

*Celebrating 87 Years of Service*

**JANUARY 19th, 2010**

**PRESIDING**  
**Pres. Gary Bryant**

**NATIONAL PLEDGE**  
**Lalai Hamric**

**INVOCATION**  
**David Shaw**

**FOUR-WAY TEST**  
**Gene Gallagher**

**MUSIC**  
**Lalai Hamric**

**NEXT WEEKS  
PROGRAM**  
*“Update on Florida  
Legislative Issues”  
with Cole Peacock*

**TO THINK UPON:**

“The sage never tries to store things up. The more he does for others, the more he has. The more he gives to others, the greater his abundance.”

~ Lao Tzu



## *This Week's Program:* **PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS**

*Introduction by Angela Shivinski*

Dr. Alice Brunner, Executive Director for PACE, will be our presenter, accompanied by their Director of Development, Melissa Simontis.

PACE Center for Girls, Inc. is a community-based, gender-responsive prevention, diversion and early intervention program serving girls, ages 12-17, in 17 locations across the state. The program fulfills the Department of Juvenile Justice's statutory requirement to provide prevention and gender-specific programming for girls.

PACE's successful model has been nationally recognized for helping girls find success in school, with their families and in their communities by integrating education, counseling, training and advocacy. PACE was recognized by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Girls Study Group as the most effective program in the nation for keeping adolescent girls out of the juvenile justice system and by the Annie E. Casey Foundation's KIDS COUNT Report, in a state by state analysis, as a national model for reducing recidivism and improving school success, employment and self sufficiency amongst girls.

## **WHAT IS A SCREAMING ORPHAN??**

The Screaming Orphans are a high -spirited band of four sisters from County Donegal, Ireland, who will rock the Sydney & Berne Davis Art Center on Friday, January 29th for “A Night Downtown” being presented by the Rotary Club of Fort Myers.

Beginning at 7:30pm, the musically-obsessed Diver sisters will play sets of original songs along with fresh takes on traditional Irish tunes with proceeds from the event benefiting the PACE Center for Girls of Lee County.

The sound of the Diver sisters has been compared to the Bangles and the Cran-

berries, and their musical influences range from the Beatles, R.E.M., Indigo Girls, and Abba to traditional Irish music.

Now residing in New York City, the quartet tours up and down the east coast, boasting a large following in Florida.

The Screaming Orphans are currently nominees for Top Celtic Rock Band by the Irish Music Awards.





## PRESIDENTS LETTER: January 19th, 2010



Dear Rotarians:

### HAITI RELIEF FUNDS

There are many of us in our Rotary Club, and together we can do something significant. As you might imagine, our Rotary District 6960 is putting together a relief fund so that we can send something to Haiti that will make a difference. If you would please, bring whatever personal contribution you would like to make to our meeting this coming Tuesday and we'll take up a collection. Checks can be made out to: "The Rotary Foundation" or "The Rotary Club of Ft. Myers Trust Fund".

We will also address and decide on a Club level contribution to the relief effort during our Board Meeting on January 21. If you would like to make your feelings known about that effort please feel free to come to our Board Meeting, or advise your Board Member representatives of how you feel. We would appreciate knowing how the Club would like for us to react to this crisis. I personally would like to see us send some Rotary Shelter Boxes to Haiti. I think we should do something special to help out.

Atta-Boy to our own President-Elect-Elect **Bob Sheehan** who is on standby as part of an emergency mortuary/graves registration team that is ready to go to Haiti to help support the relief efforts. Let's all keep our thoughts and prayers with Bob as he goes in the very near future to perform a tough but important duty to his fellow man. We are all behind you, Bob! You will represent our Club with the highest level of distinction. We thank you for what you do!!

Some of you have asked us what is the Screaming Orphans event all about, let's see if we can answer that: The Screaming Orphans are four ladies who have put together a fabulous musical show. The ever-popular orphans are from Donegal Ireland, and they have in store for us a night of fun and dance. This world-class show includes hits from the 50's and beyond, and promises to be one of the best shows of the year in Fort Myers.

The event will be held at the newly renovated and architecturally mesmerizing Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in downtown Fort Myers. The evening begins at 7:30PM, giving attendees a chance to dine at one of downtown's fantastic restaurants. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be available at the show as well as beer, wine, soft drinks, and iced tea. The dress is business casual, so please get your tickets now and plan on bringing a friend, co-workers, and family with you.

Tickets for the event are \$45 each, or you can get a

table for 8 for \$500. Please make checks payable to "The Rotary Club of Fort Myers Trust Fund". See **Roger or Mary Ward** for tickets. The proceeds from the event go to the PACE for Girls Lee County program, and to the Rotary International Polio eradication fund. Please buy your tickets as soon as possible, and we can even sell tickets at the door the night of the event.

We also now need some volunteers to help us work on the day of the event. What we need now is Rotarian volunteers to help as below:

- Two - four people to assist on Friday morning with set-up of chairs.
- Two - four people to assist at the end of the evening to tidy up the Art Center.
- Two - four people to assist in breaking down the chairs on Saturday morning.
- Two people to help tally the auction results. Please get signed up with Roger to help us out.

On board already we have signed up to help are:

- Ticket collection and sales - **Cherry, Eva, Wally, and David Shaw**
- Photos: **Paul Kling**
- Sound Engineer - **David Yates** (assisting the paid engineer)
- Table set-up: **Mary Ward** and **Crista Stouffer** -
- Table decorations: Donated by Pam Cronin from the Shell Factory.

ATTA-BOY's and GIRL's to all those folks for signing up to help.

We have also received help from the following sponsors. We can use additional sponsors so it is not too late to sign up.

- Prestige Health Choice - \$2,000 for our Friday event and \$2,000 for the Thursday event.
- Table pieces from the Shell Factory (Pam Cronin).
- Sound Equipment loaned to us by Chris Dwyer.
- Tickets printed by Rapid Print at no charge.
- Transportation donated by Good Wheels.
- Rooms (2 rooms for 3 nights) donated by the Hilton Garden Inn.
- Ticket locations given by University Grill, Southwest Capital Bank, La-Te-Da Spa and Salon, and the Sidney

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and Berne Davis Art Center.

- Back packs for the kids at PACE, the Marine Institute and the Children's hospital donated by Prestige Health Choice.
- Flyer and programs donated by Fort Myers Toyota (**Pamela Templeton**).

We have had an overwhelming flood of requests to bring Mr. Johnny Sheppard back to the Club for the 2nd half of his early Fort Myers History Program. I don't ever remember our membership asking for somebody to come back to finish a program, so we are going to honor your wishes and we will bring him back a little later. Mr. Sheppard has also been kind enough to get us some additional books for those of you who didn't get one. We will have those extra books at our next couple of meetings. Johnny also was kind enough to donate all the proceeds from the book sales, \$800, back to our Club. Thank you Mr. Sheppard for a great program and for your generous donation to our Club. You are always welcome at our Club.

Red Sox parking is just around the corner. We have more games and more parking area this year than ever before to cover. So let's all be getting psyched up and ready to "park 'em". We'll have schedule information out soon. **Tom Feurig** will be our Parking Chairman this year and we'll all need to pitch in and help out.

ATTA-BOY to our Trust Fund Custody and Allocations Committees. Those two committees are meeting regularly to develop a recommended Trust Fund Investment Strategy for caring for our Trust Fund, and also for allocating our funds to community organizations. Thanks to those good Rotarians for your important work.

A big ATTA-GIRL to **Leah McCann** who has jumped right in to work on the Friendship Table. Way to go Leah!

ATTA-BOY to **David Yates** for the continued great job that he does with our weekly RotarYaks. David continues week after week to set the standard for Rotary Club weekly publications. Thank you David!!

Just so we are all clear, White Badge members can bring guests to our meetings and they can propose new members for the Club. I have had recent new members ask me if they can bring guests and propose new members and the answer is, YES! We would like for all our members to be on the lookout for quality future Rotarians. Please bring them on.

It is great to see so many of us coming to our Tuesday meetings! It is particularly good to see some folks recently that we hadn't seen in a while. It is also really good to see so many of our Senior Active, Rule of 85, Members coming out to join us. Thank you all for coming!

— Gary



## Happy Birthday

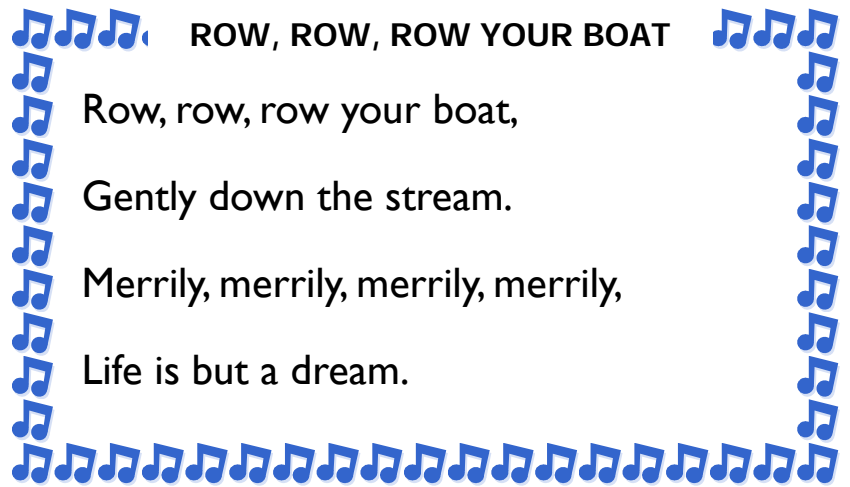
Dan Detrick & Marty Redovan 21st  
Nathan Gindele, & Phil LeBoutillier 22nd  
Paul Herring 23rd  
John Jack & Rich Siggs 25th



## MEETING MAKE-UPS

Betsy Allen @ FMS – 100%  
Steve Calabro @ eClub  
Samira Beckwith @ FMS  
Bob Beville @ Red Sox Mtg. – 100%  
Robert Garland @ FMS – 100%  
Laura Hamel-Jones @ FMS  
Pat Mann @ Lehigh Acres – 100%  
James McCord @ Sunrise – 100%  
John McGowan @ FMS – 100%  
T. Wayne Miller @ Sunrise – 100%

**YOUR ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT!**  
Please remember to sign in on attendance sheets next to the badge boxes. We are getting better, but not signing not only effects your member



**ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR BOAT**

Row, row, row your boat,  
 Gently down the stream.  
 Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,  
 Life is but a dream.

**IMPORTANT ROTARY DATES**

21 JAN	Thu	7:00a	Club Board Meeting	Waterman Offices
21 JAN	Thu	5:00p	Trust Fund Requests Due	Rotary Office
23 JAN	Sat	7:00p	Rotary Night at Everblades	Germain Arena
29 JAN	Fri	7:00p	Screaming Orphans Fundraiser	Sidney & Berne Davis Arts Center
09 FEB	Tue	11a—2p	Blood Drive	RPYC
09 FEB	Tue	11:30a	Information Committee Meeting	RPYC

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**ROTARY CLUBS IN LEE COUNTY**

**MONDAY**

- Ft Myers South / 12:00PM / *Crowne Plaza, Bell Tower*

**TUESDAY**

- Ft Myers / 12:00PM / *Royal Palm Yacht Club*  
 - Estero / 12:00PM / *Elks Club on Coconut Road*

**WEDNESDAY**

- Ft Myers East / 7:30AM / *3500 Riverhall Pkwy.*  
 - Ft Myers Sunrise / 7:30AM / *Hilton Garden Inn*  
 - Bonita Springs / 7:30AM / *Spring Run Clubhouse*  
 - Cape Coral / 8:00AM / *La Venezia*  
 - Cape Coral N. / 6:30PM / *Cosmopolitan Grill*

**THURSDAY**

- Lehigh Acres / 12:00PM / *Haney's Cafe*  
 - North Ft Myers / 8:00AM / *Pincher's Crab Shack*  
 - Bonita Springs / 12:00PM / *Spanish Wells C.C.*

**FRIDAY**

- Sanibel-Captiva / 7:30AM / *Beachview*  
 - Cape Coral Gold Coast / 12:00PM / *Gulf Coast Village*

**MISSED IT? MAKE IT UP!**  
**LINKS TO ONLINE MAKE-UPS**  
[www.RotaryFortMyers.org](http://www.RotaryFortMyers.org)  
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*Please advise the Rotary Office of any changes  
 to club meeting places, times, etc.*