

AREA CLUBS FOR MAKE-UPS

MONDAY	Largo , Noon at Alfonso's Restaurant
TUESDAY	Holiday , Noon at IHOP New Port Richey
WEDNESDAY	Countryside , 6:00 pm at the Dunedin Brewery Dunedin North , 7:30 am at the Dunedin Country Club Palm Harbor , 12:15 at Positano Ristorante Italiano Clearwater , 12:15 at the Belleair Country Club
THURSDAY	Clearwater Beach , 12:15 at the Holiday Inn Oldsmar/East Lake , 12:15 at Alberto's Italian Grille Tarpon Springs , at the Tarpon Springs Yacht Club Belleair , 12:00 at the Belleair Country Club
FRIDAY	Safety Harbor , 7:30 am at the Safety Harbor spa Clearwater East , 12:00 at Cove Cay Country Club
ANYTIME	The E-club , www.rotaryclub34.org

CALENDAR

May 15-16 2009 District Conference – St. Augustine, FL
May 20 – Dunedin Rotary Club Board Meeting – Dunedin Country Club
June 14 – Dunedin Rotary Triathlon at Honeymoon Island 7 AM
June 21-24 – 2009 Rotary International Convention, Birmingham, England
June 30 – Installation Dinner at the Dunedin Country Club, 6 PM

Make the new Rotary year a great one for
“Making Dreams Real”

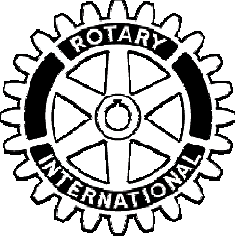


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THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUNEDIN



GULF BREEZE



Service Above Self

TODAY

MAY 12, 2009

INVOCATION: Mark Brandt
JOKE: Michelle Grossman
SPEAKER: GSE Team from Turkey
“GSE Presentation”

NEXT WEEK

MAY 19, 2009

INVOCATION: Bill Francisco
JOKE: Janet Henderson
SPEAKER: Ashli Cooper, Director of Alumni Relations
“Eckerd Youth Alternatives”

Guests

Andy Nall, Clearwater

Jim Hawkins, North Carolina

Katie Wellner, a senior at Florida State, is going to S. Africa through WorldTeach to teach for 2 months. Our Club is helping sponsor her trip.

Harry Gross, Dunedin N

Bob Wheeler, Goffstown, NH & Roberta Cantor, Salem, MA – both of whom are with us for just one more week before going back North

Happy Bucks

Sara Kessinger – who redid our Directory. Please look it over for any corrections.

Ken Rejko – called Lynn Smeraldo very concerned after last week's announcement that her husband suffered a stroke. He talked with Don last Wednesday and he's doing well.

Harry Gross was happy someone won something in golf. He and Pres. Jonathan won't.

Bev Fisher, who won second place at the City Invitational Tournament. She really enjoyed the bagpipers on the 18th Hole.

Bill Berger had his last chemo treatment last week and his body is returning to normal. He expects his next scan to show his clean health. Save July 11 on your calendar for a party/fundraiser to "Stomp Out Cancer."

Melissa McCormick had 12 Interactors over to rake leaves in her front yard and their pay was used as a fundraiser. They raked up 51 bags of leaves and there are still more to do.

Dave Eggers was happy his team won first place at the CIT.

Bob Wheeler was not happy about the time the game ended but happy the Red Sox beat the Yankees.

Pres. Jonathan, who also serves as District Alumni Chair for GSE, loved the way the picnic turned out for the GSE inbound and outbound teams to Turkey and the Philippines, as well as last year's Caribbean team. He thanked Carole Owenby, Sallie Parks, Sara Kessinger, Ann Kennedy and Lynn Wargo for their help with the event.

Jim Hawkins, who used to live here, was surprised how busy everything is now. He invited anyone visiting the NC mountains to look him up.

50-50 Drawing

Ed Proefke drew the 4 of clubs trying to win the \$23 pot.

Announcements

Volunteers were invited to help unload trucks at the Dunedin Post Office after the food drive on Saturday.

Ron Hadad from the Tarpon Club invited our club to help with some finishing touches on the Habitat House in Largo next Saturday. Melissa has the details.

Sarah McCallum asked for Tri volunteers. Please sign up and support the effort.

Last Week's Program – Yesteryear I Lived in Paradise

Sallie Parks introduced our speaker, Terry Fortner, who spoke about her grandmother's (Myrtle Sharrer Betz) book, 'Yesteryear I Lived in Paradise.'

Terry's great grandfather, Henry Scharrer, a Swiss immigrant, traveled across the US and finally cruised over to Caladesi Island, where he knew he wanted to settle. He made a home on Caladesi from 1888 to 1934, including marrying and having a daughter on the Island in 1895. Henry's home became quite a destination over the years, which was documented in over 500 photos.

Myrtle was raised in a very loving way, especially after her Mother died when she was 7. She valued education and rowed to the mainland each morning to school, after she had completed her morning chores. Her report card showed she was never tardy after all that work and travel.



Myrtle lived on the Island until 1934, when she moved to Locklie St. so her daughter, Terry's Mom, could go to school. Her father, Henry, lived on the Island until his death in 1934.

Myrtle was very involved in conservation, birding, and the environment. When she was 87, she penned a book about her life. For her 90th birthday, Vivien Skinner Grant and the Dunedin Historical Society had her book printed from her handwritten manuscript. In 1991 the book was reprinted and 5,000 copies

were sold.

Terry found her grandmother's original manuscript, and she and her sister restored the book to her grandmother's original words. They added a bunch of pictures and Terry wrote a timeline of the history of Pinellas County and Dunedin, to accompany it. She is extraordinarily proud of the timeline and what a great reference it can be.

When Myrtle's new book was reprinted yet again, local renowned artist Christopher Still, allowed a painting of a Caladesi sunset to be used as the book's cover.

For more information on the book, go to www.caladesimemories.com The proceeds from the book benefit the Henry Scharrer Memorial foundation, which mainly funds amenities to Caladesi Island like the Gator vehicle used by the Island's staff, trail signs and maps, and wildlife information. Terry doesn't miss an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of Jerry Rehm in preserving Caladesi Island as a state park.