

**Message from President Ellen:**

We as a club cannot control what is on the RI website but we can control what we focus on in our meetings and in our service. Rotary is a rare opportunity for people from different political parties to work together for the common good of our community and world. I am proud of our club and our many accomplishments. If anyone has any concerns about our club or the RI website that they would like to discuss with me, please reach out to me outside of our meeting. You can reach me at 412-925-9544 or ellencruse@comcast.net

**International Coastal Cleanup-** Our club is working with Keep Brevard Beautiful for this cleanup. Join us as for a fun filled morning cleaning up Fischer Park! We recommend bringing a reusable wa-

ter bottle, wearing clothes you don't mind getting dirty, and a can-do attitude!

Date: Sat Sep 21 2024

Time: 8am - 12pm

Location: Sidney Fischer Park • 2200 North Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

**October is World Polio Month, and Ice Cream will be consumed...**

Oasis Shaved Ice and the Fat Donkey have signed on to help us raise money and awareness for Polio Eradication. A portion of proceeds will be donated to polio vaccines, and I look forward to enjoying lots of my favorite sweet treats! More info to follow.

**Study Abroad Opportunities with Rotary Youth Exchange**

Students between the ages of 14 and 18 can participate in our study abroad programs. Short term exchanges typically

## Recent Club Highlights:

happen over the Summer break where a student is matched with a student overseas. The Florida student goes to spend 3-4 weeks overseas in the home of the host sibling, and the students return here together to stay with the Florida student's family for 3-4 weeks. Long term exchange is an academic year abroad. Applications are due in November and the student attends orientations for training over the Winter, Spring and Summer before their departure in July or August. Note that for every long term student that we send out, our district must host a student from overseas.

The Rotary Club of Rockledge is currently hosting a 16 year old girl from Uganda. Contact Ellen if you have any questions about the exchange programs or hosting a student.

**Save the Date!**

September 21: International Coastal Cleanup Beach Cleanup- Volunteers needed, See Debbie and Sally

September 26: Happy Hour from 5-7 at Sage in Cape Canaveral

October 2: 6-8 PM at Oasis Shaved Ice, Polio Purge Fundraiser

October 24: World Polio Day- Ice Cream

promos at Oasis, the Fat Donkey and other ice cream shops

November 2: District Conference On Land, Keiser Univ. in Port St. Lucie

November 7-10: District Conference Cruise

December 4: Boat Parade Captain's Party at Beachside Hotel and Suites

December 14: Christmas Street Parade and Christmas Boat Parade

**Rotary Anniversaries**

David Brown  
13 years

Ellen Cruse  
2 years

Jeremy, Grubb,  
Kyle, Muskoff,  
Debbie, Paule  
1 year

**Wedding Anniversaries**

John Alexander to Shelly  
42 years

Sally Ellison to John  
29 years

„The future belongs to those who prepare for it today.“

Malcolm X

## CLUB RAFFLE RESULTS

08/07/24	PATRICK BOLS	13.00
08/14/24	ELLEN CRUSE	12.00
08/21/24	SALLY ELLISON	16.00

*Jackpot available at  
start of September:  
154.00*

## Happy Birthday

Deremont, Kimberly Sep. 18  
Powers, Timothy Sep. 23

**Recent and Upcoming Speakers:**

Sep. 04 CLUB ASSEMBLY- Ellen and Committee Chairs

Sep. 11 TARA Pagliarini or MARK Sexton  
How Family Promise of Brevard helps bring the homeless out of poverty

Sep. 18 Dean Schaaf  
Military History Museum, Plaza and Park

Sep. 25 Commissioner Wayne Justice  
The Port of Canaveral