

# 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

## February Speakers – Caroline Eaton, Speaker Chair

Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy Soderman, Founder of the IDEAL School 'Embrace Life'
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	Professor Gerald Cammy 'Spy, espionage and more!'
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	Denise Valz, CEO Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> *	Nammie Ichilov, Headmaster, Meyer Academy 'Education Today'

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

## Super Bowl Party – Sunday, February 2nd



Where: The home of Ozzie and Ana Osborne

When: Arrive at 5 p.m. Game starts at 6:30

Address: 6600 Washington Road, WPB

Directions: Go South on Olive Avenue to Gray Street (just before Forest Hill Boulevard). Turn Left and go straight to end of Street.

Please bring something to share.

## A big "Shout Out" to the PBDA Students!

On Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, we held our annual joint beach clean-up with upper school students from Palm Beach Day Academy. Not only did our event overlap with the Komen Race for the Cure, many of the students also had a late morning rehearsal for their Spring play. Notwithstanding, we had a record turnout, with 77 students participating. Many of them had first run the race, then zoomed over to our event, then onto rehearsal. That was, indeed, a fine example of Service Above Self!



**Celebrations**

**Member Birthdays:**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tom Matarazzo  
 4<sup>th</sup> – Kristina McCarthy  
 8<sup>th</sup> – Graham Whitfield  
 16<sup>th</sup> – Nixon LaJoie  
 27<sup>th</sup> – Marty Gibbs

**Member Anniversaries:**  
 14<sup>th</sup> – Lisa Kline Goldstein and James Loesch  
 29<sup>th</sup> – Ozzie and Ana Osborne



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL (RI) NEWS:** Rotary International has designated certain specific days and months of the year as times for Rotary clubs to emphasize the involvement of all Rotarians in designated activities. **February has been designated as World Understanding Month**, a time to highlight Rotary’s goal of world understanding and peace. **February 23rd**, the anniversary of the first ever Rotary club meeting, is observed as **World Understanding and Peace Day**. On that day, clubs are expected to give special recognition to Rotary’s commitment to international understanding, friendship and peace.

**ROTARY DISTRICT 6930 NEWS:** **ROTARY DISTRICT 6930 2013/2014 DISTRICT CONFERENCE.** Club Med, Sandpiper Bay, Port St. Lucie, **MAY 16, 17, 18, 2014**. Lots of fun, plenty of sun, motivation, inspiration, fellowship and service. Includes 3 days and 2 nights accommodations (double occupancy), gourmet dining, FULL OPEN BAR (ALCOHOL INCLUDED), daily entertainment. \$310.00 per adult and \$155.00 for ages 2-15 (ALL tips and gratuities included). Day passes are available for \$99.00 per person and include access to meetings, meals and amenities from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. For more information, visit <http://www.rotary6930.org/>.

**January ‘Service Above Self’ Award Recipient Selected**

On January 31<sup>st</sup>, the Palm Beach Day Academy selected Hannah Morross as the January recipient of our ‘Service Above Self’ Award.

Cynthia Kanai, Community Service Director for PBDA, recognized Hannah at the weekly school assembly. Hannah is in eighth grade. She was chosen for participating in every community service event since sixth grade, including cooking at Quantum House, gleaning, and spending time visiting with, and entertaining, Dr. Paley’s kids/patients. Outside of school, she has volunteered with her temple, working in a soup kitchen, painting houses, and helping to support an orphanage.

The ‘Service Above Self’ Award is presented to one student who has excelled in community service and leadership. In order to qualify for the SASA, students must submit an essay to Mrs. Kanai summarizing what they have completed in the way of community service and/or what leadership actions they have taken that embody the ideals of Rotary’s 4-Way Test. A panel of teachers then evaluates these essays and selects one recipient for the monthly award.

Our next ‘Service Above Self’ presentation will be on Friday February 21<sup>st</sup> in the new Matthews Performing Arts Center located at 241 Seaview Avenue in Palm Beach. Weekly assembly starts at 8:00 a.m. and typically lasts less than one hour. We encourage our members to attend and see how our Club and Rotary are influencing the younger generation in a positive way.

**History of Valentine’s Day**

February 14 is Valentine’s Day. Although it is celebrated as a lovers’ holiday today, it originated in 5th century Rome as a tribute to St. Valentine, a Catholic bishop.

For eight hundred years prior to the establishment of Valentine’s Day, the Romans had practiced a pagan celebration in mid-February commemorating young men’s rite of passage to the god Lupercus. In an effort to do away with the pagan festival, instead of worshipping this pagan god, the Church looked for a suitable patron saint of love to take his place. They found an appropriate choice in Valentine, who, in AD 270, had been beheaded by Emperor Claudius.

Claudius had determined that married men made poor soldiers. So he banned marriage from his empire. But Valentine would secretly marry young men that came to him. When Claudius found out about Valentine, he first tried to convert him to paganism. But Valentine reversed the strategy, trying instead to convert Claudius. When he failed, Valentine was stoned and beheaded.

During the days that Valentine was imprisoned, he fell in love with the blind daughter of his jailer. His love for her, and his great faith, managed to miraculously heal her from her blindness before his death. Before he was taken to his death, he signed a farewell message to her, "From your Valentine." The phrase has been used on his day ever since.



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