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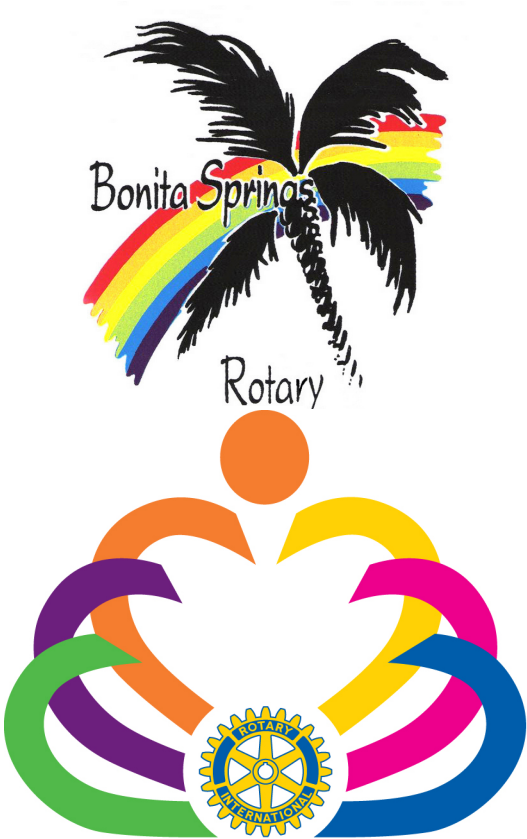
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The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs
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Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

November 9, 2011



Last Meeting

President Jim presided. **Frank Keck (rr)** delivered the invocation. **Klaus Helf** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Scott Gerrish (rr)** led the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** led a rousing rendition of *When You're Smiling*.

Thanks to our friends in the Lee County Sheriff's Department we learned about the annual Adopt a Family and the Holiday In the Park at Riverside Park programs. Please bring new, unwrapped presents and drop them in the Gift Box that will be with us over the next few weeks. Your generosity will help families during this special time of year.

Shots for Tots

Dick Fredrickson offered a Shots for Tots Report.. **Scott Gerrish (rr)** and his wife Amalia assisted in the effort which saw 19 families with 32 children receiving immunizations. Dick is also looking for a volunteer to assist with the December 6 session. If you can help, please let Dick know...and thanks to all who support this most worthy and venerable of Club projects.

Nancy Ross reminded us that Meals of Hope will take place December 17 at the Hyatt Coconut Point. If you would like to join the Committee planning this event, please let Nancy know.

It was nice seeing Adam Botana President of the Noon Club last week. Adam reminded us of the 26th annual Bonita Christmas Boat Parade which will take place December 10. If you are interested in participating go to its website BonitaBoatParade.com for information.

This Week's Program

Ray Judah

"Lee County Update"



Last week we welcomed back Commissioner Ray Judah who since 1988 has represented Lee County District 3. As usual, his presentation was interesting and informative. He briefed us on

initiatives aimed at attracting new industry and diversifying our economic base. We also heard his views on the benefits and importance of the Conservation 20/20 initiative. Thank you Commissioner for a very thoughtful presentation—please visit us again soon.

Time to Mark Your Calendar

John Mathes announced that our Club Christmas Party will take place Saturday, December 17th at St. John the Evangelist Church Hall. Your \$100 donation secures appetizers, dinner for two and an open bar. And, in addition to the real possibility of visiting with Santa, you'll be treated to a wonderful and exciting silent auction. If you have auction items you would like to donate, please see John or any Committee member. Last year's event raised over \$10,000 and the Committee aims to surpass that number. Let's help them make this special Holiday tradition a success.



Welcome Melissa and Todd



Member initiation ceremonies are always a happy time and we were pleased last week to welcome **Melissa Taylor** and **Todd Kluener** as new members of our Club, pictured along with **President Jim** and their sponsors **Stephanie Kissinger** and **Ray Faubion**.

A Paul Harris Moment



President Jim recognized **Gerry Myers**, our Club TRF Chairman who awarded **Chris Riesen** Paul Harris Membership. Chris achieved Paul Harris status in just four months of membership. The generosity and leadership of Chris and Rotarians like him assists TRF in fulfilling its humanitarian and educational initiatives on a global basis.

Member Spotlight

Jim Renfro was born about as far away from Southwest Florida as possible while still being in the U.S. Born in Spokane, Washington, he followed in the footsteps of his father, who was an All-American football player drafted by the San Francisco Forty-Niners. After following in his dad's footsteps and playing college ball himself, he graduated from the University of California with a P.E. major and Art minor.

It was art that became his career, and it was the



Renaissance Fair that brought him to this area in 1969. As Art Editor for Gulf Shore Life, he was involved as a board member in the Naples Art Association, which offered the first scholarships to Ringling College.

At that Renaissance Fair, Jim met his future wife Annie at a cooking class. Married 30 years, they have six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Jim has been a member of our Club since 1990 and currently handles our weekly raffle sales. Thanks Jim for being a great Rotarian.

A Few Final Thoughts

Bobbi Bird is working on another Club roster update. If your listing needs “tweaking” email Bobbi with that information as soon as possible.

President Jim advised that **John Spear** is organizing a nominating committee whose role it will be to present 2012-2015 Board candidates for Club consideration and election. If you are interested in serving on that Committee or on our Board, please see John.

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This Weeks Big Prize



Last week a jubilant **Rolando Rivera** drew the Five of Hearts to win \$5.00

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



Let's Sing, Rotarians!

This Land Is Your Land



This land is your land,
This land is my land
From California to the New
York Island,
From the Redwood Forest
To the Gulf Stream waters;
This land was made for you
and me.

As I was walking that ribbon of highway
I saw above me that endless skyway;
I saw below me that golden valley
this land was made for you and me.

Happy Birthday

None to Report

The Spoke

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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?

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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