

Rotary Club of Palm Beach Flagler

A 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Member Club

Tuesday 7:45 AM • Chesterfield Hotel • 363 Coconut Row, Palm Beach

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* Past President + Paul Harris Fellow ++ Multiple PHF

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April Speakers – Mary Rogan, Speaker Chair

Tues 3 rd	Michael Reinert, New Club Member Vocational Service Talk on Luxe Jewels in PB
Tues 10 th	Casey Tennyson, Owner and Publisher of Chart Magazine (Charity and Art) and ghostwriter
Tues 17 th	John D. O'Neill, Esquire, Past President of our Club on his recent trip to Washington DC and Admission to practice law before the US Supreme Court
Tues 24 th *	Joi Cardwell, Certified Yoga Instructor and Advocate for at-risk, youth, seniors and adults

*Club and Foundation Board Meeting immediately following our regularly scheduled weekly meeting.

April Community Service Project

Saturday, April 28th – Exterior House Painting Our 1st Project with Habitat for Humanity

WHERE:	Exact location to be provided as we get closer to the project. Location will be in the vicinity of the Palm Beach Outlet Mall.
MEETING LOCATION:	We will meet at the site at 8:00 a.m. for a brief orientation. We will be painting the exterior of a house that was constructed by Habitat for Humanity for a chosen family.
TIME:	We will meet at the job site at 8:00 a.m. We are painting the exterior of a house. It is projected that we will be completed between Noon and early afternoon.
VOLUNTEERS:	We have been asked to bring a <i>maximum</i> group of 12 volunteers so we will be passing around a sign-up sheet and your participation will be on a "first come, first served" basis.
RSVP:	to Lee Gordon at LBG2000@aol.com



Celebrations

Member Birthdays:

4th - Corey Brown
12th - Marvin Rosenberg
27th - Fred Wright



Member Anniversaries:

24th - Lee & Susan Gordon



Rotary International (RI) News: Rotary International has designated certain months of the year as times for Rotary clubs to emphasize the involvement of all Rotarians in designated activities or to highlight specific Areas of Focus. Clubs are encouraged to plan special programs on the appropriate topics during these months. **April's Area of Focus is Maternal and Child Health.** In addition, April is a time to recognize the contributions made by *The Rotarian magazine*, 27 regional Rotary magazines, and, especially, our Club's monthly "award-winning" newsletter!

Rotary District 6930 News: Need to "make up"? Try one of our local neighboring clubs: (1) ***Palm Beach*** (Thursdays at 12:15 pm at The Chesterfield); (2) ***West Palm Beach*** (Tuesdays at Noon at Kravis Center); (3) ***Lake Worth*** (Wednesdays at Noon at Brogue's Down Under); (4) ***Singer Island*** (Fridays at 12:15 pm at Sailfish Marina); (5) ***Northern Palm Beaches*** (Tuesdays at 7:30 am at the Double Tree Hotel, Palm Beach Gardens); (6) ***Jupiter-Tequesta*** (Tuesdays at Noon at Mangrove Bay, Jupiter); (7) ***Royal Palm Beach*** (Thursdays at 7:30 am at Wild West Diner); and (8) ***Wellington*** (Thursdays at 12:15 pm at the Wanderers Club).

Hope Rural School Dictionary Project

One of the areas that Rotary places great emphasis on is in the area of Literacy. Clubs are encouraged to read to young children, to help adults overcome illiteracy, and to donate books to those who cannot otherwise afford them.

On Friday, March 23rd, our Club held its annual dictionary, thesaurus and reading project at Hope Rural School, located in Indiantown. We have been supporting Hope Rural for many years and we are always warmly welcomed back. This year, we enjoyed record club volunteer participation and we want to thank Mac Skelly, Lee Gordon, Mary Rogan, Stan Collemer, John O'Neill, Nixon Lajoie, visiting Rotarian from San Juan Troy Fields, and (hopefully soon-to-be-new-member) Claudia Minervini.

Hope Rural is located approximately 30 miles from West Palm Beach. Migrant and immigrant farm workers have called it "home" for decades. Indiantown contains a diverse population of people including Mexico, Guatemala, and Haiti. In the late 1970s, a group of concerned citizens wanted to provide an opportunity for the education of migrant farm workers. Language and cultural differences caused these children great anxiety and made it hard for them to fit into the public school system as it existed at that time.

Hope Rural (continued)

Hope Rural was founded as a 501 (c) (3) to educate primarily, but not exclusively, the children of migrant and immigrant farm workers. The doors opened in August of 1980 and 30 children filled the one-room school with Grades K through 2.

Today, Hope Rural has expanded to include several pre-K classrooms (starting with the 3-year old "Little Hopes"), as well as Grades K through 5. From a one room school, Hope Rural currently exists as a seven building facility, which includes a cafeteria, auditorium, computer room, library, and offices.

Hope Rural incorporates all of this with an overall Catholic elementary education and nurtures the biblical principles of mercy, justice and love.

Our Club volunteers had the privilege of reading to two Pre-K classrooms, reading to a Kindergarten classroom, delivering dictionaries to all of the 4th grade students and delivering thesauruses to all of the 5th grade students.

We were *most heartened* when we entered the 5th grade class to hand out the thesauruses. We asked the class mates if they remembered us from last year. EVERY student reached into his/her desk and pulled out the dictionaries that we had given them last year!

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