

AREA CLUBS FOR MAKE-UPS

MONDAY Largo, Noon at Alfonso's Restaurant
 TUESDAY Countryside, 7:30 am at the Countryside Country Club
 WEDNESDAY Dunedin North, 7:30 am at the Dunedin Country Club
 Palm Harbor, 12:15 at the Innisbrook Resort
 Clearwater, 12:15 at the Belleair Country Club
 THURSDAY Oldsmar, 12:15 at the Residence Inn
 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 the Radisson on US 19 North
 ANYTIME The E-club, www.rotaryclub34.org

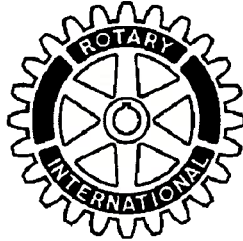
CALENDAR

July is Rotary Fellowship Month


July 26Cleanup of the Dunedin Rotary Park on the Causeway, 8:30 a.m.
 August 15Rotary Softball Challenge: Dunedin vs. Dunedin North
 August 31Rotary Rays Days VIII, Rays vs. the Orioles, Tropicana Field
 October 4Rotary Leadership Institute, Clearwater

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





THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUNEDIN



GULF BREEZE

Service Above Self

TODAY

INVOCATION: Carole Owenby
 JOKE: Jeff Rhoads
 SPEAKER: Carole Owenby

JULY 22, 2008

“2008 GSE Trip to the Caribbean”

NEXT WEEK

INVOCATION: Melissa McCormick
 JOKE: Melissa McCormick
 SPEAKER: Valerie Lane

JULY 29, 2008

“Sustainability in Dunedin”

Guests last week

Cynthia Miller, daughter of Alden Matthews and introduced by Sallie Parks
 George Ann Bissett, Dunedin Fine Art Center, Dunedin North Rotary Club
 Keenan Knopke, Curlew Hills Memory Gardens, Guest of Lynn Wargo, and soon to be member of our Club.

50/50

Rep. Tom Anderson tried for the \$123 jackpot but walked away with \$10: he picked a Jack.

News

Bill Francisco asked members to participate in the softball challenge against the Dunedin North Club on August 15. Players and attendees are needed. Both clubs agreed to allow one ringer who is related to a club member to participate on each team.

Mark Brandt presented a \$2,000 check to President Jonathan Skinner from the estate of Emil Lucke for the Club's Foundation. Mr. Lucky was a club member who passed away in 1996, and whose wife passed away a few months ago.

George Ann Bassett thanked our Club for the \$2,500 contribution toward camp scholarships at the Dunedin Fine Art Center Our gift provided a camp experience for children who couldn't afford it otherwise and who were given the gift of art. She brought several examples of the children's artwork to show off.

Happy Bucks

Tom Anderson was happy that he was re-elected as our representative to the Florida House with no opponent and that this will be his final term.

Jeff Rhoads, for celebrating his 33rd anniversary to his wife, Kathy.

Lynn Wargo, extending an invitation to club members to attend the Summer Splash, a tradeshow sponsored by the six chambers of commerce of North Pinellas on 7/16.

George Ann Bissett, who was happy to be attending our meeting and happy for the great lunch.

Ed Proefke, who chartered a sailboat and raced in the "Regatta Time of the Abacos." They came in second place twice and tied for 1st place overall. Plus they enjoyed lots of parties.

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schools, etc., Behind the scene tours of their facility and programs, "Spay days", Pet behavior help' Matching program of pets to seniors, Plus many volunteer opportunities

Last year the SPCA took in 16,000 animals, a quarter of which were not the normal cats, dogs, rabbits and guinea pigs.

The SPCA differs from other pet shelters because they have open admissions, taking in pets 6 days a week for any reason. They are also the largest adoption facility for pets with no time limits, although many pets are adopted in 5 to 7 days.

The agency also offers extensive rehabilitation services. Last year 1,000 injured pets were saved. They also answered 2,500 emergency calls and the ambulance covered 88,000 miles in Pinellas County. Their behavior help line helped 7,000 people.

Because animal cruelty is often a warning sign about future cruelty and abuse, the SPCA also works with junior high and high school student and teachers through the program AACT, "Act Against Cruelty Together," in identifying problem behavior and promoting intervention.

There were 10,000 animal cruelty investigations or re-investigations in Pinellas County last year. The SPCA works with law enforcement in such cases and also helps prosecute them.


Ms. Gallagher also encouraged Rotarians to have a plan to identify caregivers, as well as alternate caregivers; prepare written instruction for pets allergies and special care; have a hurricane plan in place, including pet carriers for all pets - especially cats; and thinking about estate planning for pets.

She also reminded the audience that animal control is the first line of defense in reference to strays, but that the SPCA is there to care for injured, neglected or abandoned pets. In preparation for Hurricane Season, there are also several pet-friendly shelters in Pinellas - just check the SPCA website or the county's website for more info.

Join in the Pet Walk on October 18 too!


Photos





PROGRAM – July 15

Gretchen Gallagher,
Director of Gift Planning
for the SPCA
“Planning for you and your Pet”



Speaker

Club member Stephenie Fenton introduced Gretchen Gallagher, Director of Gift Planning for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals, who spoke about “Planning for You and Your Pet.” Gretchen began by recognizing several members and a guest, John Freeborn, Bob Metz and Keenan Knopke, for their support of the organization.

The SPCA has been in existence since 1940 on 10 acres in Largo.

The SPCA is a non-profit organization that serves our community and its pets without state or tax dollars. They focus on keeping pets out of animal shelters, ensuring they receive humane care, while proactively promoting pet adoptions.

They offer 24 hour/7 day ambulance service for injured pets, as well as spaying and neutering services and cruelty prevention. The organization has four major focuses:

1. Reducing the number of pets in shelters because of behavior issues
2. Respect all life, promoting responsibility and respect for pets.
3. Reducing the pet overpopulation problem and promoting the benefit of spay/neuter.
4. Reduce abuse and neglect. She noted that animal abuse is often a sign of other abuse such as child, spouse or elder.

Other services the SPCA offers are: Pet care seminars, Disaster protection and planning, Planning for animal friends through estates and end of life, Educational ambassadors in