



The Spoke



Rotary Regular Day

Joette Deane(rr)

February 21, 1950 - January 2, 2014



Joette Deane passed away on the second of January peacefully in her home after a long battle with cancer. She is survived by husband Barry, sons Arran (Theresa) and Devin (Alissa) grandchildren Isabella, Ella and Liam, sisters Beverly and Sheila. Joette was the Director of Community Services and a very active member of Rotary both in Oswego and Bonita Springs Florida.

Joette was passionate about bringing clean water to under developed countries. Lover of travel, Paris held a special place in her heart, but at the drop of a hat she was ready to go most anywhere fun. She brought a magical inner spirit to the grandchildren with Christmas magic, fairy dust, and magical secret gardens. She never passed a consignment shop that didn't make her car veer sideways. She was a vibrant women and advocated for others to be likewise empowered. She will be forever in our hearts. Donations to her honor can be made to Clean Water for the World.



LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President **Bobbi Bird** presided. She welcomed **Claudie Feeney** who is returning from a Leave of Absence. **Drew Montez-Clark** presented the invocation, **Kenny King** led the Pledge of Allegiance, and **Don Thompson** recited the Four-Way Test. **Ron Anderson** led singing of *I've Been Working on the Railroad*.

Maurice Sullivan(rr) reported that her "up North" committee had collected 14,000+ books for an inner city Chicago book drive.

Congratulations to **John Mathes** and **Frank Liles** who were re-elected directors of Bonita Springs Utility.

Len Eckert expressed appreciation for the help and support of the Bonita Blues Festival by Rotarians. The Festival proceeds benefit Music for Minors, Golisano Children's Hospital, and the Bonita Assistance Office.

Scott Angevine thanked us for the Lifetime Honorary Membership he was awarded at the Installation Dinner. **Bob Lorenz'** wife says that he celebrates his birthday all year long. We sang Happy Birthday to him "with gusto and harmony".

Bobbi reminded us of the upcoming District Assembly to be held from 9 am to noon, April 5 in Port Charlotte. Among the breakouts will be a session for Club certification for Grants. Each club must be certified each year to qualify for grants. Register through the email you received or contact **Jane Goble**.

Sara McCallum reminded us of the **Blue Bucket** at the door for "your spare change". Since October, we have donated more than \$500. The donations go to Alzheimer's Disease research.

Sandy Scoggins reported we have many global grants in preparation with bos2kw and partnerships with clubs along the route. We are working with Gift of Life to support a \$1 million project in El Salvador. The project will

include an operating suite and 5 ICU beds for pediatric cardiac surgery.

This is the biggest grant we have done. Bobbi will take the lead on writing the grant. Any money donated by the club will be matched by the district up to \$15,000; beyond that by 50% by Rotary International.

LAST WEEK'S SPEAKER

Our speaker was **Pamela Jones-Morton**, Ph.D. who is the Capital Campaign Committee Chair of The Friends of Lovers Key. FOLKS is a non-profit Citizen Support Organization (CSO) established to protect, preserve and support Lovers Key State Park. FOLKS is made up of a dedicated board of directors and park volunteers and people who work together with LK State Park Service staff to improve all aspects of the park through volunteer service and financial support.

Some of the projects FOLKS supports include maintenance of the Park's native plant nursery, shorebird nesting protection, park staff fire training, the purchase of an ice machine and a new blower for the bridges. A portion of the membership fees also go to savings for the Lovers Key Visitor Center.

FOLKS has made its primary focus the development and eventual construction of a visitor center for the park. The purpose of the visitor center will be to help all visitors to the park learn about and appreciate the marvelous gem we have here at Lovers Key State Park. The new center will include programming space, exhibits and displays, office space and a new gift shop.

FOLKS is currently in Phase I of the development of the new Visitor Center. They have beautiful architectural renderings completed by Rich Donnley, that are being used as a beginning image for the LKSP Visitor Center and also have set a tentative site for the center.

The group is sponsoring "An Evening of Natural Wonders" Cocktail Party, April 4th, 6-8 pm at the Everglades Wonder Gardens. See www.friendsofloversonkey.org for details.

Organizations We Support

Bobbi's list

Bonita Assistance Office
 Bonita Springs Community Garden
 Boys and Girls Club
 Dictionary Day
 Friends of the Salvation Army, Bonita and Estero
 Gift of Life
 Gulf Coast Literacy Council
 Habitat for Humanity
 Harry Chapin Food Bank
 I Like Me Book Program, Bonita Elementary
 Interact Scholarships
 Kids Against Hunger
 Literacy Volunteers of Colier County
 Meals of Hope
 Movies in the Park
 New Horizons
 Odyssey of the Mind Middle School Program
 Relay for Life
 Rotaract Scholarships
 Rotary Camp Florida
 Rotary International Polio Plus
 Shots for Tots
 Wheelchair Foundation
 Wounded Warrior Program
 YMCA of Bonita Springs

Upcoming Events

Leadership Bonita Class of 2014 Graduation, Friday, March 21st. Contact the Chamber if you want to attend.

Chow Down for Charity - Estero Rotary Fun Fest. Saturday, March 22nd, noon to 8:30 pm. Estero Community Park. Food, music, art, and family fun.

Movies in the Park. Saturday, March 22nd 6:30 pm, Riverside Park. Movie is *Despicable Me II*. Our club is co-sponsor.

Rotary Social. Thursday, March 27th, 6 - 8 pm. Hyatt. Bring a friend. Please RSVP to Juan Teodoro, teodorojuan@hotmail.com

Celebrate Bonita. Saturday, March 29th. Riverside Park.

FOLK "An Evening of Natural Wonders" Cocktail Party. Friday, April 4th, Everglades Wonder Garden. \$50/person. Contact Mark Generales for more details.

Relay for Life. Saturday, April 26th, 4 pm until Sunday, April 27th, 7 am.

District Conference. Thursday, May 1st thru Monday May 5th. Grand Bahama Island. Contact Jane Goble. janegoble123@gmail.com

Reverse Raffle. Saturday, May 3rd. Remember you don't have to be present to win.

Notes

José Lopez' current address is:
 1530 Locust St. Apt 15C
 Philadelphia, PA 19102

Kathy Fredrickson is now at Manor Care Rehab Center in Ft. Myers.. She has a nice big private room. She's not in pain. Has therapy twice a day. She'll be here about 20 days.

Over \$15,000 in Prizes	18TH ANNUAL ROTARY CLUB REVERSE RAFFLE	Over \$15,000 in Prizes
DINNER, OPEN BAR, ENTERTAINMENT & DANCING		
SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2014 ~ 6:00 P.M. TIL ?		
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH ~ KINEY HALL		
SUGGESTED MIN. DONATION: \$100. ⁰⁰		RSVP ATTENDANCE



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
\$2,589
Last Week:
Frequent Winner
Carl Nickel
waits to draw
the 10 ♠

Rotary Sings
Yellow Submarine

In the town where I was born
Lived a man who sailed to sea
And he told us of his life
In the land of submarines

So we sailed up to the sun
Till we found the sea of green
And we lived beneath the waves
In our yellow submarine

We all live in a yellow submarine
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine
We all live in a yellow submarine
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine

And our friends are all on board
Many more of them live next door
And the band begins to play

We all live in a yellow submarine
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine
We all live in a yellow submarine
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine



*It's A Birthday
Celebration!*

Sara McCallum March 24

Upcoming Speakers

Today: **Tommy Strowd**,
Chief Operations Officer,
South Florida Water
Management District

Next Week: **Ross
Dickerman**, Executive
Director, The Terraces

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

Sovereign God, having come to these tables to add yet another experience of Rotary fellowship to the adventure of life, we give thanks for the opportunity to be adventurers in our respective fields of endeavor.

Give us the courage and will to employ the Four-Way Test in decision-making and in relationships.

Help us to know the difference between selfish exploitation of human and physical resources, and the exploration of ways to be good stewards of all things.

We thank you for food to sustain us, fellowship to enrich us, and ideas to inspire us. Be present with us a silent guest at our tables, and give us your blessings. Amen.