### **Club Meeting**

Stuart-Sunrise Meets at Banyan Creek Country Club 1701 SW Crane Creek Ave Palm City, FL 34990 Time: Thursday at 07:30

**Speakers** 

#### **Birthdays**



Charles S Dame III April 10th



Susan A Shirley April 15th

#### Club Member Anniversaries

No Years Of Service Found

## Rotary News for April 3, 2025

By Beth Brownell

President Tom led the Pledge and Beth offered the invocation to the light crowd attending.

Linda distributed wildflower seeds for members to plant as April is Environmental month for Rotary International. Supporting the environment became the seventh area of focus for RI.

Thanks to Kathy and JD for distributing water to the runners at the top of Veteran's Bridge during the We Do Good 5k. JD overcame her fear of heights to be of service! Thanks to Linda and Matt for manning the club publicity table in Jock Leighton Park. Charles is planning next year's run to support a local Vietnam era veteran.

The Hygiene Supply Drive is on! Please bring hygiene products to the April meetings to supply the pantry at House of Hope. Donations my also be brought to Palm City Eye Care. Thanks Dr. Jason Davis!

President Tom had issued a call to action for members to contribute to The Rotary Foundation. Funds given to the Foundation support good work worldwide and the portion of this year's contributions that are returned to the district in three years will be available to the club for a grant. These funds have historically been used to reimburse the club Foundation for the cost of the dictionaries.

There is a club Board meeting after next week's regular meeting.

Dues are due. Members received email bills from HBK. If you did not receive one, let President Tom know.

Business cards were distributed advertising the TC Brew Mile on May 10. This event will be a blend of running, community, and the delight of craft beer. Hosted by the TC Brew Fest, Vine and Barley, and We Do Good, it is another opportunity for our club to have a public face to people who are already community-minded. Check out their Facebook page for more information: TC Brew Mile 2025.

Happy Dollars were given in honor of birthdays and fun at the Bridge Run. Carrie was happy to be at the meeting. JD was proud of herself for going to the top of the bridge to distribute water. Butch had to give a late dollar. Mike was happy to not be ill. John R. will be retiring on April 18 and hopes to golf more. There were dollars given for Duke and the Gators in the Final Four. Matt donated a \$2 bill. Nils reported on a project he did with the Early Learning Center which demonstrated just how little the educators are paid. Charles reported that the WDG run raised \$5800 for the local family of a deceased veteran.

Matt won the 50/50.

# Jennifer Fox, CEO Safe Space

By Beth Brownell

Jennifer Fox, CEO, reviewed the basics of Safe Space, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. The group aims to achieve freedom from domestic violence by providing many different types of services for women, children and men. Services range from the 24/7 crisis hotline (772-288-7023), providing

emergency shelters, counseling, advocacy, legal assistance, classes on financial literacy, and community outreach. All services are free of charge to those who seek refuge from physical and emotional abuse. There are two emergency shelters on the Treasure Coast to provide those who need a safe place to stay. The organization is state-certified, and its programs and finances are monitored. Fundraising is currently ongoing to improve security inside and outside the shelters, which will increase the residents' feelings of safety, as well as to update and expand the kitchen and laundry equipment to better serve the residents.



For more information, check out their website: SafeSpacefl.org