



THE RISE & SHINE TIMES
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Meeting Report of 9-23-04

Past President Rod Mabe inspired us with a beautiful prayer prior to the meeting, and a special prayer for **Jan Raulin**. Our musicians were **Jim Hole and Steve Fattel**.

Visting Rotarians and Guests:

We welcomed visiting Rotarian and **Asst. District Governor Michael Mayer** and prospective member Selina Dunford, guest of **Jesse Lieberman**.

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$.....HAPPY BUCKS.....\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
Sgt.-at-Arms and Past President Bob Magulick collected Happy Dollars from **Dianne Currie**,

who announced the New Leader's Group will be held on Tuesday, September 28 at Marsha Gandy's home. Directions to Marsha's house will be e-mailed. Prospective members and members of our club who have less than 3 years are especially encouraged to come to this meeting to learn more about Rotary, its fellowship, and service. An e-mail will be delivered with directions to Marsha's home.

Dan Spandau reported that we received a nice letter for our members who donated blood during the last drive. Thanks to **Tim Aman, Phil Croyle, Tim Sharp, Elaine Berkwich, Steve Fattel and Chris Helfrich**.

Matt Nelles donated \$4 – one for his first visit to Wrigley Field and Miller Park, one for the beautiful state of Wisconsin, and the last because he was surprised to see **Rod Mabe** at the gym. If you read this newsletter on a regular basis, you will see that Matt is one of those frequent flyers.

Ed Rowan has a great excuse to miss the Marlin's game, and donated his tickets to Rotary. He has to teach at FAU. Making more monsters. And, now he can read the serial numbers on dollar bills because he had successful lasik surgery!

Armand Rossi had a scooter dollar and a sad dollar because he won't be at the next two meetings, and a happy dollar to be visiting his two brand spanking new granddaughters. And he reminded us all of the family of Rotary picnic on Sunday, October 31 at Biwa Park. Children are free under age 4, and \$5 for ages 4-9. Rotarians are free, and guests are \$10 each. A sign up sheet for games and attendance is being circulated.

Andy Petry announced that the Holiday Raffle Tickets will be distributed at the next meeting. A sign up sheet is circulated. Last year, we planned to sell 500 tickets at \$50 per ticket. Stay tuned next week!

HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



- Ken Hirsch.....September 5
- Chris Maners.....September 7
- Frank Barbieri, Jr.September 11
- Phil Croyle.....September 21
- Sandy Burkart.....September 23
- Beatriz Da Rocha.....September 27

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$...HAPPY BUCKS Continued.....\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

Ken Duvall is taking his wife to Naples for her birthday, He told us that **Ray Carlson** was featured in the Glenridge, Illinois paper as Mr. Personality and is a Rotarian who has attended 2,002 meetings. This is a milestone, and when Ray returns as a visitor, we will wish him many happy make-up meetings! **Rod Mabe** also had the same story firsthand, so **Ken** was fined for stealing **Rod's thunder!**

Jamie Gulden went to Myrtle Beach, and attended a wedding for one of her friends. It was kind of a self-service wedding, where the guests set up and broke down the tables. She said the event was awesome!

Rod Mabe had a scooter dollar and told **Matt Nelles** that he and **Frank Barbieri** are regulars at the gym. He was in Fort Pierce on storm duty and told us a story about a lady who lost her home and furnishings in Vero Beach.

Ephraim Senbetta had a sad dollar because he has to be in Italy for 3 weeks on business. This elicited a (not) very sympathetic response from the crowd.

Stan Civin brought us all up to date on the National Cricket Match. New Zealand slammed the overmatched USA. The score was 347 runs in 50 six-ball covers (whatever that means...) and the USA had 137 runs. This is the sixth year of the International Tournament which was held in London at the Champions Trophy Event.

Elaine Berkwich reported that she attended a wedding in Deerfield Beach of her good friends **Chuck and Paula**; and that her boyfriend, **Lee** from Texas, was able to join in the celebration. Chuck and Paula had to delay their wedding because Hurricane Frances, then Hurricane Ivan had put a damper on the scenery.

Stan Fertel was happy to report that the Northern Folks stood up to the hurricane; and **Marsha Gandy** gave us the report on **Jan Raulin**. **Jan's** doctor told her that her body is responding well to the chemotherapy and we should all make plans to attend the get-together for Jan at the Neighborhood Sports Grill which is North of Yamato at 6 PM tonight!

\$\$\$\$\$\$....**HAPPY BUCKS—Continued.....\$\$\$\$\$\$**

Chris Maners donated \$45 for his happy birthday!

Michael Mayer told us to say a special prayer for fellow Rotarian from the Boca Noon Club Phil Moter, who is in a coma and seriously ill.

Steve Alman reported that he was pleasantly surprised when received a call from the Dreyfus School, where his daughter was named by her teacher as the best in her class. Her teacher was trying to change his karma by calling the best student's parents first!

Tim Aman thanked **Rod Mabe** for lunch and **Barry Mordis** for dinner and went to his first chiropractic visit to **Armand Rossi**. He and **Christian** are celebrating ten years of wedded bliss!

Rick Celestino was happy to receive a letter from Lynn University, thanking the Rotary Club for awarding a \$1000 scholarship gift to Siphia Lucci.

Mary Malatesta went to a make-up meeting at the Boca Noon Club – and found out that it has moved to Boca Del Mar Country Club. It was very nice. Also, the noon club will be holding a get-together happy hour at the Addison on Palmetto at 6:00 PM on October 20th... The cost is \$20.

Joe Unger has a conflict. The golf match is scheduled for May 14th, 2005. His granddaughter is graduating from college in Colorado on the same date. Of course, he will go to the graduation. But he absolutely will need all of us to contribute to making the golf tournament a huge success. So, please mark your calendar and schedule this as a top priority. We need players, helpers and sponsors!



JOE NEEDS YOU!

The 50-50 raffle was "won" by Michael Mayer. But, he didn't pull the Ace of Spades, so he ended up with nada! And Andy Petry keeps this job!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

by
PRESIDENT SHIRLEY HIRSCH

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Next week, our speaker will be **Past District Governor Rick Russell**, who will address our club and about 15 invited potential members. Please make sure to introduce yourself to the newcomers, wear your dress clothes and make a good impression!

2005-2006 PRESIDENT ELECT WILLIAM BOYD from New Zealand was once a Rugby Referee!

HOLIDAY RAFFLE TICKETS: **Andy Petry** is circulating the list for the tickets which will be distributed at next week's meeting.

FAMILY OF ROTARY PICNIC: October 31 at Biwa Park. Please take the handouts at the table and sign up for this event! Children and adults are encouraged to come in their Halloween Costumes!



SPEAKER OF THE WEEK
SYD KAUFMAN
GEOPHYSICS

Marcia Gandy, Speaker Chairperson, introduced our guest speaker.

Syd Kaufman has a B.S. in Engineering from MIT, A BS in Astrological Engineering, and PhD.s from Boston University and George Washington University. He also attended National War College and was appointed a White House Fellow. He was instrumental in developing the Disabled Submarine Rescue Vessel (DSR) and worked with Cambridge Labs with other MIT Engineers in Boston on the Antarctic Program. He was a Vice President of Computer Sciences Corporation and is the author of two books. He is a resident of Boca Raton and his greatest achievement is his six great grandchildren! He was the Project Manager on the Antarctic Program ZGY.

"In the 50's, exploration of space vehicles and communication blackouts resulted in the Geophysical Year, which had 67 nations participating, and we are still involved in this endeavor. The problem of blackout-phenomena is studied in ionosphere physics, the layer above the earth's from about 100 to 600 KM. At the end of the meeting a diagram which depicted the Vanguard Satellite and the interference problems created by the sun.

Syd's particular effort was concerned with the reason that submarines suddenly could not communicate with each other, and although the Aurora Borealis may be visually exciting, it is technically dangerous. There are many slides that illustrate the "Northern" Lights.

Speaker of the Week – Syd Kaufman (Continued)

The partners in the project were the Air Force and the Navy for housekeeping. There is darkness in Greenland in the Winter months. There were many young men from Stanford, MIT and other great universities where they received four months of training, had their room and board paid for and saved most of their salaries. It was exciting to be on this scientific journey in the International Geophysical Year of 1957-1958. Their group started from Boston, went to New Orleans, and then by ship to the Panama, and to Christ Church, New Zealand, then down to the Antarctic. The buildings were constructed at 15 to 20 feet above ground level, where they walked up to the doors. Then due to the summertime snows in the six month dark season, they had to walk down in order to obtain entrance.

Some of the men spent endless hours of sleep; the Navy personnel were on the 12-hours-on, 12-hours-off shifts, and many of the men were tired of watching movies and playing pool. And once they were into the snowy season, there was no way to transport any people off the continent. Some of the men became mentally disturbed, and in order to contain their bizarre behavior, they had to build cages in the dining room.

The Russians and the Japanese teams were the only teams that had women scientists. The highlight of the camps was Spring, when the snow melted, several young men's faces lit up just to see the sight of a woman.

At Thule Air Force Base in Greenland, there is a mountain named Pee Mountain. We were told the stories of a young, immature graduate named Dennis Shapiro who spent a great deal of time observing data and taught the natives math and science to do some volunteer work. There were several mishaps with Dennis, and he earned the nickname, "Dennis the Menace".

The only way to travel during white-outs was to hold onto the rope fence, which were set into the snow with guide posts. The chasms of weather came frequently, with 100-mile winds and snow making visibility impossible.

Dennis proceeded to get stuck in the snow after being advised by radio to stay at the top of the mountain, and, 100 yards from away from the mountain, he couldn't see a thing. He spent 8 hours in freezing weather in his jeep. Nature called. Frostbite occurred.

Then, in the spring, Dennis decided to drive a jeep on the ice to an island, and proceeded to crash through the ice. A rescue vehicle also crashed through the ice, and the commanding officer told Syd to send Dennis packing.

In subsequent years, Dennis started a highly successful research firm in Boston. Syd was sure that over the years, Dennis had matured, but the point was that this young man, although a scientific genius in the Arctic Circle, he just hadn't matured in many ways while on this expedition.

There were Danish families who lived in Greenland, but they had strict orders to avoid the Americans other than formal contact.

Regarding the Aurora Borealis, the Northern Lights, which can be seen at Fort McMurray in Alberta, Canada, there is an authentic old time trading post where the natives are Eskimos. They believe that the lights are spirits working their way into the heavens. Some believe that the dancing lights are playing soccer. They are wide blooms of lights, shaped like tornados. There are thousands of words and legends about the lights, and when you see them, you know that there is something fundamentally spiritual about them.

Since it is a six hour drive or 70 minute plane ride from Edmonton, Canada, if you see Syd after the meeting, he can send you the slide show if you don't care to go in person.

The ice that the camps are built on are actual ice shelves that have broken off from giant icebergs. They float with the current and are so thick they are generally safe. They are given names, and on T3 Island 8 men set up camp. Only in the middle of the night, the shelf spread apart and sent one man on a bunk scrambling for safety.

Syd was very entertaining and painted a vivid picture of what life was like in the Antarctic and the Arctic in the International Geophysical Year. We were presented with 25 fascinating facts about Antarctica, where travel is limited to the austral summer, roughly the period of December to February. Your cruise ship is your hotel, and if you stay too long, your ship may become locked in the waters.

There are bubbling, hot volcanic springs. The only civilizations are the scientific research stations. Some are quite large and resemble towns. The island has an aroma of penguin poop – "guano".

Even though it is frozen today, evidence shows that at one time it was covered with trees and sustained many forms of plant and animal life.

The name of the giant ancient supercontinent that is believed to have consisted of Antarctica, New Zealand, Australia, South America, Africa and India is Gondwana.

Greenpeace and other conservation groups would like to make Antarctica a World Park to be used for peaceful purposes only, ensuring that all wildlife would be protected and that the continent would never be exploited. The first step in that goal has been the attainment of a fifty-year moratorium on mineral and oil exploration.

Antarctica is simply, without question, the most beautiful place on Earth and one that still remains unconquered. Tourism is still in the infant stage, and only about 80,000 people have set foot in Antarctica.

We applauded his speech and then President Shirley thanked Syd Kaufman for his interesting presentation, and gave him a Rotary pen.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Our regular weekly meeting is held at 7:30 AM (get there early) on Thursday Mornings at the Renaissance Hotel, East of I-95 at Glades Road. See the District Website for other Rotary Meeting Sites in Eastern Florida, or the International Website if you are traveling. Every Rotarian is encouraged to attend a weekly meeting, or make it up at some other club or in a committee meeting. Meetings last approximately 75 – 90 minutes (1.5 hours) and are a means of fellowship.

Board Meetings are generally the 2nd Thursday of the month 6:00pm at Andy Petry's office of Grubb and Ellis at 2385 Executive Center Drive #150, Boca Raton. The only exception this year is in October when meeting is on the first Thursday, 10/7/04 as the Hirsch's will be on a training mission in Charleston, S.C. All Rotarians are welcome.

9/30/04	MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST – ROTARY SUNRISE (Eileen Katz, Chair)
10/1/02 – 12/2/02	ROTARY SUNRISE RAFFLE TICKET SALE - \$50 EA. LIMITED (Andy Petry, Tim Aman)
10/8/04 – 10/11/04	ROTARY CRUISE – Leaves from Port Canaveral to Bahamas (Mary Malatesta)
10/16/04	ROTARY DELRAY'S ALL AMERICAN DUCKY DERBY – Adopt a Duck for \$5.00
10/12/04 to 10/17/04	ZONE INSTITUTE -Charleston, SC District Governor (Ken Hirsch) Training
10/28/04	NO MEETING (Go to the Picnic – Children's Halloween Costume Parade & Lots of Fun)
10/31/04	PICNIC AT BIWA PARK – HONORING DISTRICT GOVENOR JEAN STARKEY (Armand Rossi)
11/1/04	JUNIOR LEAGUE WOMAN OF YEAR AWARD LUNCHEON – Honoring Rotary Sunrise Club's Nominee Mary Malatesta at Boca Raton Hotel & Resort – (Eileen Katz, Chair)
12/4/04	HOLIDAY PARTY - TBA
1/22/05	DISTRICT LEADERSHIP SEMINAR - IRCC (Indian River Community College) St. Lucie West - District Visioning Workshop & President-Elects Boot Camp
2/18 /05 – 2/25/05	ROTARY INSTITUTE - Anaheim, CA District Governor (Ken Hirsch) Training
2/27/05	ROTARY BIRTHDAY PARTY – Florida Youth Concert 4:00-6:00 PM Sanborn Square
3/4/05 – 3/5/05	PETS - Orlando Airport Marriot President-elects Training (PETS)
4/7/05 – 4/10/05	RYLA - (Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly) Holiday Inn Port St. Lucie
4/30/05	ROTARY UNIVERSITY -IRCC at Ft. Pierce - Club Officers and Directors Training All Rotarians Invited
5/14/05	GOLF TOURNAMENT - Our Annual Golf Tournament. (Joe Unger, Chair)
6/12/05	AWARDS BRUNCH – District - TBA
6/18/05 – 6/22/05	ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – Chicago, IL Register on line at www.rotary.org for both the convention and housing.

Rotary Websites

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