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Gateway to the Islands



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A man should choose a friend who is better than himself. There are plenty of acquaintances in the world; but very few real friends. – Chinese Proverb

NEW MEETING LOCATION!

**Faith United Methodist Church
15690 McGregor Blvd., Room 106
From McGregor Blvd, turn in right and go until you
have to turn left. Look for "Kiwaniis" sign.**

Meeting Calendar

October 19	Dotty St. Amand - Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center
October 26	Gena Dengler - Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
November 2	Board Meeting
November 5	Committee Reports Due
November 9	Susan Schmitt – Ambassador Academy



Faith United's Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat
Sunday, October 31, 6:00-7:30 pm.
Contact Kelly Sonnanstine at
ksonnans@hotmail.com to donate money/candy.
If you plan to bring your car, please arrive by
5:30 pm.

A Short Survey

Please help us make our club as member-friendly as possible by answering the following questions. Responses will be discussed at the November Board meeting with results to follow. Please email your responses to Diane Connell at dconnell@cac-swfl.org. Thank you!

1. Would you attend Club meetings if they were held at 11:45 AM on a different day of the week?

Yes No

If "yes", which day of the week would you prefer?

Monday Wednesday Thursday Friday

2. Would you attend Club meetings if they were held at:

7:00 AM Yes No

7:30 AM Yes No

If "yes" to either, which day of the week would you prefer?

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

In addition, please include any comments particularly as they relate to NOT being able to attend on a specific day/time.

GTTI's Biggest Fundraiser Continues!

Delicious Dining Discount books are still available for purchase. This year's edition contains "buy one get one" offers from 47 Lee County restaurants. At only \$20 per book, it's a great value. For more information, contact Viki Luster at: vluster@nvtlsi.com. To find out where to purchase books, visit our club website: www.kiwanisqtti.com.

Coming Soon....

FEEDING THE 5000 Thanksgiving Outreach

www.feedingthe5000.net

Contact Kelly Sonnanstine at ksonnans@hotmail.com

Service Opportunities

Hats and Hugs – **NEW stuffed animals** for Children's Advocacy Center and **hats** for The Children's Hospital.

Tales for Tots – **Children's books** for ages 0-2 for Brightest Horizons.

The Heights Foundation – Mom and Tots Play Group, Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 am. If interested, please contact Diane Connell at: dconnell@cac-swfl.org.

The Junior League needs volunteers for **Taste of the Town** on 11/7/10. Please contact Danielle Emery if you are interested at danielle.m.emery@ampf.com.

The **Fort Myers Beach Chamber** seeks volunteers for the **Sandsculpting Contest**, November 10-14. Contact Terry Luster at tluster@nvtlsi.com.

October 12, 2010 Meeting Highlights

- **Members welcomed guest speaker, Harris Segel.**
- **If you have not already done so, please answer the survey questions (see "A Short Survey", above). Thank you!**
- **If you can attend the Division Council meeting on October 21, please let Danielle Emery know (danielle.m.emery@ampf.com). If at least 3 members attend, this meeting will count as an Interclub. Members agreed to strive for 100% Interclub participation.**
- **Good/Bad news: Kelly Sonnanstine's new job (good news), prevents her from serving as Club Secretary (bad news). However, the Board members present voted to re-elect Terry Luster as Secretary (good news)!**
- **If any committee chairs are having trouble completing the online committee reports, please contact Terry Luster for assistance at tluster@nvtlsi.com.**
- **Sue Schmitt was inducted as our newest member. She was sponsored by Connie Schmucker who received a pin for her efforts. Welcome Sue!**

- **President-Elect Dave Stauffer presented Harris Segel with a check for our Club's contribution to the Florida Kiwanis Foundation.**

Guest Speaker: Harris Segel – Florida Kiwanis Foundation

The Florida Kiwanis Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the District. The Foundation's \$1.2 million endowment supports the District's Service Leadership Programs (K-Kids, Builder's Clubs, Key Clubs, CKI and Aktion Clubs), as well as matching grants to clubs. The matching grants program emphasizes capital investments with a lasting impact. To be eligible, clubs must be in good standing (ie annually donate \$5 per member to the Foundation), show evidence of matching funds, and agree to publicize the award.

In addition to club contributions, the Foundation supports itself through the sale of member recognition items, the District Convention's Caring Corner, sustaining memberships (\$25 per year) and gifts to the Legacy Society (a minimum \$5,000 bequest).

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