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Last Meeting

President Jim presided. **Mark Generales** delivered the invocation. **Carl Schwing** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Geri Spaeth** led the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** conducted a rousing rendition of *Home on the Range*.

"Bags on the Beach"

Jason Dolle offered a report and update on our "Bags on the Beach" fundraiser which will be held April 28 at the Holiday Inn Fort Myers Beach. Encourage your family and friends to signup for our cornhole tournament at www.CharityCornhole.org. Jason reported that we have been garnering great visibility as we advertise this event—but your help is needed. Please consider sponsoring or volunteering for this fun tournament. See Jason for additional information and mark April 28th on your calendars. Thanks Jason for your hard work.



Jess Berube reported on the recent District Cruise where participants delivered toys and supplies to a local school. In commemoration of their visit, Jess presented President Jim with a banner from the Cozumel Club.

Announcements...President Jim announced that we will not meet Wednesday May 2 but instead convene Tuesday evening May 1 at Spring Run at 5:30 pm along with the Noon and Estero Club. The meeting will be dedicated to the Wheelchair Foundation and we will have an opportunity to hear from its leadership. Congratulations also go out to Bob Lombardo and his Committee as January's Mini Golf Tournament netted \$2,700 for Gift of Life. Thanks for your devotion and hard work.

Last Week's Program Ken Modzelewski The "New" Bonita YMCA



Ken Modzelewski, President and CEO of the South County Family YMCA visited last week to brief us on the reopening of the Bonita Y (hopefully on or about May 21) made possible by the transfer of its ownership to the South County organization.

Ken spoke of "community engagement" as one component which made the reopening of the Y possible.. He acknowledged the efforts and commitment of various local constituencies and community leaders, many of whom are members of our Club, who brought the "YMCA back to life."

The "new" Y will strive to be an active member of the community. Ken spoke of the need and imperative for a broad based partnership with a variety of non-profit organizations and offered "YMCA Reads" and a potential charter school as examples of this new spirit of community commitment. Thanks for a great presentation.

"Paddling for a Purpose"

If you haven't already done so, check out the "Paddling for a Purpose" website (www.paddlingforapurpose.org). The site is your "information headquarters" detailing Hector Manley's courageous and inspirational journey down the Mississippi River to raise money and awareness for both the Wounded Warriors and The Wheelchair Foundation. The site not only offers information on how to donate but contains a blog that will keep us posted on Hector's progress. Thanks Hector for indeed proving that "Anything is possible!"

From RI International

Trustees Reaffirm Priority of Polio Eradication

At their March meeting, The Rotary Foundation Trustees reaffirmed that polio eradication is the urgent priority of the Foundation, and that continued support for PolioPlus is essential.

The Trustees also agreed to continue the match provided to Rotary districts for contributions to



PolioPlus: US\$0.50 from the Foundation's World Fund for every \$1 allocated from the District Designated Fund. The World Fund match, an incentive for districts to contribute

DDF until polio eradication is certified, will be applied on a first-come, first-served basis and capped at \$3.5 million annually for the next five fiscal years.

The trustee decisions underscore Rotary's commitment to achieving a polio-free world, shared by its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative – the World Health Organization, UNICEF, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Recently, Rotary also received a US\$1 million contribution for polio eradication that came about because of its ongoing partner-ship with the Gates Foundation.

Member Spotlight

Guy Quinn stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. Growing up in South Georgia, Guy attended Clayton State College in Morrow and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Banking and Finance at the University of Georgia. His two adult daughters and four grandchildren currently live in the Atlanta area.

Reflecting a bit on his early years, Guy recalled

that his Dad as Chief of Police and then Sheriff fostered a very strong sense of discipline. So it was interesting and fun to learn about the summer job he undertook at the age of 16. This employment introduced Guy to a number of new skills and



"disciplines." Upon learning of Guy's new talents, his Dad arranged a night's lodging for him in the City Jail.

Guy is currently President and owner of the Southwest Florida Wealth Group, providing investment advice to individuals and institutions. Guy's wife Leta is a CPA in Lexington, Kentucky and they maintain homes there and in Bonita Springs.

Guy is an active and committed Rotarian. A member of our Club since 2002, Guy has enthusiastically assumed various leadership positions in our Club, including Board member, Club Treasurer and current Foundation Trustee. He is a Paul Harris Fellow. Guy is also deeply engaged in our community. He is a graduate of Leadership Bonita and a member of the Bonita Springs Chamber of Commerce. Thanks Guy for being a great Rotarian.

Ethics in Leadership

Mark Generales is chairing our Ethics in Leadership Committee. The Committee is currently accepting nominee applications for this award which will be presented at our Installation Banquet on June 16. If you would like to nominate or need additional information, please see Mark.

\$\$\$50/50\$\$\$ This Weeks Big Prize—\$1665



An exuberant **Len Eckert** drew Queen of Hearts to win \$5.00.

As always...the real winner is our Foundation which gets one half of the prize purse.



None To Report

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Let's Sing, Rotarians!

I'm Looking Over A Four Leaf Clover

I'm looking over a four leaf clover That I overlooked before. One leaf is sunshine, the second is rain, Third is the roses that grow

in the lane,

No need explaining, the one remaining Is somebody I adore. I'm looking over a four leaf clover That I overlooked before.

Rotary Make-Up Opportunities

Monday Fort Myers South/Holiday Inn Bell Tower (Noon) Tuesday Estero Spring Run 11:45 am Wednesday Naples Gulf Shore 730 am

Naples Beach Hotel 12:15pm Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club Naples North Country Club of

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Bonita Springs-Spanish Wells CC

Friday Naples-Pelican Bay Club at Pelican Bay 7:15 am

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