



The Spoke

Holtz, Rotarian of the Year



At the Installation Dinner, Sandy Scoggins announced **Greg Holtz** as the Rotarian of the Year. Greg will be Club Secretary in 2014-15, and has been editor of The Spoke since January, 2008. He became a club director in 2010 and is now serving his second stint as a director.

Greg is a past President of the Garfield Heights, Ohio Rotary Club. He was sponsored in membership by **Dick Frederickson** in 2007.

Greg is Senior Vice President and Managing Director, The Private Client Reserve at U.S. Bank and is Adjunct Professor at Ave Maria

School of Law teaching Wills, Trusts, and Estates We are fortunate that Greg is willing to devote his talents to our club.

McLeod, Service Above Self Award



We became acquainted with **Jon McLeod** when he transferred from the Noon Club and began an "alternative fund raising program" for Gift of Life and Relay for Life. He was not content with this level of activity so he embraced a new project to raise some "real money" for the Gift of Life, a bicycle ride from Boston to Key West, 1900 miles in 15 days. He is gathering sponsors locally, from Rotary clubs along the route, and around the country.

Jon's employer, the Naples Daily News, is actively supporting his effort. The Hyatt Hotels has offered lodging in every city they can on the route. BOS2KW has already received pledges of more than \$30,000. Jon's progress in training and fund-raising can be followed at this web site, bos2kw.com. He has clearly exhibited "Service Above Self".

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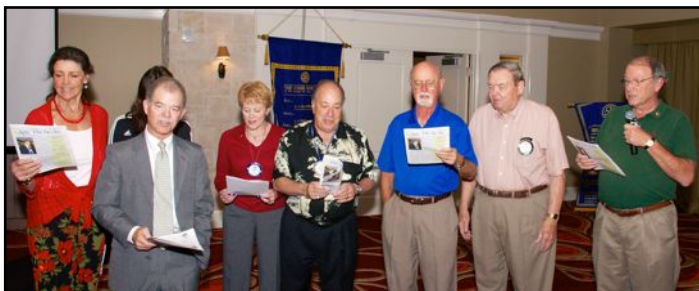
Nancy Ross, President; John Mathes, Secretary; Tom Burgess, Treasurer; Fred Partin, Ray Faubion, Stephanie Kissinger, Guy Quinn, Trustees

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President **Bobbi Bird** presided. She noted that this was the 25th anniversary of the invention of the Internet (WWW) by **Sir Timothy John "Tim" Berners-Lee**, a British computer scientist. He made a proposal for an information management system in March 1989 and he implemented the first successful communication between a HTTP client and server via the Internet sometime around mid November. His parents had worked on the first commercially-built computer, the Ferranti Mark I.

The Invocation was presented by **Maurice Sullivan**(rr), guest speaker Commissioner **Larry Kiker** led the Pledge of Allegiance, and our newest member **Carol Johnson** recited the 4-Way Test.

Song master **Ron Anderson** selected and led the "Reluctant Rotary Chorale" in singing "*When Irish Eyes are Smiling*."



Bobbi announced that **Ron Anderson** has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Rotary Gift of Life Florida, Inc. **Jim Horein** reported that **Frank Kech**(rr) had been in town, sends greetings to all, and will be back later this year. **Sue Masters** said that **Joette Deane**(rr) has passed away. A March 22nd memorial service is planned.

Clara Ann Graham reported that the March Shots for Tots had serviced 12 families with 21 shots.

Jon McLeod said he had become engaged last Wednesday. Over the weekend he took a dive off his bicycle during a training ride for bos2kw. The bike's OK; his body is healing.

Juan Teodoro reminded us of the Social and kick off of the membership drive at the Hyatt on March 27th.

Jack Powers introduced the Staff and Students of the Month from Estero High School. He introduced **Kim Lindeberg**, Staff of the Month; **Gary White**, Teacher of the Month; **Patrick Shipman**, Service Student of the Month; and **Christina Glass**, Academic Student of the Month.

LAST WEEK'S SPEAKER



Our Speaker was District 3 County Commissioner, **Larry Kiker**, former Mayor of Fort Myers Beach. He described the proposed changes in Flood Insurance rates as an "economic tsunami" for our area. The U.S. Senate had voted to delay implementation of the new rates, but the House of Representatives had not.

Larry and a delegation including 4 mayors went to Washington along with three other Florida groups. They spent 4 days and managed to meet with almost 400 Representatives trying to get the Reps and their aides to understand the impact of the proposed rules.

Larry cited his own case where his annual premium was increased from \$1,800 to \$24,600 as a means of demonstrating the effect of the new rules. He believes the delegation was able to convince enough Representatives to vote for a delay in implementation.

Paul Harris Fellows



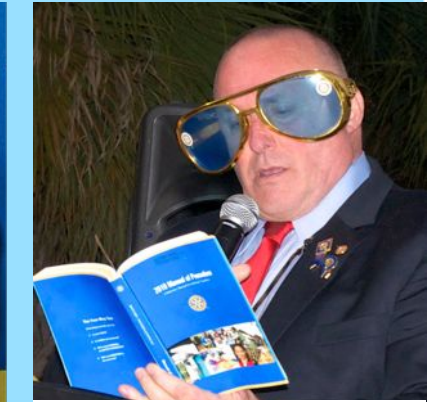
Scott and Gerry Angevine



Ron Anderson with Barbara Pagel and former Spoke Editor Bob Pagel.



Beer of the Year



PDG Steve Schlueter officiated using the "2010 Rotary Manual of Procedure".



Rotary Club of Bonita Springs, chartered November 3, 1978, meets every Wednesday at Bonita Bay Club. The Club may be contacted through its mailing address P.O. Box 474, Bonita Springs Florida 34133 or its website www.bonitaspringsrotary.org. **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. **Scott Gerrish** issue editor.



**The 50/50 Now
\$2,477**

**Last Week:
a Surprised
Carl Nickel**

**picked the 2♥
to win \$5.**

**Rotary Sings
*I've Been Working on the
Railroad***

I've been workin' on the railroad
All the live-long day.
I've been workin' on the railroad
Just to pass the time away.

Rise up so early in the morn.
Can't you hear the captain shouting,
Dinah, blow your horn!

Dinah, won't you blow,
Dinah, won't you blow,
Dinah, won't you blow your horn!
Dinah, won't you blow,
Dinah, won't you blow,
Dinah, won't you blow your horn!

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah,
Someone's in the kitchen I know,
Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah,
Strummin' on the old banjo.

Fee-fi-fiddle-dee-i-o,
Fee-fi-fiddle-dee-i-o,
Fee-fi-fiddle-dee-i-o,
Strummin' on the old banjo.



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

Bob Lorenz Mar 19th

**Upcoming Speakers
Today:**

**Pam Morton-Jones,
Friends of Lover's Key**

Next Week:

Tommy Stroud

Chief of Operations,
South Florida Water
District

**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?

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This Morning's Invocation

Almighty God, as we gather for yet another weekly opportunity to renew our fellowship and reaffirm our principles and purpose as Rotarians, we are grateful for the gift of repetition, for returning to a familiar place, conversing again with friends and colleagues we have greeted numerous times before.

With hope represented in Spring, help us to be re-energized and recommitted to visions of service not yet rendered, goals not yet attained, and fires of faith not yet kindled.

Hear our prayer of thanksgiving for food and fellowship, by which we are energized and strengthened for recurring opportunities to serve others. Amen.