



The Spoke

“Our Extraordinary Raffle”

“Thanks to George Coban and his Committee for a job well done.”



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LASTWEEK'S MEETING

President Bobbi presided. **Carl Schwing** delivered the invocation; **Gary Price** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Jason Dolle** the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** conducted a rousing version of "Sing Rotarians."

A Great Start



Newlywed **President-elect Sandy and Wayne Hemstead** began our meeting in an unprecedented and elegant fashion by treating us to celebratory

dance routine. Congratulations and thanks Sandy and Wayne.

A Member Moment

Carol Johnson stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. A native of Fort Wayne Indiana, Carol has been a Florida resident since 1976, obtaining her real estate license and beginning work for AD Miller. Her career blossomed and she enjoyed sales responsibilities for Park Shore Properties, Solamar, and ultimately lead sales person at Bonita Bay. Carol supports a number of philanthropic causes and endeavors in Southwest Florida. She has a particular interest in women's issues and human trafficking having recently returned from the International Justice Mission Prayer Seminar in Maryland. Thanks Carol for being a great Rotarian. We are happy you are a member of our Club.



President Bobbi commended **Geri Spaeth, Bill Banfield** and the entire Relay for Life Committee for their understanding work. Over \$2600 was raised in support of Relay's unique mission in the fight against cancer. Thank you for your commitment, passion and enthusiasm.

Become a Program Chair... Marjorie Rubacky offered us all that invitation as plans are currently underway to develop the 2014-2015 Program Year. The new Program Year begins in July. If you haven't already signed up to become a Program Host, please see Marjorie for additional information.

Chris Riesen reminded us that our Summer Golf Tour is about to get underway. We visit Bonita Bay this Saturday and Vasari the next. Watch your emails and be sure to participate in as many outings as you can. They're fun and offer a great way to relax and enjoy some of Southwest Florida's nicest golf courses.

Mark Generales announced that our May 10 Habitat work day will take place San Carlos Park this coming Saturday. If you haven't already done so, see Mark to review and sign the necessary paperwork. Thanks to all who have signed up to participate in this most Rotarian of projects.



Mark also reminded us that we will be presenting an "Ethics in Leadership Award" to a deserving individual within our community. **Jim O'Leary** and **Bob Lombardo** will be working with Mark on this project. The Award emphasizes and acknowledges those who exemplify ethics, commitment and compassion in a way that significantly and positively impacts our community. Please see Mark, Jim, or Bob with your thoughtful recommendations.

Around the Club

Boston to Key West...Jon McLeod

offered a training update. This is his last week of heavy riding his goal being of riding 575 miles by last Sunday. And don't forget about the two "pre-ride" events in support of Jon's noble initiative—May 17's "Paella Party" where \$40 per person entitles you to dinner and open bar and a "Spin Marathon" where you can rent a bike for an hour and perhaps catch a glimpse of what training for long distance riding is like. There will be a number of surprises and promotions—see Jon for all the details.



Last Week's Speaker

Last week we heard from Salvatore Lacagnina, D.O., the Vice President of Health and Wellness, Medical Director Wellness Centers and Medical Director, Employee Health Services for the Lee Memorial Health System. In his role, "Dr. Sal" seeks to motivate, educate and empower people to improve their health and wellness as he is currently responsible for developing a comprehensive employee health and wellness program for more than 10,500 employees in the Lee Memorial Health System. He preeminently



qualified to do so having earned his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine from the New College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Sal persuasively described a blueprint for wellness, disease management and risk factor reduction and the changes individuals

need to make to achieve that blueprint. Thanks Dr. Sal for a great presentation.

Congratulations Interactors

Steve McIntosh was kind enough to forward along a report on the Estero High School Interact Club's 2013-2014 activities. The Club currently has 65 members, devoting 700 hours of community service to 14 projects, among them work during the construction of the Community Garden last Fall (pictured right). Congratulations Interactors—you inspire us with your enthusiasm and understanding of the impact service has on the lives of others.



Rotary Club of Bonita Springs, chartered November 3, 1978, meets every Wednesday at Bonita Bay Club. The Club may be contacted through its mailing address P.O. Box 474, Bonita Springs Florida 34133, or its websites www.bonitaspringsrotary.org. and www.facebook.com/myrotary. **The Spoke**, the Club's official newsletter, is published weekly throughout the year (except when the Club is in recess.) You can reach the Spoke through its email riverchip12-spoke@yahoo.com



**"The Fifty-Fifty"
This Week's Big Prize-~~€~~\$3166.50**

A jubilant Ron Anderson drew the Two of Clubs to win ~~€~~\$500.

As always,..we're all winners as the "fifty-fifty" helps keep our Club strong and ready to serve.



It's A Birthday Celebration!

***Chris Riesen, May 12
Martha Erickson, May 13
Guy Quinn, May 13***



**Our
Upcoming
Speakers**

**This Morning,
Scott Flaig
"Cosmology"**

"Rotary Sings"

"Four Leafed Clover"



I'm looking
over a four
leaf clover
That I
overlooked
before
First is the
sunshine,

the second is rain
Third is the roses that
bloom in the lane

There's no need explaining
The one remaining is
somebody I adore
I'm looking over a four leaf
clover
That I overlooked before.

The 4-Way Test
Of the things we think, say or
do.

Is it the **TRUTH**?
Is its **FAIR** to all concerned?
Will it build **GOODWILL**
and **BETTER**
FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to
all concerned?

This Morning's Invocation

Dear God, we ask for wisdom and strength not our own
in order to make our citizenship and our professional
endeavors worthy examples of life lived with integrity and
compassion.

We intercede for members of this and other clubs who are
experiencing adversity of any kind. Sustain them by Your
grace and power. May they be uplifted and encouraged by
the support of their colleagues and friends.

We offer thanks for food awaiting our enjoyment in the
context of purposeful friendship. For the happy privilege
of just being here, we are grateful.

In the spirit, as well as with words of gratitude, we offer
this prayer. Amen.

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