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This Weeks Big Prize-\$1051



Last week a delighted **John Knowles** drew the Four of Clubs to win \$5.00

As always...the real winner is our Foundation which gets one half of the prize purse.

Happy Birthday

Ed Houck, September 21
Mike Liggins, September 21
Fred Partin, September 24

The Spoke
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The 4-Way Test
 of things we think, say or do.

Is it the TRUTH?
 Is it FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
 Will it build GOODWILL and
 BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all CONCERNED?



Let's Sing, Rotarians!

Shine on Harvest Moon

Oh, shine on,
 Shine on Harvest Moon
 Up in the sky.
 I ain't had no lovin' since Janu-
 ary,
 February, June or July.
 Snow time, ain't no time to stay
 Outdoors and spoon.
 So shine on, shine on
 Harvest Moon,
 For me and my gal.



Rotary Make-Up Opportunities

- Monday Fort Myers South/Holiday Inn Bell Tower (Noon)
- Tuesday Estero Spring Run 11:45 am
- Wednesday Naples Gulf Shore 730 am
 Naples Beach Hotel 12:15pm
 Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club
- Thursday Naples North Collier Athletic Club 7:30 am
 Bonita Springs-Spanish Wells CC
- Friday Naples-Pelican Bay Club at Pelican Bay 7:15 am

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 The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs**
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The Spoke

The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

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Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

September 21 2011



Last Meeting

President Jim presided. **Bob Lorenz** delivered the invocation. **John Knowles** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Camilla Campbell** led the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** led a rousing rendition of *Vive Le Rotary*.



Scott Anderson briefed us on this year's mentoring program at Florida Gulf Coast University. This year we will be partnering with the Estero Club in providing mentoring opportunities to our Rotaract FGCU students. If you are interested in more information or serving as a mentor in this most Rotarian of projects, please see Scott.

Today is the Deadline

This morning is the deadline to order your Rotary Caps and Shirts. If you have not already done so, please see **President Jim** or **Susan Schmitt** to place your order.

The Poinsettia Sale Is On!

President Jim advised us that the kick-off of this year's Poinsettia Sale has arrived. Now is the time to consider approaching businesses and companies as potential purchasers of our wonderful harbingers of the Christmas Season.

President Jim advised us that sale forms are available now—see **President Jim** for additional information.

This Week's Program

Jim Nathan

"Health Care: Implications and Challenges for Southwest Florida"

Last week we heard from **Jim Nathan**, President of the Lee Memorial Health System. In that capacity he has led Lee Memorial's emergence as a health care system with four acuter care hospitals, a rehabilitation hospital, a children's hospital, a skilled nursing facility, a home health agency, multiple physician practices and outpatient services.



Jim has been a national keynote speaker on many health care topics including the history of health care from a social, economic and political perspective. He has testified before the US Senate on competition and antitrust issues related to health care delivery and financing.

Jim offered us a comprehensive overview of health care both from a national and local perspective. Thanks **Jim** for a great presentation.

We also appreciated the opportunity of welcoming **Joshua De Tillio** who is the Chief Administrative Officer of the Gulf Coast Medical Center of the Lee Memorial Health System. Welcome **Joshua**. We were happy to have you join our meeting.

Dictionary Day



Last Saturday morning we met to label books in anticipation of Dictionary Day. Thanks to **Susan Schmitt, Mark Generales, Tom Briers, Camilla Campbell, Jim O'Leary, Bill Oehler, Ken King, Sandy Dennis, Bob Lorenz, and Roger Brunswick** for their participation. Sign up sheets are circulating for the actual book distribution on October 7. See **Roger** if you can help.

Demographic Update



Last week **President Jim** introduced **Bob Lombardo** who provided an interesting and current demographic report on our Club.

Here are some details—we currently have 90 members in our Club, 71.2% are working and 28.8% are retired. Our average age is 59.8 years. Our mean age is 62, our youngest member being 31 and our oldest 90. 85% of us are males and 15% are females. Thanks **Bob** for your work in this area.

Member Spotlight

Gerry Myers stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. A native Iowan, **Gerry** grew up in Iowa City and went on to attend the University of Iowa where he earned Bachelor degrees in Mathematics and Engineering. After graduating from Iowa, **Gerry** went on to work for the General Electric Company, his employer for the next 38 years. At General Electric **Gerry** held numerous leadership positions ultimately heading up the sales division of GE's components business through electrical distributors around the world. **Gerry's** responsibilities required that he travel internationally to sixty different countries. **Gerry** left the International Sales Division and managed sales of the Company's Appliance Components Division until his retirement in 1999.



Gerry is married to **Ruth**, his wife and best friend of fifty years this December. They are the proud parents of three sons.

Gerry enjoys a long Rotary history. While in Des Moines, he was invited to join the Northwest Des Moines Rotary Club. After retiring and moving to Naples, **Gerry** contacted his friend **Jack Blake** who introduced us to our Club.

It was our good fortune that **Gerry** joined us and promptly assumed a number of leadership positions. In addition to being our current Rotary Foundation Chair, **Gerry** is a Past Club President, also serving as past Board Chairman of our Club's Foundation. He also served District 6960 for three years before becoming an Area Governor.

Thank you **Gerry**. We are very proud that you are a member of our Club. Thanks for being a great Rotarian.