

YOU CAN MAKE UP AT THESE LOCAL ROTARY CLUBS

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

A complete list of all District 6950 Rotary Clubs is available at

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Next Meeting Agenda: May 1

Invocation - Kevin Donoghue

Joke - Bob Isham

Classification - Kim Gray

Program - Lou Galdieri, CEO, Mease

Dunedin Hospital &

Jack Bakeman - RI Foundation



Gulf Breeze Volunteers

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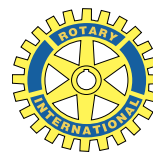
I don't want to get out on a limb, but we don't have an arborist as a member. Invite one to a meeting as your guest at our expense.

Rotary District Conference

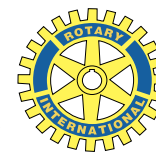
May 11 - 13, 2007

Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort

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Gulf Breeze



The Rotary Club of Dunedin Florida

Tuesday, April 24, 2007



Dunedin City Manager, Rob DiSpirito

NEW CITY MANAGER SPEAKS

AT DUNEDIN ROTARY CLUB

Dunedin's new City Manager has been on the job for about 3 months and he took some time last week to talk to our Club about his early observations and give some examples of three recent development projects considered by the City.

The Gateway Project, which is to be located at the fork between 580 and Main Street across from Mease hospital will introduce newcomers to Dunedin's delightful downtown. Mr. DiSpirito said the City solicited competitive bids from national developers to find the one best capable of creating a project that gels with our community vision. The new site will be multiuse containing retail, workforce housing and office space. Mr. DiSpirito said that the City Commission insisted that the process be a very public one, an approach that he finds appealing and essential to the right outcome.

Port Royal was a condominium project proposed for the current sight of Bon Appetit and Best Western on the waterfront. Though the scope and outcome were quite different from the Gateway scenario the thorough and public process used to make the decision was consistent. In this case the developer proposed a private condominium with no public use or access.

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SPONSORS NEEDED FOR DUNEDIN ROTARY TRIATHLON

The race is on to sign sponsors for the 4th Annual Dunedin Rotary Club Triathlon, June 3rd. The triathlon is the largest fund raiser for our club each year. We need your help now to find sponsors. See the sponsor brochure at www.DunedinRotaryClub.com or www.DunedinTriathlon.com. Or talk with Ray Kingsbury - Race Director about details.

Every Club member is needed and expected to help. Pick your volunteers job today. Sign up with Kim Gray.

April 17th Meeting Recap

Guests: Rotarians: John Gallant, Assisant District Governor; Andy Knoll from Clearwater; John Muller; and Bob Wheeler from New Hampshire. Other guest: former club member Bob Ironsmith and Rob DiSpirito Dunedin's City Manager.

Happy Bucks: **Pat Bauer** for the fashion show last Saturday to support the Dunedin Historical Society and for Dunedin Books a Party at the Dunedin Library. **Nora Mihopoulos** gave a sad buck for the events at Virginia Tech. **Kim Gray** – took a cruise with her Mom on the Queen Mary II. **Ray Kingsbury** – Thanks to the 6 Board Members who attended the District Assembly last Saturday morning and afternoon. **Sue Thomas** gave a buck for the Dunedin Books a Party. **Bob Wheeler** – for the tax deadline extension given to many Northern residents because of the terrible weather. **Melissa McCormick** – wants to remind everyone about the Derby Day Party on May 5th. Remember to sign up – the party is at Gaston's house this year. **John Muller** – this will be his last meeting with us until he returns in the Fall and on April 12th he and his wife celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary.. **Lynn Smeraldo** – thanks to all those who contributed to the Interact relay team. **Bill Francisco** – gave a buck for Lynn Smeraldo and all her work with Interact, staying up all night to raise money for Relay for Life. **John Gallant** – thanks to those who participated in the District Assembly – the meetings really helps with Rotary Projects and is a good way to meet people from other clubs. Also he is just back from his annual trip to Peru and this year his group helped 30 children with cleft pallets and helped many people get much needed dental work. **Anne Kennedy** – gave a buck for the Historical Society Fashion Show and also for the District Assembly which she very much enjoyed. **Julie Linn** gave three bucks, the first to get our forgiveness since she was wearing jeans, the second for anyone who could give her a contact with Pfizer and the third for her daughter who will be working with International Vision teaching English to students in India.

ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 25, Wednesday
Rotary Board of Directors
 Chamber of Commerce, 6 PM

May 5, Saturday
Derby Day Party

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH
REGULAR MEETING MOVED
TO MAY 10TH FOR NATURE CENTER
GRAND OPENING

May 10, Thursday
Grand Opening
Rotary Centennial Nature Center
at Honeymoon Island, 10 AM

May 11 - 13
District Conference
 Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort

June 3, Sunday
Dunedin Triathlon
 Honeymoon Island State Park, 7 AM



TODAY'S SPEAKERS

April 24, 2007

Invocation - Mellisa McCormick
 Joke of the Day - Sue Thomas
 Classification Minute - Tracie Gattas
 Speakers - Joe Malinowski - ID Theft &
 Jack Bakeman - RI Foundation



NEW DUNEDIN CITY MANAGER SPEAKS AT DUNEDIN ROTARY

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During the review of the proposal it was determined that the use and scale of the project were not compatible with the vision set out in the Comprehensive or CRA Master Plan. Mr. DiSpirito said that it brings out the best in Dunedin when citizens participate and was happy to hear their thoughts on this project.

The proposed Fenway Hotel development is currently underway. This project is located on Alternate 19 at the former site of Schiller International University and is proposed to be a condo-hotel with a number of public uses including a spa and pool as well as a restaurant and banquet facilities. Mr. DiSpirito said that this project has also sought continuous public input. The City has arranged meetings open to residents citywide to voice their thoughts and concerns for the project and has hosted several smaller meeting for the neighbors directly around the proposed development. Mr. DiSpirito said that he is pleased with the willingness from the developer and the architect to accommodate the desires and concerns of residents.

In considering decisions that come before the City, Mr. DiSpirito said he can adapt a version of the Rotary Four Way Test and apply it to each consideration. Will it be acceptable with community stan-

dards? Will there be neighborhood impact and have we been proactive to generate feedback? Will it add to Dunedin's vitality and character?

Mr. DiSpirito was asked to address the Country Club Consultant Study and he said that the study began about a week ago and should take a total of 12 weeks to complete. The study has been expanded to include St. Andrew's Links with the idea of making Dunedin a golf destination to attract visitors. When asked about how Dunedin would incorporate Green Building Ordinances in the future, Mr. DiSpirito said that the City's Director of Public Works, Doug Hutchens was working on ideas to enhance our current ordinances without being overly restrictive to discourage developers.

Mr. DiSpirito said that he is happy to be here and that he appreciates the

Nominations Needed For Excellence of Ethics in Business & Pride of Workmanship Awards

Each year our club gives two awards to businesses in our community. The candidates are not current Rotarians. Ed Profke is accepting nominations for these two awards. The awards are given for Excellence of Ethics and Pride of Workmanship.