



The Spoke

Interact Estero High School

Steve McIntosh introduced the officers of the Estero High School Interact Club. The club was founded in 1998 and now is the largest club on EHS campus with 80 members. The club meets every other Thursday.

Club members give approximately 700 service hours annually. The club has an impressive list of projects completed or planned for this school year. Among them are Taste of Bonita, Ronald McDonald House, Care packages for overseas soldiers, "I Like Me" book readings, and Dictionary Day Distribution.

EHS Teacher of the Year **Jayne Klinker**, is the Interact Sponsor and, along with "Dr. Steve", provides guidance for the club.

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2014-2015 Club Officers

President	Sandra Hemstead
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Sergeant-at-Arms	George M. Cohan III
Assoc. Sgt.-at-Arms	William Banfield

Board of Directors



LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President **Sandy Hemstead** presided. **Scott Anderson** read the Invocation; **Scott Vail** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and the Estero High School Interact Club recited the Four-Way Test. **Ron Anderson** led the singing of "America".

Sandy reported that **Nancy Krchniak**, wife of Steve, had passed away on Feb 12th. Please see the on-line obituary if you wish to make a memorial gift.

The club donated \$180 in the 4th quarter for CART. The blue buckets are on the tables once again. Please donate your loose change and bills.



Gary Price stepped forward as sponsor for new member **Donna Flammang**. Her classification is *Attorney—Business & Estate Planning*. Donna is a partner at Brennan, Manna & Diamond Law Firm.

Sandy reported thank you notes from the Wounded Warrior Project, for the Paddling With A Purpose effort, and from the YMCA.

The Board has selected **Jon McCleod** to be Club Secretary 2015-2016. He would then become President-Elect 2016-2017 and then President in 2017-18.

Next President **Tom Briers** has a PETS project and needs to collect reading books for children ages 4-12.

Area Governor **Rick Perry** is sponsoring an Area 3 social at the Momentum Brewhouse, Thursday, **February 26th** 6-8 pm. \$10 per person for 3 tastings and 1 pint of craft brew. Pizza and snacks provided by the Area 3 clubs. You may bring your own drink if you don't want beer.

The **Keep Bonita Beautiful** day will be Saturday, **February 28th**. Contact **Bobbi Bird** for details.

Wendy Arsenault announced the annual Bark in the Park will be held Saturday, **February 28th** 10 am to 2pm. There will be demonstrations, vendors, and a silent auction. Proceeds will go to PAWS.

The **March 4th** meeting will be conducted by the **Rotary Regulars**.

The 9th Annual **Bonita Blues Festival** will be held Friday and Saturday, **March 6 -7** at Riverside Park. See Len Eckert for tickets.

The 19th annual **Reverse Raffle** will be held Saturday, **March 14th**.

The annual **CREW** concert and Eco Auction will be Saturday, **March 21st** at Riverside Park. The club will be selling beer at the event.

Stephanie goes over the edge

Stephanie Kissinger reported on her “rope trick”, rappelling from the roof of Naples Grande Beach Resort. When her turn came, she looked over the edge, freaked out, had a panic attack, and said “I can’t do it”, so they pried her hands loose and put over the edge for a 170 foot drop. The event was to benefit Junior Achievement.

George Cohan, chairman of the Reverse Raffle, reported 40 unsold tickets. He says it’s time to focus on selling tickets.

As Sergeant-at-Arms, George introduced first time guests then introduced himself as a birthday person. When his wife asked what he wanted

for his birthday, he answered, “cook me breakfast, then go to the movies, then who knows... So take my man-card, I went to 50

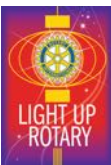


Shades of Awful. It’s 2 hours I can never get back. I just don’t get it.”

George said, “I’m 68 years old. A lot of people bet against it but here I am.” He had his birthday greeting sung by his one night per week drinking group, **Senior Men Amassing Critical Knowledge (SMACK)**.



George being serenaded by his buddies from SMACK.



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.

Last Week: An impassive Jon McCleod drew 4♠ to win \$5



The 50/50 Now
\$2,831

Rotary Sings: Michael Row The Boat Ashore

Michael row the boat ashore, Hallelujah
Michael row the boat ashore, Hallelujah
Sister help to trim the sails, Hallelujah
Sister help to trim the sails, Hallelujah
Brother lend a helping hand, Hallelujah
Brother lend a helping hand, Hallelujah
Michael row the boat ashore, Hallelujah
Michael row the boat ashore, Hallelujah

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?

This Week:

Cathleen Morgan
Chairman Lee County
School Board

Birthdays

Sue Masters Feb 22
Frank Liles Feb 22
Jack Powers Feb 25
Steve McIntosh Feb 25

This Morning's Invocation

O God, we come humbly into your presence by this avenue of prayer, expressing both our gratitude for gifts received, and our yearnings to be used as gifts to others. To that end, grant us visions of service yet unrendered, an awareness of goals yet unattained and hopes yet unrealized. Give us zeal and power to bring to reality the good and worthy things waiting to be done, and confirm our efforts by your assistance without which we labor in vain!

Strengthen us now by food prepared and enjoyed. Enlighten us through productive conversations, and go with us as we return to waiting opportunities to make the day better for others. Amen.

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