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The Spoke

The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs
Chartered November 3, 1978



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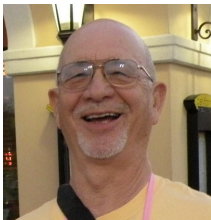


Last Meeting

President Jim presided. **Gerry Myers** delivered the invocation. **Steve McIntosh** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Jamie Weaver** led the 4 Way Test. **Jim Dati** conducted a rousing rendition of *God Bless America*.

Jim Dati reminded us that nominations are still being accepted for a position on our Club's Foundation Board. The election will be held on June 13th. If you are interested in additional information, please see **Jim Dati**, **John Spear**, or **Don Thomson**. **President Jim** also updated on some of the Foundation's recent grant making activities in support of the Salvation Army's Bonita Springs book bag program, the renovation of the YMCA pool, Polio Plus and Meals of Hope.

President Jim commented on our Club survey which was recently distributed electronically. Only about 30% of our membership has responded. If you have not already done so, please spend a few minutes to participate and respond. Our Board will be considering those results at its June 9th retreat.



Thanks Scott...on behalf of the entire Spoke Nation, its editorial board, and loyal readers worldwide, a big round of thanks to Editor Emeritus **Scott Gerrish** (rr) for his efforts in publishing the Spoke the past few months. Enjoy a safe and restful summer—see you in the Fall.

Finally....if you have not already done so, make plans now to attend our June 16 installation "luau."

Last Week's Program

Joe Cox

"Golisano Children's Museum of Naples"



Last week we heard from Joe Cox, Executive Director of the Golisano Children's Museum of Naples. Joe had visited us during the Museum's construction phase so it was fun, interesting, and

inspirational to learn details of the Museum's "grand opening." During its first two months of operations, the Museum welcomed over 53,000 visitors. The fact that 2,600 family memberships were sold during this time underscores the Museum's community impact as it strives to help children "Play, Learn, and Dream."

The Museum includes ten permanent and temporary exhibit galleries, a Family Resource Library, classrooms, birthday party room, meeting rooms, Garden Cafe and Museum Store as well as space for staff, volunteers and ongoing operations. Joe's presentation helped us understand how play allows children to develop the social skills needed to cooperate with others, sharpen their senses as a means for exploration, and develop problem solving techniques. Thanks for a great presentation Joe—we look forward to seeing again soon.

“Bags on the Beach”



Trianon Member Social



Leadership Gift To Fight Polio

Rajashree Birla, of the Aditya Birla Group, has committed an additional US\$1 million to The Rotary Foundation for polio eradication efforts. Birla, of Mumbai, announced the donation on 8 May at the Arch C. Klumph Society dinner during the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand. Birla’s contributions to the Foundation’s campaign to eradicate polio, including this commitment, total more than \$6.2 million.



Birla’s late husband, Aditya, made the Aditya Birla Group into a Fortune 500 company and one of the largest in India. Today, her son, Kumar Mangalam, is chairman of the board, and she serves as a director.

“An honorary member of the Rotary clubs of Bombay and Mulund, Birla also stressed the need for business accountability and community service. Her Giving to Living campaign encourages corporations to “embed giving into their DNA.” “When a corporation pushes its energies and helps resolve social sector issues through its engagement, it indirectly stimulates its own business development,” Birla said.

“There is much to be gained when business leaders take giving to heart, and set the mandate of making a difference by caring for people in their community.”

\$\$\$\$50/50\$\$\$
 This Weeks Big Prize—\$1,850



A delighted
Scott Anderson
 drew the Ten of
 Diamonds to
 win \$5.00.

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

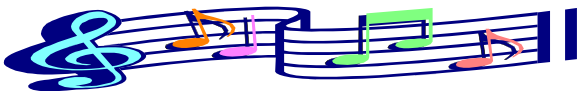
Happy Birthday

Richard Hamlin, June 2
 Brian Zamorski, June 5

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The 4-Way Test
 of things we think, say or do.

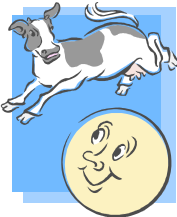
 Is it the TRUTH?
 Is it FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
 Will it build GOODWILL and
 BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all CONCERNED?



Let's Sing, Rotarians!

By the *Light of the Silvery Moon*

By the light of the silvery
 moon,
 I want to spoon,
 To my honey I'll croon
 love's tune
 Honeymoon keep a-
 shining in June,
 Your silv'ry beams will bring love
 dreams
 We'll be cuddling soon,
 By the silvery moon.



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
 Thursday Naples North Country Club of
 Naples 7:30 am
 Bonita Springs-Spanish Wells CC
 Friday Naples-Pelican Bay Club at
 Pelican Bay 7:15 am

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