



Royal Palm Beach Rotary Club Newsletter

April 14, 2016

NEWS

Contribute to the newsletter! Committee news, club news, member news, and photographs are welcome. Please send submissions to Taiye Sangoyomi (taiye@yahoo.com)

Speaker from April 7 meeting was motivational speaker Evan Piper.



RPB President Bruce Elkind with Evan Piper

Evan is wheelchair bound, paralyzed from an airplane crash in 2001. His immobility, however, has not stopped him from doing what he wants to do. Since his accident, he has gone on to start several businesses, is an avid sportsman (tennis and water skiing) and helps others with disabilities like himself. He credits

being able to do this with maintaining a positive attitude no matter the circumstances, persisting and never giving up, leaving his comfort zone, and believing that nothing is impossible.

Feature News: Clubs Battle Hunger in Missouri With 'Food Fight'

Though the media tends to focus on underdeveloped countries when the subject is hunger, food scarcity is also a problem in the United States.

Consider parts of Missouri, where one of every six people goes hungry, according to the Food Bank for Central & North-east Missouri.

Rotary member Steve Dulle wanted to change that. For his induction as the 2015/2016 governor of District 6080, he eschewed a traditional installation featuring fine food and formal wear.

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Future Speakers/Program

Date	Speaker
14-Apr-2016	Maxime Piron , exchange student from Belgium
21-Apr-2016	Lynn Balch
28-Apr-2016	Club Business Meeting

Recap from April 7, 2016 meeting by Bruce Elkind

- Council on Legislation link on club website
- RLI April 16 at Keiser Univ. WPB
- District Assembly May 14 at Keiser Univ. WPB
- District Conference June 24-26 Hutchinson Marriott
- Installation Banquet June 18 Madison Green
- Quarter Dues went out
- Social/Membership drive possible this last quarter
- Foundation Giving \$5770 YTD
- Ball Drop April 15th
- Josh the Otter around the corner
- Crystal Apple Award will be given out before schools end
- Scholarship committee awaiting applications
- Board meeting held April 13
- Weekly speaker was Evan Piper...Motivational Speaker
- Next week's speaker...Maxime Piron...exchange student from Belgium
- Card game returned

Crystal Apple Award by Tony Endler

The Crystal Apple Award was started by the Royal Palm Beach Rotary Club in the 1993-94 school year to bring awareness to the public in Royal Palm Beach about the great teaching skills of the fine teachers in our school system, the wonderful things that they accomplish and the influence that they have on the students in their classrooms.

This has now become known as the "Teacher of the Year" award given by the members of the Royal Palm Beach Rotary Club. One of the missions of this award is to foster higher education for our youth, not only here in our own community but all over the world.

Since inception, 21 teachers have been recipients of this award. All teachers are worthy of an award of some kind, but the Crystal Apple is given to a teacher, chosen by their peers, as someone who is outstanding.

As always we are excited to present this award again to a very deserving teacher for the 2015-16 school year.

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Instead, he asked members throughout the district to collect nonperishable provisions and volunteer at local food banks and pantries on the day that he took office. And he launched a month-long “food fight” that pit clubs in the northern part of his district against those in the south to see who could

namely a dedication to service,” says Dulle. “This was the first time we did a service project for our district — it united us.”

The Rotary Club of Jefferson City Breakfast took top honors for the amount of food brought in, collecting more than 2,500



Rotary members from Columbia, Missouri, volunteer at a regional food bank

collect the most food.

The north won — as did the area’s hungry residents. Rotary members, Rotaractors, and their the service we were doing,” he says. “Because of the project, clubs are continuing to work with their food banks.”

And that promises families and friends collected more than 10,000 pounds of food and raised nearly \$19,000 for Missouri’s food pantries.

“I wanted to start off my year with an example of what it should primarily portray,

pounds of nonperishable items outside a supermarket on Saturdays in July. The Rotary Club of Columbia-Metro contributed the most labor, volunteering 258 hours at the Food Bank of Central & Northeast Missouri. And the Columbia South, Fulton and Jefferson City Evening clubs collected the most money for the cause, more than \$2,000 each.

Rotary members and guests even repackaged nearly 5,000 pounds of Rice Krispies for local food pantries.

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Dulle says that a volunteer stood on a ladder and shoveled the cereal from a 15-foot box into a large pan, which was eventually divided by others into serving sizes for innumerable plastic containers ready for delivery.

Local Rotaract members pitched in as well. “Coordinated projects like these are able to take service projects to another level,” says Jolyn Sattizahn, president of the Rotaract Club of Columbia, who helped with the effort. Of the 49 clubs in the district, 36 participated in the initiative.

Larry Price, president of the Rotary Club of Mountain View, says he’ll never forget volunteering at an Ozarks Food Harvest pantry.

“Frankly, I had no idea that so many people in Mountain View were being served at this site,” he says. “And the beneficiaries of the

program were quick to express their appreciation to the volunteers as they made their way around the tables.”

Dulle’s 28 June installation as district governor, at the Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri, was atypical. There was no banquet, attendees wore shorts, and the governor was sworn in during a lunch break. He wouldn’t have done it any differently.

“It was important that the project be hands-on so we could better feel to make a dent in the district’s hunger problem in the years to come.

By David Sweet

Rotary News

22-Dec-2015

Royal Palm Beach Rotary Club Leaders

President	Elkind, Bruce Lee
President-Elect & Program	Logan, Steven Mark
Vice President	Jordano, Keith
Secretary	Scherer, Joan
Sergeant-at-Arms	Sangoyomi, Taiye
Club RI Foundation Chair	Bhandary, Sharada Ram

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Club Service Co-Chair	Balch, Lynn
Club Service Chair	Fehribach, Michael
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Meeting Information

Location:

Wild West Diner, 12041 Southern Blvd., Loxahatchee, FL 33470

Date & Time:

Thursdays, 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

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