

Samira Beckwith leads Hope HealthCare Services

Kae Moore introduced our speaker, **Samira Beckwith**, President and CEO of Hope HealthCare Services. Samira is graduate of The Ohio State University and was properly greeted by #1 OSU alumni, **Roger Brunswick**. In addition to her professional qualifications, Samira danced and won the Star Struck Dance competition a couple of years ago.

She has been involved with health care in our community for the last 20 years. She says the at the hospice “We care for people who more likely than not are not going to survive their serious illness. Our goal is to make them as comfortable as possible, and really, to let them live as comfortable as possible for all the time that they have.”

Samira has broadened the original Hope Hospice scope with additional care management and support programs beyond serving those with serious illness. Examples



include home based care, help for children and families coping with grief or serious illness, medical care, Parkinson resources, services for veterans, and pet services for hospice patients. The PACE program is directed at enabling participants to remain in their home rather than a nursing home. Highly personalized care is available for those facing a prognosis of months rather than years, designed to meet the specific needs of each individual - and his or her family.

Samira’s husband, Jim Sievers is a nephew of **Roy Sievers**. Only a few old folks remembered Roy. He was a 16 year

major leaguer, 5 time American League All Star, who was the AL home run and RBI leader in 1957. Roy played for the **St Louis Browns**, the original and expansion Washington Senators, and others. He last played in 1965 for the expansion Senators.

Service Area and Office Locations

- Hope Comfort Care** Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee
- Hope Connections** Glades, Hendry
- Hope Hospice** Glades, Hendry, Lee
- Hope Kids Care** Glades, Hendry, Lee
- Hope PACE®** Charlotte, Collier, Lee
- Hope Parkinson Program** Lee
- Hope Visiting Nurses** Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Hendry, Lee, Sarasota

Report from Yarrabah



Here are some results from our literacy project in Yarrabah, Australia where we purchased library books and implemented a parent-child literacy program through the primary school.



Primary school student
Zion Sands-Barlow
wrote the poem
Sparkling Water print-
ed in the next column.

Sparkling Water

Big mud crabs looking at me,
Little birds sitting in the tree.
Little fish swimming in the sea,
Little ants looking at the tree.

I can hear:

Scary waves barking in there.
Crazy crabs running out of nowhere.

Big coconut falling
as fast as a leopard out of the tree,
Little person whispering at me.

I can feel:

The yellow sand touching my feet,
Cool waves crashing in a beat.

The heat on my feet,
Loud beat dancing on the street.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President **Tom Briers** presided, week 13. **Roger Brunswick** read the invocation; **George Cohan** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Jim Dati** recited the Four Way Test flawlessly. **Ron Anderson** led the singing of *All Hail to Rotary*.

Tom thanked **Steve Slachta**, **Bob Lombardo**, **Morgan Eldridge**, **Brad**

Piotrowski, and **Gary Price** for helping with the Community Garden Clean Up.

Tom asks for good attendance at the September 30th Club Assembly. “[The Club Assembly] helps us to get ideas about things we need to be doing going forward. **We do need your input.**”

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 29th. Three Club Social at Artichoke & Co. \$20/pp at the door.

Friday, October 2nd, 9 am. (Tentative). **Distribute dictionaries** at local elementary schools.

Monday, October 5, 1:00 pm. Third annual **Help for American Warriors** golf and dinner event. Nine holes of golf. Dinner at Cirella's. \$135/person. \$65 for dinner only. Contact Bob Lombardo.

Saturday, October 17th, 6 pm. Gift of Life Concert at St. John the Evangelist. www.keysfortheheart.org or Sonny Grech 239-450-5184.

Saturday, October 24th, 2-9 pm Riverfest, Riverside Park. We're selling beer. See Donna Flammang.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Tom Briers, President

Tom's Rules

Tom said: "Specifically, I want to establish some ground rules that everyone understands and follows, each week. They are:

No table talk during the presentation.

Not only is it disrespectful of the speaker, but also of other members who are distracted by the chatter, or unable to hear the speaker.

No walking around the room during the presentation to get coffee, food or pass whatever sign-up sheet that may be circulating that day. (A possible exception will be the "call of nature".)

No texting, or other distractions.

Special Guest Speakers (District Governor, or other Rotary Official). As a show of respect, please welcome them with a standing ovation when introduced, as well as after their presentation."

"If leaving early (scooting) please:

Go to the speaker before the meeting.

Thank them for coming and let them know you appreciate them speaking to the Club. Explain that you have another commitment and, apologize for not being able to stay for their presentation.

Try to leave before they are introduced as the speaker.

Give the Sergeant-at-Arms a \$ or \$\$ for having to leave before the closing bell."



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Secretary	Jon McLeod
Treasurer	Bob Lombardo
Sergeant-at-Arms	George M. Cohan III

Last Week: A Spotlightsed

Jim Dati drew the 7♣



The 50/50 is \$1,474

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
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Rotary Sings:

Take Me Out To The Ball Game

Take me out to the ball game,

Take me out to the fair --

Buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jacks,
I don't care if I never get back!

We will root -- root -- root for the home team
If they don't win it's a shame;

For it's one! two! three strikes you're out!

At the old ball game.

Take me out to the ballgame.

First, let's stop at the bank.

I'll need a mortgage so I can pay.

Parking the car is another outlay.

And you pay big bucks for a hotdog.

The cost of beer is insane.

First it's Oh my! Prices are high

at the old ballgame.

This Week

Tom Briers
Club Assembly

Birthdays

Klaus Helf Oct 3

This Morning's Invocation

Eternal God, from various walks in life, from different family backgrounds and religious persuasions, we come together in unity of spirit and purpose.

In this autumn season we acknowledge the magnificence of creation and the magnitude of Your power in the natural world.

Help us to know the joy of serving rather than being served, of loving rather than seeking to be loved. As we share in the commonality of our identity and purpose, help us to use that relationship for the welfare of our club and in service to others.

We offer thanks for the food prepared for us and for table fellowship as we share these moments together. Help us to be appreciative of each other as we work together for others. Amen.