



# Rotary Club of North Fort Myers

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## Gator Tales



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We meet Thursdays 8:00 a.m., Three Fishermen Seafood Restaurant, N. Ft. Myers

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This weeks speaker: Introduction by Jack Hess

Jeffrey Hess - Author

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Jeff was born in New York and raised in North Fort Myers. A graduate of North Fort Myers High, Jeff is the author of the novels, "No Salvation", "Tushhog", "Beachhead" and the story collection, "Cold War Canoe Club", as well as the editor of the award-winning anthologies "Home of the Brave: Stories in Uniform", and Home of the "Brave: Somewhere in the Sand".

His writings have appeared in Midway Journal; O-Dark-Thirty; Noir Nation; Needle: A Magazine of Noir; Plots with Guns; Shotgun Honey; r.kv.r.y.; The MacGuffin; and Prime Number Magazine, among others.

Prior to earning a Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing from Queens University of Charlotte and a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of South Florida, Jeff served aboard the Navy's oldest and newest ships. He's published numerous short stories that recall this period of his life.

Jeff has held writing positions at a daily newspaper, a Fortune 500 company, and a university-based research center.

Jeff lives in Tampa, Florida with his lovely wife Lauren, where he writes and leads the DD-214 Writers' Workshop for military veterans.

"Hess is one of those rare talents who tells a great story with compelling characters, pacing and action."

- Terrence McCauley

**PLEASE WELCOME JEFFREY HESS !!!!!**

**IF YOU DIDN'T REALIZE IT, OUR OWN JACK HESS IS JEFF'S PROUD FATHER**

**Wonderful Christmas/Holiday party enjoyed by all.  
Thanks to Norm and his committee**

### PLANNING AHEAD

**Dec 13: J Colin English Toy Project (9:45)—See Dwight**

**Dec 21: Salvation Army Bell Ringing - See Jack**

**Dec 26: No meeting - Enjoy Christmas Holiday**

**Feb 8: Bike Night - See David**

**Mar 10: Travel Raffle Drawing - 6 PM North Star Yacht Club Scholarship Wine & Cheese Social**

**April 18: Golf Tournament - See Terry**



Ed Shumate won the \$11.00 50/50 But not the \$85 Pot



## INVOCATION

May those assembled here today enjoy the many offerings of Rotary. May we abide by the rules we have established, those of trust, fellowship and ethics, and may we place Service above Self in our daily endeavors.

Amen.

**“Toast To Rotary  
and Peace - through  
Service - the World Over.”**



Share  
Rotary  
Propose  
A  
New  
Member

### The Four Way Test Of the Things We Think, Say, and Do

- First, is it the truth?
- Second, is it fair to all concerned?
- Third, will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Fourth, will it be beneficial to all concerned?

**Of course it will, Now go out and live it!**

### Guest Speakers

Next Week 12-19: Rotary Family Christmas Breakfast  
Last Week: Will Barnes - So you want your A/C to heat your home



### Birthdays & Anniversaries



<u>Member</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Morrill Dunn	12-05
David Rice	12-12

<u>Member</u>	<u>Wedding Anv.</u>
Fran Smith	12-05
Craig Gindele	12-14

<u>Member</u>	<u>Club Anv.</u>
George Sinko	12-09
Morrill Dunn	12-14
Allan Parvey	12-31

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