

THE FOLLOWING LOCAL ROTARY CLUBS WELCOME YOU

Monday: Largo, Noon at Alfano's Restaurant

Tuesday: Clearwater Countryside, 7:30 AM, Countryside Country Club

Wednesday: Dunedin North, 7:30 AM, Dunedin Country Club

Palm Harbor Rotary, 12:15 lunch at Innisbrook

Thursday: Tarpon Springs, 12:15 PM, Tarpon Springs Yacht Club

Friday: Safety Harbor, 7:30 AM, Safety Harbor Spa

Visit Your Club Website - www.DunedinRotary.com

If you need to update information on our Club web site email Steve@adsharp.com. Past issues of the Gulf Breeze, our annual Calendar of Events and contact information about club members is posted on our club web site.

Next Meeting Agenda

December 5, 2006

Invocation - Cheryl Wade

Joke - Sara Kessinger

Speaker - Paul Slosberg - Rotary International Foundation



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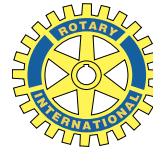
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Our club does not have a bakery owner as a member. We need some new buns around here, so invite one to our luncheon meeting as your guest and our club will treat.

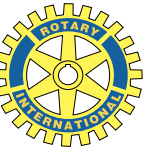
Rotary Leadership Institute January 27th In Clearwater

The RLI is back in our area in January. This is an easy and fun way to learn about Rotary and how to be an effective leader. Go to www.rli.org for complete details. Our club will pay for you to attend this Institute. The next RLI in our area will be at the:

Radisson Clearwater Central
20967 US Highway 19 N
Clearwater



Gulf Breeze



The Rotary Club of Dunedin Florida

Tuesday, November 28, 2006

Shelter Box & Ambassadoral Scholar Speakers



Bob Higgs from Shelter Box and Ted Rivera, District 6950 Ambassadoral Scholars Both Spoke About Our Club's Rotary International Service

Our meeting last week featured a double dose of the works of Rotary in action.

Our Ambassadoral Scholar, Ted Rivera shared some of his "Excellent Adventure", from his experience as our representative in Perth Australia. Ted was in Perth for the last nine months and just returned to the U.S. on November 17th.

In Perth, Ted stayed on Campus at the University of Western Australia, where he was enrolled in the Master of Communications Program. Ted told us of his numerous speeches to Rotary Clubs, Interact Clubs and Rotaract Clubs and presented our club with a handful of Banners from his trip.

Ted said this was his first time outside the U.S. and it will not be his last. He said that he is anxious to continue his travels and experiences abroad and will be going back to Australia this January to complete his Masters.

Staying with the international flavor, Bob with the Shelter Box projects joined us with the Response Team from England to give us a true understanding of the magnitude of this project. "Shelter Box is a global grass roots Rotary Club Project." The effort first began in 2000 when Rotarian, George Armstrong had the idea and (Continued on page 3)

November 21st Meeting Recap

Announcements - President Bill asked for volunteers to sign up to help decorate our float for the Dunedin holiday parade on December 9th at 11 AM. We plan to decorate and man a flatbed truck. We need volunteers to decorate the truck on Saturday morning and ride on the truck throwing candy to kids. SEE RAY KINGSBURY TO HELP!

Guests – Ginger Francisco, Joseph Miller guest of Don Gage and long time winter visitor Duncan Chism.

Happy Bucks - **Melissa McCormick** for our Club's Holiday Party at Carlouel Yacht Club on Clearwater Beach on December 11th. Our invitations will arrive by mail and included with the invitation will be a donation envelope for the Adopt-a-family project. Also, if you need a ride to the party or would like to carpool please indicate that in your R.S.V.P. and **Sallie Parks** for her sorority that is selling Entertainment Books of valuable coupons for \$25 each.

50/50 Winner: Gus Evans had the lucky ticket but did not draw the Ace of Spades.

Please Join us for The December 11th Holiday Party

Monday, December 11th our Club will celebrate the Holiday Season at the Carlouel Yacht Club in Clearwater Beach. Cocktails will begin at 6 PM and dinner will begin at 7. Enjoy an evening of good fellowship, music and outstanding food. Our menu includes French Onion Soup with puff pastry cap, a Mixed Green Salad - Ranch or Vinaigrette dressing, Rolls, Tea, Coffee, Lemonade, Carved Roast Prime Rib, Chicken Piccata, Grouper with Citrus Sauce, Garlic Mashed Potatoes with Par-

mesan Cheese, California Vegetable Medley and a wonderful Holiday Dessert Table with a plentiful assortment of your favorite holiday sweets! This feast at one of the most beautiful decorated places is \$36 per person. Members will be billed for a regular \$12 meeting lunch plus \$24 for the dinner. **And please remember there is no meeting Tuesday, December 12.** You will receive an invitation in the mail and please make your reservation by December 5th. Contact Melissa McCormick with questions.

60th Club Anniversary - February 11, 2007

How do we celebrate 60 years of service in Dunedin? Personally I think we should celebrate by providing more service for our community. How? Each year our club provides about \$14,000 in college scholarships to Dunedin High School students. What if we could increase the annual scholarships to \$20,000 a year? Would this be an appropriate way to celebrate our 60th anniversary? I will be presenting more information over the next few weeks. Thanks! President Bill



MEETING AGENDA

November 28, 2006

Invocation – Sue Thomas

Pledge of Allegiance

Joke of the Day – Jeff Rhoads

Introduction of Guests, Happy Bucks & 50/50

Induction of New Member & November Birthdays

Speakers - Joseph Miller - Habitat for Humanity and Maria Kaidu from the Pinellas Education Association



Shelter Box Continued

started raising money for boxes that he and other Rotarians would pack up in his garage. Now the Shelter Box project is happening in Clubs in the Europe, the US, Australia and Canada, with facilities in the UK, US and Australia.

In just 4 ½ years since the project began the project has provided shelter and survival equipment in 34 countries, raised \$25 and housed more than 450,000 people. Bob commented that this project is truly a Rotary Pure Play with every dollar raised going directly to fund a Shelter Box, which will be delivered by trained Rotarians to those in need.

Our Club's first experience with the Shelter box project was after the Tsunamis when we raised money to send boxes some of the many left homeless.

Keith Higgs Shelter Box Team Member and Joe Cannon, Shelter Box Team Leader have helped deploy many of the boxes in the heart of the disasters. Both of them have special training and experience to survive in disaster conditions. Their Response Team goes in with Shelter Boxes within the first three days of a disaster and are often the first responders.

Keith told us that when a disaster occurs, victims start to die from lack of

necessities by three days, and many of the world's relief agencies are not able to mobilize fast enough to be there in time. The international network of Rotary Clubs allows the Shelter Box Team to respond faster than any other aid group often making the difference of life or death to disaster survivors. Keith said 3 days to 3 weeks is a window of opportunity to save lives."

When disaster strikes the Shelter Box Team contacts the District Governor closest to the disaster area and the local Rotarians plan the logistics for quick response. Each box costs \$900 to outfit and contains a 10 person tent with 3 living areas, water purification tablets, 10 sleeping bags, batteries, rope, cooking equipment and other survival items.

Shelter Box recently trained the first team of U.S. responders in Bradenton, Florida. Seventeen people entered the multi-week training program and just 4 of them graduated to become Shelter Box Response Team Members. Shelter Box is expanding its mission this year and is looking to elementary school children to help raise money for Shelter Boxes. Bob explained that their goal in England is that every school child will raise 1 pound so that over the next 4 years the project can provide 1 million homes for displaced people in Africa. (Written by Sara McCullum)