



# The Spoke

## “The Art of Helping”

*Doug MacGregor Offers An Inspirational Message*



Last week we were pleased to visit with Doug MacGregor. For over twenty-nine years Doug created five editorial cartoons a week, his work being recognized and acclaimed on regional and national levels. (An eight time “Best of Gannett” winner, one of Doug’s cartoons was selected for the cover of the annual book, *Best Editorial Cartoons of the Year*).

A graduate of Syracuse University, Doug began his cartooning career drawing sports cartoons for the Daily Orange student newspaper. He joined the News Press’ graphics department in 1988 and the rest is history. In addition to his art and syndication, Doug has published four collections of his work.

These days Doug serves as the Arts in Healthcare Coordinator for the Lee Memorial Health System. His presentation was fascinating and interactive, underscoring how Arts in Healthcare provides “person-centered care.” Thanks Doug for a great presentation and your creativity, generosity, and talent. Visit us again soon.

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**LAST WEEK'S MEETING**

**President Bobbi** presided. **Nancy Ross** delivered the invocation; **Martha Erickson** the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Bill Banfield** the 4 Way Test. **Jon McLeod** led a rousing version of "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

**Dictionary Day Approaches**

Among the most inspirational activities a Rotarian can participate in is

Dictionary Day.

It is a District-wide celebration of what it means to be Rotarian.

However, Dictionary Day requires preparation and that means labeling.

**Roger Brunswick** needs help with this year's dictionary labeling which will take place

September 14. As the picture from the Spoke archives

suggests, labeling is fun. So see Roger and sign up.

**Jon McLeod** "kicked off" this year's Alternative Fundraising Campaign. Each and every week you will have an opportunity to impress your fellow Rotarians with your amazing football prognostication abilities. So play, root (Go Browns) and support Relay for Life.

**Susan Schmitt** is ready, willing, and anxious to answer your questions regarding 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.

**Scott Anderson** briefed us on upcoming activities in support of our Christmas Tree sale, one of our Club's signature fundraising initiatives. Your support and participation will be needed (and appreciated) in a variety of areas. The Christmas Tree Committee always

welcomes new members so if you would like to help, please see Scott.

**Time to Check Your Calendars**

**President Bobbi** urged us to "check our calendars," the calendar on our Club website that is, as it will remind one and all of the Club Assembly on November 12. Club Assemblies this year will be

designed and scheduled to coincide with Club events or fundraisers, allowing us the opportunity to focus our attention, energy, and efforts insuring each event is fun, productive--and a success. As such, the November 12 Assembly will highlight our Fall/Holiday projects and activities. Please plan on attending and participating.

**And finally...**several reminders.

"Construction weekend" for our Community Garden, is fast approaching--September 14 and 15. And don't forget--the start time has been moved to 7:00 am. It's also time to join or host a foursome and participate in the Golf Tournament Challenge hosted by the Estero Club September 28th. Mark your calendars, have fun and attend both events.



## The Paul Harris Society--Making Positive Change Possible

Our meetings take on a special and meaningful hue each time our agenda includes a Paul Harris presentation. Named after Rotary's founder, the Paul Harris Society recognizes those who annually contribute \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Rotary Foundation grant. By joining the Paul Harris Society, members make a lasting difference in communities around the world.

Rotarian Kevin D. Hilgers of the Rotary Club of Grande Prairie, Alberta Canada offered these remarks and reflections during a Paul Harris presentation:

**“Giving any sum of money to the Rotary Foundation makes you part of the eradication of polio, a partner in creating Peace, a person who supports clean water and sanitation, where water is worth more than gold. It is measured in lives. It makes you someone who believes that all babies, children and moms should have good**

**medical resources, micro-credit and equal rights. You are a person that is fighting AIDS, polio, malaria and other diseases and doing so much more than I could ever tell you in these few short minutes.”**

So it was a special moment when **Gerry Myers** presented **Ed Houck** with his Paul Harris pin. Congratulations Ed. Thanks to you and to all of our Club's Paul Harris Society members for demonstrating a commitment to the mission and journey that is Rotary.



Our Club makes Paul Harris membership

and giving affordable and attainable as it will match dollar for dollar your \$500 Paul Harris contribution. Sustaining members can also make Paul Harris contributions through their quarterly dues payments. (It is even possible to recognize someone else as a Paul Harris Fellow). If you have not already done so, consider becoming a Paul Harris Fellow. **Gerry Myers** will be pleased to answer your questions regarding this very special way to affirm all things Rotarian.



**Rotary Club of Bonita Springs**, chartered November 3, 1978, meets every Tuesday at Pelican's Nest Club. The Club may be contacted through its mailing address P.O. Box 474, Bonita Springs Florida 34133, or its websites [www.bonitaspringsrotary.org](http://www.bonitaspringsrotary.org). and [www.facebook.com/myrotary](http://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](mailto:riverchip12-spoke@yahoo.com)





**"The Fifty-Fifty"  
This Week's Big Prize-~~\$~~834.50**

A delighted Roger Brunswick drew the King of Hearts to win ~~\$~~5.00.  
As always,,we're all winners as the "fifty-fifty" helps keep our Club strong and ready to serve.

***"Rotary Sings"  
"Bye Bye Blackbird"***

Pack up all my cares and  
woes,  
Here I go, singing low,  
Bye, bye, blackbird.  
Where somebody waits  
for me,  
Sugar is sweet, so is she,  
Bye, bye, blackbird.

No one here can love and  
understand me,  
Oh, what hard luck stories  
they all hand me.

Make my bed and light  
the light,  
I'll arrive late tonight,  
Blackbird, bye, bye.



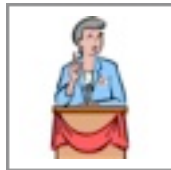
***It's A Birthday  
Celebration!***

***None to Report***

**Our  
Upcoming  
Speakers**

**This Morning,**

William Glass,  
President  
"G2  
Architecture  
and Catalyst  
Energy"



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**

Good and gracious God, we bow humbly before You in acknowledgement of your goodness to us in so many ways. We are awed by the mystery of your Being, by all that is supernatural and spiritual. But we are impressed, as well, by your relevant presence revealed to us in the course of daily life. When we are tempted to rely on our own knowledge, ability, and wisdom, prod us to trust the sufficiency of your grace and credibility of your promises.

We thank You for the food prepared for us, for the fellowship we anticipate around these tables, and the for the awareness of our continual blessings. Amen.

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