



The Spoke

A Study in Partnership

How Vision and Collaboration Get Things Done



Last week we learned how vision, partnership and purpose creates sound public policy as Christine Ross and **Carl Schwing** offered a presentation on the Bonita Springs Estero Economic Development Council and the tangible benefits that initiative has provided.

Christine, President and CEO of the Bonita Springs Chamber of Commerce, offered perspective on the creation of the BSEEDC, its goal being that of attracting businesses that bring high-wage jobs and year-round work to our community. The Council, Christine noted, offers a “unique model” of collaboration between the business community, government and Chamber of Commerce which model has been featured by the Florida Redevelopment Association at their Conference.

Carl, Bonita Springs City Manager, followed Christine and noted that our community and region is being recognized for its professionalism and “business friendly atmosphere.” He noted that such atmosphere, encouraged and nurtured by our elected officials, assists in the economic development process. Carl observed how partnership and streamlined “process” encourages and facilitates economic development in Bonita Springs.

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LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Stephanie presided. **Sara McCallum** led the invocation; **Dave Shellenbarger** the Pledge of Allegiance and **Mike Liggins** the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** conducted and led "A Four Leafed Clover."

President Stephanie opened our meeting by presenting **Adam Botana** with his permanent blue badge. Congratulations Adam—we are glad you are a member of our Club.



Ray Faubion reminded us that he still has a few tickets left for the Bonita Springs Assistance Office fundraiser at the Fresh Market on May 22. We'll have the opportunity

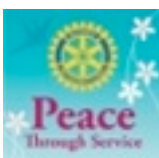
to enjoy great wine and gourmet food. Please see Ray if you would like to attend.

Mark McCaw briefed us on the start of our Summer Golf Tour which begins this Saturday. Throughout the summer (on Saturday mornings) we'll be visiting a variety of great clubs and courses for a fun and relaxing round of golf. If you haven't already done so, email Mark to get on his golf mailing list. The season kicks off this Saturday morning, May 4th at Vasari. There's still time if you would like to play. See or email **Greg Holtz** for more information.

The Club enjoyed a poignant moment as **Don Manley** introduced us to his Dad Larry Manley who was visiting with us last week. In addition, **Don** reminded us of the upcoming trip to El Salvador this summer. Approximately 30 people have signed up and there is always room for more. Please contact Don by email if you need more information.

OUR REVERSE RAFFLE--ONE MORE LOOK

Thanks again to **George Cohan** and his Committee for our Reverse Raffle. Here's one more look:



Rotary Club of Bonita Springs, chartered November 3, 1978, meets every Tuesday at Pelican's Nest. 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.

Around Our Club ...And Rotary Member Spotlight



Jasmin Mann stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. A native of Sarasota, Jasmin is a graduate of UCF, where she

earned a degree in Marketing and developed a passion for retail marketing. While most of Jasmin's family resides in Florida, her Mom resides in North Carolina where they can "enjoy" the winter. Jasmine met Club member **Howard Lemus** and they are engaged to be married. Jasmin works with Howard in his company providing her the opportunity to utilize her sales experience and help Procon meet its objectives. Jasmin spoke eloquently about her reasons for

joining Rotary and her appreciation for and commitment to community service. Thanks Jasmin. We are pleased you are a member of our Club.

Rotary Wins Edison Award

Rotary has received a silver Edison Award in recognition of the Future Vision Plan, the new grant model that enhances the scope, impact, and sustainability of humanitarian and educational projects funded by The Rotary Foundation.

RI President Sakuji Tanaka accepted the award during the annual Edison Awards gala held April 25 in Chicago, the city where Rotary was founded in 1905. The Future Vision Plan received top honors among funding models competing in the Lifestyle and Social Impact category. Nominee ballots were judged by a panel of more than 3,000, including members of seven associations that represent a wide range of industries and disciplines. *Source: Rotary International*

Bags on the Beach...A New Club Tradition

This past Saturday, our Club hosted its Second Annual "Bags on the Beach" Cornhole Tournament to benefit Gift of Life. The Tournament was fun, productive, and has started to garner regional interest. Thanks to **Jason Dolle** and his "seasoned" committee for making this event a reality.





"The Fifty-Fifty"
This Week's Big Prize--\$2906

An enthralled Jon McLeod drew the Jack of Spades to win \$500.

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

"Rotary Sings"



"Vive Le Rotary"

Let all good Rotarians stand up and sing.

Vive le Rotary!

With service and love let this song loudly ring.

Vive le Rotary!

Chorus:

Vive le, Vive le Rotary!

Vive le Vive le Rotary!

Truth is our right, Love is our might, Vive le Rotary!

An honest day's work is a duty we claim, Vive le Rotary!

And truth in our business will honor our name.

Vive le Rotary!

Chorus

A friend with a smile is the person we need.

Vive le Rotary!

Who truly believes in our Rotary creed.

Vive le Rotary!

Chorus

Be quick to give service, we must not be shy

Vive le Rotary!

Let's all join our voice and great a great cry.

Vive le Rotary!

Chorus

Our Upcoming Speakers

This Morning,
Club Assembly



May 7,
Tony

Ierardi, DeLorean Motor Company & Gulf Coast Motor Works

May 14, FGCU Rotaract Costa Rica Trip

May 21, Kathie Ebaugh, Lee County Planning Agency, Amendments to Comprehensive Plan

May 28, Mike Liggins, Bonita Springs Utilities



It's A Birthday Celebration!

Pete Frabutt, May 2

Gerry Myers, May 2

Mark McCaw, May 3

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?

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