

The Foundation of The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs



Jim Dati is President of the Trustees of The Foundation of the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs. He says "The Foundation is the monetary manifestation of Service Above Self." It was incorporated 19 years ago as a 501 c(3) enterprise governed by a Board of Trustees.

The function of the Foundation is to handle grants that are made on behalf of the club. The bulk of the Foundation funds are transfers from the club. Presently, the Foundation budget is about \$80,000. It currently has about \$400,000 in assets. In the past year, 58% of grants were to local causes, 12% to regional, and 30% to international efforts.

The Trustees meet monthly, on the third Monday. The meeting is open to everyone.

Jim says, "If you have a cause that you think should be important to the club, bring it up to one of the trustees."

Last Week...12

President Steven Slachta dinged the meeting to order. Wayne Neller presented the invocation; Roger Brunswick led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Justin Washburn gave a rookie performance of the Four Way Test.

Song Leader Wayne Hemstead reminded us that today (Sept 21) was International Day of Peace and led the singing of Let There Be Peace on Earth.

Foundation Challenge Grant

Last week we learned of the Rebeca Olivera Memorial Scholarship effort started by her brother Rotaractor Paul Olivera. The club Foundation has offered to match donations to the scholarship up to \$2,000. This is a great cause to support. Please give your checks to Sandy or Wayne Hemstead.

Roger Brunswick is taking sign ups for Dictionary Distribution Day, Friday, October 7th. We are responsible for distributing to third graders at four local elementary schools. Steven pitched the 4th Annual Cirella's Golf and Dinner Event "Help for American Warriors". This will be a 9 hole scramble at Raptor Bay followed by sumptuous dinner with wine and awards ceremony at Cirella's. Monday, October 3rd. Golf and dinner for \$135, dinner only for \$65. Please contact Steven or Bob Lombardo if you are interested.

The Reverse Raffle continues



Adam Botana has volunteered to chair the annual Reverse Raffle. He announced it will be April 29th and will continue in the same format as previous years.

The Fine Menu?

Newly appointed Sergeant-at-arms Roger Brunswick took the microphone to announce that he had attended last week's board meeting and was told that he had a \$900 budget for fine income.

Roger then presented the **Rotary Club of Bonita Fine Menu**. This details the \$1 to \$5 offenses that may charged. For instance, \$1 for sitting a table with no member of the opposite sex; \$5 for short stature jokes.

There were some derisive and revolutionary com-

ments about the menu but the fining schedule was not in force yet.

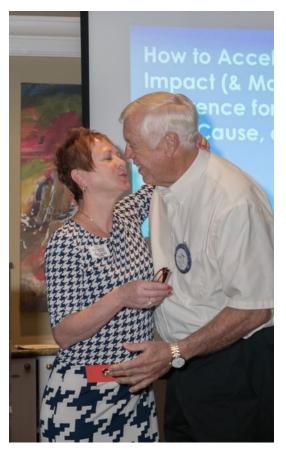
After the fine menu filibuster, Roger introduced guests and organized a shout-out for Ed Houck's birthday celebration.



Did you notice the window wasn't fogged up? First time in months.

Paul Harris Fellows

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.



Sara McCallum presented PHF recognition to Trish Leonard from Gary Price. The citation was for, "special appreciation in the way in which you live and in which your life exemplifies the humanitarian and educational objectives of the TRF."



Sara also presented recognitions to Gary Murphy +4 and Wayne Hemstead +3. She said, "I'm always humbled to give these recognitions. The club is so generous. Every time I look at the monthly report, it just amazes me how much money has been given to the TRF from this group and I'm real proud to be part of it."

Bring Your Superpowers to Work



Marjorie Rubacky introduced our speaker Darcy Eikenberg, PCC (Professional Certified Coach).

Darcy helps high performance professionals accelerate their leadership in ways that work for their organizations and for themselves.

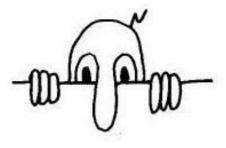
With a practical, real-life perspective, and with over 20 years' experience working with top companies such as The Coca-Cola Company, Microsoft, and Deloitte, Darcy's clients consistently grow to greater levels of clarity, confidence and control in their work and lives—all leading to better business results.

She walked us through two exercises with a partner. The first was "Discover your superpower." She noted that what makes you great is seldom on your resume.

The second exercise was "Master the Art of Bragging."

Her book, Bring Your Superpowers to Work: Your Guide to More Clarity, Confidence and Control, is available on Amazon and BN.com.





50/50 \$2,700±

2 Cards, One Ace, Joker

This Week Program

Mike Chionopoulos, Esq., Separation of Church and State

Is there a constitutional separation of church and state? There are those who say no because the words don't explicitly appear in the Constitution and are therefore not constitutionally guaranteed.

Taking the opposite position are those who point out that the Supreme Court is the ultimate interpreter of federal constitutional law and their rulings have confirmed that the Constitution created a separation of church and state.

Mr. Chionopoulos supports the former, believing that there is there is no historic or legal basis for separation of church and state.

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The 50/50 is \$2,700+

Birthdays

Bill Banfield Sept 29

Rotary Sings: Looking out my Backdoor

Just got home from Illinois locked the front door oh boy! Got to sit down take a rest on the porch Imagination sets in pretty soon I'm singin' Doo doo lookin' out my back door There's a giant doing cartwheels a statue wearin' high heels Look at all the happy creatures dancing on the lawn A dinosaur Victrola list'ning to Buck Owens Doo doo lookin' out my back door Tambourines and elephants are playing in the band Won't you take a ride on the flyin' spoon? Doo, doo doo Wond'rous apparition provided by magician Doo doo lookin' out my back door Forward troubles Illinois, lock the front door, oh boy! Look at all the happy creatures dancing on the lawn Bother me tomorrow, today, I'll buy no sorrow Doo doo lookin' out my back door

This Morning's Invocation

Eternal God, from various walks in life, from differ- ent family backgrounds and religious persuasions, we come together in unity of spirit and purpose.

In this autumn season we acknowledge the magnificence of creation and the magnitude of Your power in the natural world.

Help us to know the joy of serving rather than be- ing served, of loving rather than seeking to be loved. As we share in the commonality of our identity and purpose, help us to use that relationship for the welfare of our club and in service to others.

We offer thanks for the food prepared for us and for table fellowship as we share these moments together. Help us to be appreciative of each other as we work together for others. Amen.

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