



The Spoke

“A Friendship Friday”

The Berube Family Hosts A Memorable Rotary Social



One of the “signature” characteristics of our Club is its warmth. Within our “Rotary home” you are a visitor and guest once and only once as our Club’s spirit of friendship, laughter, and caring takes hold. Its bond and tradition is genuine—one that is passed along over time, member to new member.

So it was fitting when entire Berube household extended hospitality last Friday evening to over 40 Rotarians and guests. The photos Jay generously provided the Spoke documented an evening that was fun and festive.

We look forward to Lincoln’s upcoming October birthday party which will provide an opportunity for fellowship and support of the Bonita Assistance Office.

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LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Bobbi presided. **Sue Masters** delivered the invocation; **Tom Burgess** the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Rotaractor Jasmine Williams** the 4 Way Test. **Jon McLeod** led a rousing version of "America The Beautiful."

Two Member Moments

It could be argued that the most effective Rotary Clubs are those who continually sustain, increase, and nurture their membership base.



That is why it was so gratifying to enjoy two "member moments" last week. First, we applauded **Kae Moore** and **Juan**

Teodoro as they received their blue badges. Next, we welcomed **Morgan Eldridge** as the newest (and 100th) member of our Club. Congratulations Kae, Juan and Morgan.

Susan Schmitt launched this year's Poinsettia Sales Campaign. We've established a \$20,000 sales goal and your help is needed to achieve that result. Please let Susan know if you are aware of organizations or businesses that may be interested in bulk purchases. Order forms are available now--so check out and take advantage of the program's special pricing opportunities.

We also learned that Susan still has Rotary shirts available for purchase. Make an immediate and compelling fashion statement by adding some Rotary gear to your wardrobe. See Susan while great selections are still available.

Stephanie Kissinger reminded us about the upcoming "construction weekend" for our Community Garden, September 14 and 15. The start time has been moved to 7:00 am and a sign up sheet is circulating. On Saturday September 7 a 10 am drawing will take place at the YMCA assigning the Garden plots. You are most welcome to attend.

Mark McCaw briefed us on our Summer "Golf Tour" and made special mention of the Golf Tournament challenge hosted by the Estero Club September 28th. Mark your calendar, plan on attending and having a great time.

A Proud Rotary Moment...Sandy Scoggins placed **President Bobbi's** name in nomination for District Governor, a motion which we enthusiastically and unanimously approved.

Tom Burgess introduced us to two of our FGCU Rotaractors, Jasmine Williams this year's President and Misael Garcia. We look forward to



their presentation in September which Tom explained will offer an overview of the Club's activities and progress on the FGCU campus.

And finally...if you do not intend to be "gardening" September 14, please see **Roger Brunswick** to assist with Dictionary Day labeling.

RI Reports--A \$500,000 Emergency Grant For Somalia

Rotary has approved a \$500,000 Rapid Response grant to the World Health Organization (WHO) to address a recent polio outbreak in Somalia. The outbreak occurred in the Banadir region of Somalia, where a large number of children had not been vaccinated against polio due to inaccessibility.

As of 14 August, 110 cases of wild poliovirus have been reported in the Horn of Africa —100 cases in Somalia and 10 in Kenya. This is the first outbreak in Somalia since 2007 and in Kenya since 2011.

The Rotary grant will cover operational costs, including human resources, training, and transportation of health workers, aimed at

immunizing children under 10 in all accessible areas of Somalia in August.



To date, five vaccination campaigns have been held in Somalia, three in Kenya, two each in Ethiopia and Yemen, and one in Djibouti. Additional campaigns are planned through the end of the year.

Drawing on lessons learned from previous polio outbreaks, the first vaccination campaign was carried out within a week after the first case was confirmed.

Rotary's emergency funding for responses to polio outbreaks in Somalia and other countries has been critical to ensuring that immunization activities proceed without interruption, thereby minimizing the risk of the disease's further international spread.

Donna, who has traveled to 21 countries so far. An avid reader, she also reported that she never leaves home without three things: her debit card, her cell phone, and her lipstick! Donna concluded her remarks reflecting on the importance of the 4 Way Test and how she has incorporated it into her work day. Thanks Donna for your presentation—we're glad you are member of our Club.

Last Week's Program

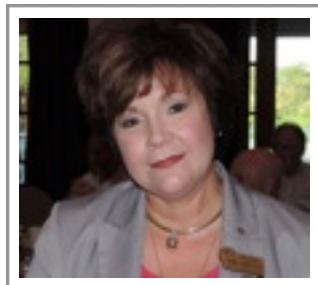
Last week we heard from Vicki Tracy, Director at the Arlington, a brand new community being built by Lutheran Life Communities in Naples. Vicki's presentation described the Arlington's housing options, services and amenities.



Member Spotlight

Donna Marcotte

stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. Born in Long Island, New York, Donna's family moved south to Tampa Bay area where she graduated from Tarpon Springs High School. After stints in Atlanta and Charlotte, she returned to Florida and this area 15 years ago. Currently Membership Director of Colony Golf and Country Club, she noted the need "to get it right" because in the country club business one often sees the same people everyday. Married for 21 years, she lives in Estero with her husband and three dogs. Travel is a passion for



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"The Fifty-Fifty" This Week's Big Prize

A delighted Donna Marcotte drew the Ace of Spades to win \$100.00.

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

"Rotary Sings"

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword:

His truth is marching on.
(Chorus)

Glory, glory, hallelujah!

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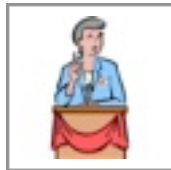
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It's A Birthday Celebration!

Tom Briers, September 3
Mark Generales, September 3

Our Upcoming Speakers This Morning,



Doug Macgregor
"How Arts in Healthcare Help Families Everyday"

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

Eternal God, whose existence we acknowledge, whose continued blessings we seek and on whom we depend in faith, we invoke your blessings upon us in this gathering today. We have come from a variety of places and tasks, to share in fellowship and in renewal of our commitment to the Rotarian ideals and standards to which we have pledged our selves and substance.

Accept now our gratitude for food, for table fellowship, and for all blessings from your beneficent hand. Amen.

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