age groups. Rotarian Noelle Daniel was unable to participate due to illness. Also running to support Team IRB Rotary were Elizabeth, Jessica, and Emily Atkinson and Ana Victoria Valez.

If not caught early, melanoma is known to be the most deadly of all skin cancers. Melanoma can be successfully removed and monitored by regular skin screenings in its early stages. However, the disease is deadly in its most advanced stages as few treatment options exist. The median lifespan for patients with advanced melanoma is less than one year.

The statistics around melanoma are astounding:

- One-in-50 Americans has a lifetime risk of developing melanoma.
- In 2009 nearly 63,000 were diagnosed with melanoma in the United States, resulting in approximately 8,650 deaths.
- The projected numbers for 2010 are even higher with 68,130 diagnosis and 8,700 deaths.

This means that every eight minutes, someone in the United States will be given a melanoma diagnosis and that every hour someone will die from the disease'.

- The American Cancer Society estimates that the risk of developing invasive melanoma in the United States is 1 in 41 and 1 in 61 for men and women, respectfully.
- The incidence of people under 30 developing melanoma is increasing faster than any other demographic group, soaring by 50 percent in young women since 1980.
- Melanoma primarily affects individuals in the prime years of life and is the most common form of cancer for young adults 25-29 years old and the second most common cancer in adolescents and young adults 15-29 years old.
- Although melanoma is most common in Caucasians, melanoma can strike men and women of all ages, all races and all skin types. The mean age for diagnosis of melanoma is 50, while for many other cancers it is 65-70 years old.

Photo left to right: (Back Row) Elizabeth, Emily, Jessica, and Bill Atkinson, Lynn Johler, Bruce Sobut, Ana Victoria Valdez, Gunter Neumueller, and Carolyn Edrington. (Front Row) Jamie Hale-Hollenbeck and Brooke Walls

Photo by: Gunter Neumueller



Trinity Rotary Float in Chasco Boat Parade



\$1000.00 for Richard L. Sanders School

Pinellas Park Rotary President, Hope Peterson, and Past President, Peter Molinaro, who initiated the scholarship program last year, presented \$1,000.00 to Richard L. Sanders School for scholarships. RLS is a Middle, High and Extended Transition School. They are most grateful and have truly expressed the positive impact this has on the recipients. The Pinellas Park Rotary's goal is to improve the lives of children and this scholarship helps make that possible.



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Dunedin North takes advantage of a DSG

– by Deborah Sutton

According to the Florida Department of Health and Human Services, 1 out of 10 emergency room visits are due to avoidable emergency dental issues.

This is just one statistic that launched the mission of Robert B. Ettlman DDS to provide low cost dental care through education, prevention and treatment of diseases to low income adults. This organization is Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Inc.

Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Inc was formed in 2007, by Robert B. Ettlman, who saw firsthand the great need for affordable dentistry in the tri-county area. Over 400,000 individuals in Pinellas County live below the Federal poverty level, but only 5% of those adults have access to dental care.

Since the program began in 2007, Gulf Coast Dental Outreach, Inc. has provided 823,000 usual customary rates for dental services and 2,900 volunteer hours. It is not an emergency or walk-in-clinic, but currently operates by appointment, three Fridays of the month, at the office of Thomas Garmon, DMD located at 2323 Curlew Rd. in Dunedin.

Patients pay just \$15 per tooth for most procedures and general hygiene visits. The services provided range from fillings to dentures, no matter how many surfaces are necessary. "Charging a small fee for these services still gives the patients a sense of dignity," says Cheryl Small, Executive Director of Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Inc. Those requiring more advanced procedures are referred to one of the 22 dental specialists who provide a range of more complex care at no cost or reduced fees.

The program has been successful because of professional dentist volunteers and charitable donations of businesses and the community. The North Dunedin Rotary Club was instrumental in helping the Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Program obtain a portable X-Ray machine. With a donation of \$1377.95 dollars plus a matching donation from



Interact makes a difference at Dunedin's Relay for Life



The Dunedin High School Interact club looks forward to fielding a team each year for Dunedin's Relay for Life.

the Rotary District 6950, the program was able to purchase a piece of equipment, which has helped serve more patients in the program. On a typical day, the Gulf Coast Dental Outreach program utilizes 2-3 volunteer dentists, 2 registered dental hygienists and 3-4 volunteer assistants to provide services to 20-28 patients. Overall, the GCDO functions with approximately 107 volunteer dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants. All general treatment plans are done by Robert B Ettlman DDS, the president and CEO, who continues to be very active in the program.

In 2009, the Salvation Army, in Clearwater, received results from a general needs assessment, contracted through the University of Tampa, to identify the top five social service needs in our area. The survey revealed that the number one social service need in our area was dental health services.

As the need for dentistry grows in our community, so does the need for additional volunteers and donations. The Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Inc is the only significant low income dental program in the Tampa Bay area and has generated more than 2,400 patient visits even while operating only 3 days a month. By

supporting the Gulf Coast Dental Outreach program, we can provide additional services to those in need within our community. To find out more about the Gulf Coast Dental Outreach Program, visit www.gulfcoastdentaloutreach.org

Photo: Harry Gross agrees to be X-rayed by Dr. Jay Pitts

Largo's Death by Chocolate

Linda Flower, President of the Rotary Club of Largo presented a \$8700.00 check to Joan Byrne, Director of the Recreation, Parks and Arts Department for the City of Largo for the Rotary Playground located in Largo Central Park. This long standing partnership began in 1995 when the Largo club accepted the challenge to support the construction of an adaptive playground suitable for all children in the greater Largo area. The club has continued that support both financially and with "sweat-equity". This latest donation was a contribution to the major project of renovating and enlarging the playground. The funds are made possible by the club's annual "Death by Chocolate - A Taste of the Holidays" which takes place annually on the first Friday of December. More details for Death by Chocolate can be found at www.largorotary.com or largodeathbychocolate.com



The Governor's Newsletter 2011

Meeting locations have been updated.

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

District 6950 Attendance for April 2011 & Club Meeting Location

Club	Members	Members Current	Average Attend%	Meeting Location
Belleair	35	37	82	Thu Noon - Belleair Country Club (25 Bellevue Rd)
Brooksville	62	54	93	Tue Noon - Brooksville Country Club (23446 Links Drive)
Central Citrus County	31	34	75.76	Wed 7:30am - Black Diamond Country Club (St. Rd. 491, Lecanto)
Clearwater	123	120	77.56	Wed 12:15pm - Belleair Country Club
Clearwater at Feathersound	0	28	61.61	Wed 5:30pm - Feather Sound Country Club (Clearwater)
Clearwater Beach	20	29	74	Thu 12:15pm - The Wave (inside Shephards Beach Resort, on Gulfview Blvd.)
Clearwater East	43	41	69.92	Fri Noon - Carabbas, US 19 Clearwater, south of Hwy 60
Crystal River	65	60	70.4	Mon 12:15pm - Plantation Inn and Golf Resort
Crystal River-Kings Bay	45	47	78.11	Wed 12:15pm - Cafe on the Avenue (Citrus Avenue, Crystal River)
Dade City	49	48	61.42	Mon 12:15pm - Dade City Business Center (John Hornbuckle Meeting Rm, 3rd Fl)
Dade City Sunrise	25	22	59.34	Thu 7:00am - Kafe Kokopelli (Meridan and Live Oak)
Dunedin	61	56	51.74	Tue 12:15pm - Church of Good Shepherd (629 Edgewater Dr)
Dunedin North	66	61	79.1	Wed 7:30am - Dunedin Country Club (1050 Palm Blvd)
Dunedin Waterside	21	32	59.38	Wed 6:30pm - Pan Y Vino (369 Main Street, Dunedin)
East Lake Sunrise	32	30	64.17	Thu 7:30am - East Lake Woodlands CC (1055 East Lake Woodlands Pkwy)
Gulf Beaches	20	30	72	Tue 12:15pm - Treasure Island Yacht & Tennis Club (400 Treasure Island Causeway)
Holiday	67	50	72.45	Tue Noon - IHOP (U.S. Hwy. 19, NPR)
Homosassa Springs	23	20	61.4	Thu 7am - Luigi's (4538 Suncoast Blvd - US19)
Hudson	24	25	75.55	Thu Noon - CARES Enrichment Center (12417 Clock Tower Pkwy, Hudson, Bayonet Pt.)
Indian Rocks Beach	34	36	80.55	Wed 7:15am Jimmy Guana's Restaurant, Holiday Inn Harborside (401 2nd St)
Inverness	57	67	67.26	Tue Noon - Lakeside Country Club (4555 E. Windmill Dr.)
Land O'Lakes	13	15	73	Mon 12:15pm - Rapsallion's Restaurant (US 41)
Largo	39	35	86.43	Mon Noon - Alfano's Restaurant (1702 Clwtr/Largo Rd)
New Port Richey	129	130	87.99	Wed 12:15pm - Spartan Manor (6121 Massachusetts Avenue)
Oldsmar/East Lake	20	20	55	Thu 12:15pm - Daddy's Grill (Tampa Rd)
Palm Harbor	15	16	77.34	Wed 12:15pm - Carabbas (33983 U.S. 19 N Palm Harbor 34684)
Pinellas Feather Sound	0	12	72.91	Tue 5:30pm - Liberty Lanes (Largo)
Pinellas Park	30	29	80.5	Thu 12:15pm - Banquet Masters (8100 Park Blvd.)
Port Richey	32	35	73.53	Fri Noon - Whiskey River Sports Grill (5235 Limestone Drive, PR)
Safety Harbor	16	14	67.92	Fri 7:30am - Safety Harbor Spa (105 N Bayshore Dr)
San Antonio	20	21	40.48	Tue Noon - Tampa Bay Golf & Country Club (St Rd 52)
Seminole	65	67	84.5	Wed 12:15pm - Lake Seminole Golf & Country Club (6100 Augusta Blvd)
Seminole Lake	34	33	73.33	Fri 7:15am - Freedom Square Seminole, Roskamp Auditorium
Seven Springs	48	54	78.11	Thu 7:30am - Seven Springs Country Club (3535 Trophy Blvd)
Spring Hill	12	14	95.74	Thu 7:45am - IHOP Restaurant (US19)
Spring Hill Central	29	22	41	Fri. 1:00pm - Silverthorn Country Club (Spring Hill)
St. Petersburg	113	111	62.3	Fri Noon - Orange Blossom Catering (220 4th St. N)
St. Petersburg Sunrise	27	30	77.5	Tue 7:45 am - St Petersburg Yacht Club (11 Central Ave)
St. Petersburg Sunset	21	30	72.5	Thu 6:00 pm - Midtown Sundries (200 1st Ave. S, St. Petersburg)
St. Petersburg West	30	30	74.03	Wed 7:45am - Treasure Island Tennis & Yacht Club (400 Island Causway, Treasure Island)
Sugarmill Woods-Citrus County	22	16	98.44	Tue 5:00pm - Sugarmill Woods Country Club (Homosassa)
Tarpon Springs	72	79	83.71	Thu 12:15pm - Tarpon Springs Yacht Club (350 S. Spring Blvd)
Trinity	65	75	65.65	Fri 12:15pm - Heritage Springs Country Club
Wesley Chapel	22	41	66.88	Wed 12:15pm - Dempsey's Restaurant (Saddlebrook Resort)
Wesley Chapel Sunrise	8	11	95.45	Fri 7:15am - Lexington Oaks Golf Club (26133 Lexington Oaks Blvd off SR 54 near I-75)
Zephyrhills	42	44	75.93	Thurs 12:15pm - Zephyrhills Rotary Youth building, Shepard Park
Zephyrhills Daybreak	33	28	78	Wed 7:00am - First United Methodist Church (38635 Fifth Ave, Zephyrhills)
Rotary E-Club of Southeast USA & Caribbean	31	40	58.48	Anytime at www.rotaryclub34.org .

Welcome to our new, returning and transferring Rotarians!

May 2011

BROOKSVILLE
Thomas, Achilles (ACHILLES)

CLEARWATER
Barker, Brian (BRIAN)
Bell, Zachary (ZACH)

CRYSTAL RIVER-KINGS BAY
Burch, Steven Howard (STEVE)
Fife, Natasia (NATASIA)

DUNEDIN
Watkins, Michael A (MICHAEL)

E-CLUB OF SE USA & CARIBBEAN
Halle, Earle R (EARLE)

LAND O' LAKES
Lamberg, John (JOHN)

LARGO
Parsons, Brian (BRIAN)

ST. PETERSBURG SUNSET
Dethlefsen, Susie (SUSIE)

ST. PETERSBURG WEST
Pelzel, Rainer (RAINER)

SUGARMILL WOODS-CITRUS COUNTY
Domino, Paul V (PAUL)

Johnson, Lynda Grace (LYNDA)
Tanzer, Angela Lesley (ANGELA)

TARPON SPRINGS
Bouris, George K (GEORGE)
Donovan, Paul R (PAUL)

Gallagher, Barbara H (BARBARA)
Purchase, Elizabeth J (ELIZABETH)

WESLEY CHAPEL
Bassinger, Elayne (ELAYNE)
Regensdorfer, Ryan J (RYAN)