



The Villages - Evening
Rotary
Club



Evening Edition
April 14, 2021

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is a leadership program coordinated by Rotary Clubs around the globe. Each year, thousands of young people participate in this program. Young people ages 13–30 are sponsored by Rotary Clubs to attend the event run by the club's district committee. Participants are chosen for their leadership potential. Rotary District cover all participants. The format of the event varies from district to district, but commonly take the form of a seminar, camp, or workshop to discuss leadership skills and to learn those skills through practice. Rotary clubs and districts select participants and facilitate the event's curriculum.



In 1959, the State Government of Queensland, Australia, invited local Rotary Clubs to help plan an event to help celebrate the upcoming centennial of the state. Princess Alexandra, who was in her early 20s was due to attend the celebrations, so activities were planned specifically for the princess's age group.
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Meeting

Unfortunately , our president was unable to join us in person and the club was forced to put up with Past-President Tim T. Between in person and on line we had 28 members in attendance.

The meeting started with our usual pledge, reflection, introduction of guests, and happy/sad. Then PP Tim T. shared some highlights from the board meeting. If anyone would like to see copies of minutes from a board meeting you can contact our secretary, Sue B. and she will send you a copy.

Our speaker this week was Paul Quinn, who

is the Outreach Director for Langley Health Services (LHS)

LHS is one of 76 Federal Qualified Healthcare Centers (FQHC) in the state of Florida. LHS has over 200 employees located in 12 sites through the tri-county area.

LHS values our patients and staff by supporting our community and providing an expansive range of services. We seek to collaborate with progressive partners.

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The *gundoo*, an aboriginal word meaning "festival" or "fun together," was deemed successful with more than 300 men and women between the ages of 17 and 23 attending. Encouraged by the event's popularity with the young attendees, Rotary saw potential to create an annual youth program based on *Gundoo*. The governor of the then District 260, Art Brand, approved the project and on 2 May 1960, RYLA was an official Rotary project.

Australian districts 258 and 260 established a committee together that developed the official framework of RYLA, to train youth ages 14-30 in character, leadership, personal development, and good citizenship. These guidelines helped RYLA expand to all Rotary districts in Australia and led to its approval as a Rotary International program by the RI Board at the 1971 Convention in Sydney, Australia.

RYLA aims to:

- Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth;
- Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders;
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth;
- Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities.

Every RYLA program covers the following core topics:

- Fundamentals of leadership
- Ethics of positive leadership
- Importance of communication skills in effective leadership
- Problem-solving and conflict management
- Rotary's purpose and service to the community
- Building self-confidence and self-esteem
- Elements of community and global citizenship



In 2017 our club sponsored 8 students From the South Sumter High School Interact Club who attended RYLA.

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We strive to hire, develop, and promote professionals who resonate with our mission, vision and values.

Last year LHS had over 76,000 visits serving over 26,000 patients. Services include medical services, mobile medical units, dental services, diagnostic imaging, laboratory, podiatry, and pharmacy. They currently are providing COVID vaccines and have done over 67,000 so far.

More important to our club is the partnership

we have formed with LHS to provide dental services to veterans in financial need. Currently veterans, who qualify, can receive routine dental work through the Sunshine Veterans Dental Program. They pay only \$5.00, the program paying \$45.00 and LHS writes off the balance. In addition, the program has instituted a new program to provide dentures to these veterans. The veteran pays 50% of the cost and the program pays 50%. Thanks to former member Fred Robey's contribution the program has enough funding to do 18 more dentures.

**St Theresa's Impact Fund
March Report**

Mother with child, homeless, provided three nights in motel to stabilize her situation. **\$ 237.47**

Client and his wife became homeless when the home they were living in was sold. He actively was seeking work. She is in very poor health. We provided four nights in motel. They have been living in their car. However, she is ill and he cannot get work with her in the car. Individual was able to get three jobs and expects to be stable soon. **\$ 386.00**

Elderly woman unable to make her utility payments. She is in need of another place to live, because she cannot afford her current rental home. **\$ 296.67**

Assisted individual with utility payment who was facing shut-off. Balance was covered by another grant. **\$ 53.39**

Assisted homeless woman with phone activation for safety/security and so she could pursue work. She did get work and has since stabilized her self **\$ 16.45**

Carryover **\$ 10.02**

Meeting Assignments

Greeter

Apr 21st Pat C.
Apr 28th Pat C.
May 5th Cinco de Mayo
May 12th Kate T.

Set-Up

Apr 21st Marvin I.
Apr 28th Marvin I.
May 5th Cinco de Mayo
May 12th Open

Reflection

Apr 21st Kat S.
Apr 28th Kat S.
May 5th Cinco de mayo
May 12th Tim T.

Clean-Up

Apr 21st Martha F.
Apr 28th Kat S.
May 5th Cinco de Mayo
May 12th Open



*Rotary Club of The Villages - Evening
cordially invites you to a*

Baby Shower

Friday, April 30, 10 am to 2 pm

At these locations in La Plaza Grande West on Bichara Blvd

**Village Car Wash * Hungry Howie's Pizza
Bella's Hair Studio * Sewing Studio**

Help us fill a playpen with baby essentials to benefit new moms at these

Tri-County organizations:

Kids Central ~ Hope Pregnancy Resource Center ~ Hands of Mercy Everywhere ~ Langley Healthy Start



For more information visit us at www.rotaryvillagesevening.com

CART Fundraiser for Alzheimer's Update

The final count on golf carts was 292. Considering the amount of time we had to pull it together, that was an exciting start for what we hope will become an annual event. We raised over \$8,000 for CART which helped push the CART dollar total for the fiscal year over the \$1,000,000 mark!

If anybody wants to send feedback on the event, has suggestions or want to volunteer for next year, please send an

Change of Time

Starting Wednesday, April 14th our meetings will begin at 5:00pm with our regular half hour social time followed by the meeting at 5:30pm and the speaker at 6:00pm

Officers & Directors

Officers

- President
Gay Ratcliff-Seamens
- President Elect
Julie Schmied
- President Elect Nominee
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- Secretary
Sue Bodenner
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- Club Positions
Sergeant-at-Arms
Dusty Rhodes
- Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms
Open
- Assistant Treasurer
Tim Treat
- Assistant Secretary
Open
- Programs
Jim Bodenner

Guests

- Chuck Bares
- Bob Haas
- Fred Robey
- Kay Baker
- Rich Tapia

Notes and Announcement

After Meeting Dinner

On April 14th the fellowship dinner will be held at Palmer Legends at 7:00pm. Anyone interested in attending please call Norm D. at 352-751-4659 no later than April 13th.

Thank You

Our club's Foundation contributed \$1,000 to Project Las Americas, a non profit that empowers local causes in the Dominican Republic and Haiti. We received the following thank you.

"Thank you for your contribution in support of the international vision of Project Las Americas. We remain committed to empowering young women, effective education, building communities, and enhancing health via safe water. Your help has alleviated sickness, promoted peace, created opportunity, provided education, and fostered unity. So much has been done with your help."

"Absolutely 100% of your contribution will go towards benefiting the COVID-19 Feeding project. We use no donor contributions for fund raising or administrative costs, our board of directors are required to cover their expense."

Currently we are conducting "hybrid" meetings every Wednesday **starting at 5:00pm**. You can attend in person at Lake Miona (face mask and Villages ID required), or join by ZOOM.

Meeting ID 826 152 7480 and Password 84594

Meetings

Apr 21st Pam Donin - Blankets for Kids

Committee Meetings

Apr 21st New Board Meeting—ZOOM

Apr 28th Service projects - ZOOM

Event

Apr 17th District Assembly

Apr 26th Appreciation Party

Apr 30th Baby Shower

May 5th Cinco de Mayo Fellowship Dinner

May 15th District Conference