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# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs October 10, 2012

#### Last Meeting

**President Stephanie** presided. **Don Thomson** delivered the invocation. **Jim Renfro** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Peter Zahner** the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** conducted a rousing rendition of *Take Me Out To The Ballgame*.



Flower Power Rocks...we are fast approaching the conclusion of this important fund raiser. So keep selling those poinsettias and remember every poinsettia order delivered allows you to draw from the poinsettia

table's grab bag and win a fabulous prize. Thanks for your help and support—we will be placing our order this month.

**Marks Your Calendars...**"Halloween in the Park" and "Dictionary Day" is October 31 and November 2 respectively and volunteers are needed for both events. Please see **Bobbi Bird** or **Gary Colecchio** if you are able to help.

**Taste of Bonita...**It was nice visiting with Sam Black from the Noon Club who briefed us on her Club's signature fundraising imitative, the 19th annual "Taste of Bonita." This year Taste of Bonita will take place Sunday, November 18 at Riverside Park. The event kicks off Saturday night November 17 with a free concert hosted by the "Caribbean Chillers." Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For more information please contact info@TasteofBonita.com.

**Susan Schmitt** reported on activities at Rotary's Camp Florida. A Camp Florida Board member, Susan advised of us of exciting expansion initiatives which will allow additional campers to enjoy the Camp Florida experience. To help raise awareness in Southwest Florida Susan will be heading up an Ad Hoc Communications Team. If you would like to help with this project, please see Susan.

# Last Week's Program "Election Update"



Last week **Roger Brunswick** invited Izzy Havenick and Michael Havenick to visit with us and discuss the November 6 Lee County Referendum which if passed would allow the Naples-Fort Myers Greyhound Racing & Poker to place slot machines at their site.

### **Congratulations Marjorie**

It was with genuine and heartfelt affection that we congratulated **Marjorie Rubacky** on being named Bonita Springs Citizen of the Year. Presenting the award Ann Weinberg, quoted in the Naples News observed of Marjorie, **"By** serving others while conduct



ing herself with such polite dignity and grace, we asre inspoiured and given hope for outrselves and the entire human family." Congratulations once again Marjorie...and thank you.

#### It's Clambake Time

**Richard Garner** reported that Friday, November 9 the YMCA will be hosting a Luau/Clambake. Tickets are \$75 a couple and will be available at our meeting this morning. Plan on attending.

#### "Label Day"



Fortified by Bobbi's unique and secret labeling technique, a happy group of Rotarians met this past Saturday to label books in anticipation of Dictionary Day which will take place in November. Please let **Gary Colecchio** know if you are able to help distribute dictionaries.

#### From RI

#### A New Rotary Website

Rotary has created a virtual home – <u>endpolionow.org</u> – where people can rally together to finish the fight against polio. The website is available in English, with other languages to follow. Key features include **compelling stories you can share about polio eradication;** interactive, dynamic graphics that help you tell the story; how donations can be used to fight polio; how to use your social media status to share Rotary's polio story and links to polio communications resources that will help you educate and inspire others to end polio now.

"To achieve a polio-free world, Rotary and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative need your support to spread the word," says Robert S. Scott, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. From RI

#### **Rotary Rocks Polio**



Rotary International shared the polio eradication message with the world last Saturday during a massive charity concert in New York's Central Park, organized by the Global Poverty Project. Headlined by the Foo Fighters, The Black Keys, and Neil Young with Crazy Horse, Global Citizen Festival 2012 drew a live audience of more than 60,000, and many more online and via television broadcasts.

Rotary produced a seven-minute segment preceding Neil Young, himself a polio survivor. Emmy-award winning actress Archie Panjabi, a celebrity participant in Rotary's "This Close" public service campaign; Aseefa Bhutto Zardari, daughter of Pakistan President Asif Ali Zardari and the country's goodwill ambassador for polio eradication; Canadian Rotarian and polio-survivor Ramesh Ferris; and RI General Secretary John Hewko stirred up the crowd to help eradicate the disease.

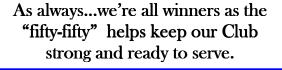
Hewko encouraged the audience to play a role by lending their voice to the cause. "Help us convince the leaders of the world that resources are needed NOW to end polio FOREVER. We did it with smallpox -- Now let's make history again by wiping out polio."

The Global Festival, which organizers are calling the largest syndicated charity concert in online and broadcast television history, was timed to create awareness around the UN General Assembly in New York. At a high-level side event on polio eradication 27 September, Rotary announced a new funding commitment of US\$75 million over three years to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). Rotary has already contributed nearly \$1.2 billion to the GPEI since the beginning of the campaign.

## \$\$\$50/50\$\$\$ This Weeks Big Prize\_\$812



An overjoyed **Rex Sims** drew the King of Hearts to win \$5.00.





# Scott Anderson, October 13

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Rotary "Sings"



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.

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