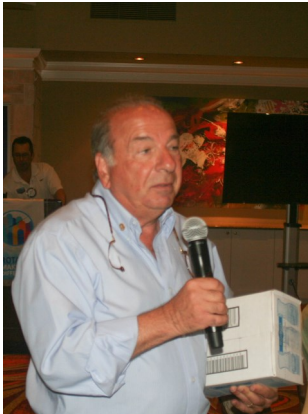




President Jon noted it was very 'light' in attendance. Wayne read the invocation, Roger led the Pledge and Past President Steve did the Four Way Test. Our song leader was Steve who led us all in 'Take Me Out To The Ball Game'. Jon reminded everyone that there would be laptops available to register folks for the District Conference. Bob reminded us how wonderful the U.S. Army Jazz Ambassador concert was—they want to come back next year! He also had a case of Copa that he auctioned off. Donna won and ended up leaving without her prize! Hopefully the wine is still there Wednesday morning!



Bob thanked all the volunteers who helped out at the event. Debbie Vorhees, just after taking a bite to eat, was called upon to talk about Walk for Water on April 7. Debbie asked for sponsors—contact her for



more information. A very busy Adam said he still has 75 tickets left for the Reverse Raffle, also on April 7. Joe Murgalo is taking table reservation. Each ticket is \$100 for 2 people! The Spirits of Bonita will be raffled off as well as a 4 night stay at the Pink Shell and off shore fishing trip. Adam is also auctioning off a Boat Club Membership! President Jon thanked Frank M. and Mike P. who have sold 10% of the available tickets!



This Morning's Invocation

Almighty God, as we pause in prayer at the outset of this meeting, help us to realize the significance of these brief moments as a preface to our time together. We confess that our prayers are often perfunctory, our acknowledgement of your presence and power all too casual, and our impatience with quietude all too pervasive. Although we represent various sectarian back- grounds, we unite in mutual awareness that in all of our human endeavors we need divine assistance and blessings. Use our private and corporate involvement and our Rotarian experience to bring truth, fairness, good will, and beneficence to our community, culture, and world. Accept our gratitude for food and all other gifts lavished upon us. Amen.



District Governor Elect Sandra Hemstead and the esteemed Mr. District Governor Elect Wayne Hemstead came to the front. Sandy said she normally doesn't get to do this

with her spouse but she was so proud to give Wayne a Paul Harris plus 5! Someone cast a disparaging comment about how Wayne made it to the top—all in good fun! President Jon asked Steve Slatcha to stand up on his last day as City Council Member and congratulated him



on his years of service. Jon then introduced our speaker, Mike P. who said we will continue the theme of talking about sports. When folks find out what Mike used to do—coaching that is—they always want to talk about it! Some things Mike doesn't like is youth football—it should be banned. Also, year round sports don't let

kids be kids. And he doesn't like camps—they've changed—they can ruin a kid. As a coach, he teaches his players to destroy the other guy—to mentally wear them down. Then, when you walk off the field you have to turn the switch off and be a great person. It's hard to do. Coaches don't let their



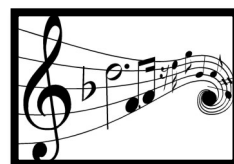
players go out and party but keep them in the dorms. Summer ball is brutal—you never go home and see your family. They're out running at 7 and don't quit until 9 pm. Your job is to win—it is a business Most coaches move every 2 years—it's very cut throat.

This week's program:

Sara Horein, Red Cross, Eradicating Measles

Song: Easter Parade

In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it,
You'll be the grandest lady in the Easter parade.
I'll be all in clover and when they look over,
I'll be the proudest fellow in the Easter parade.



On the avenue, fifth avenue,
the photographers will snap us,
And you'll find that you're in the rotogravure.
Oh, I could write a sonnet about your Easter bonnet,
And of the girl I'm taking to the Easter parade.

Notable Notes

5 Years ago

Reminder...We're Moving - Effective Tuesday, April 2 Our Club will meet at Pelican's Nest, 7:30 a.m.

10 Years ago

Last week we witnessed the Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Ceremony congratulating new and existing Paul Harris Fellows. District Governor **Gary Israel** and Assistant Governor **Steve Agius** welcomed new Paul Harris Fellows **Roger Brunswick**, **Greg Holtz**, **Roman Horoszewski**, **Kenny King**, **Fred Mansfield**, **Ben Nelson**, **Reverend Doug Pratt**, **Earl Pritchard** (rr) and **Sandy Scoggins**. In addition, existing Paul Harris Fellows were honored and recognized: **Jim O'Leary** (PHF+1); **Diane Lepola** and **John Warfield** (PHF+2); and **Frances Dixon** (PHF+3).



Roger reminded us of the Blue Buckets on the table and asked all to reach deep into their pockets to help out Alzheimer's Research. For happy/sad dollars Sandy was happy about getting 2 grants to help cleft lip and palate



in Mexico and latrines in Guatemala. President Jon talked about stopping to smell the roses in Yellowstone. Nancy had happy dollars for her family visiting. Rick



just wanted someone to return his heirloom umbrella and Dave L. introduced his friend and former District Governor Do Win from Vietnam.

Mark you calendars for the 2018 Rotary District Conference, May 17—19th at The Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. This is our own District Governor Bobbi Bird's conference. A laptop will be available at the meeting this week for all to register!



**A joyful Rex did not win!!
\$550 in the pot!**



Upcoming Programs

Apr 4th. George Robertson-Burnett. Rotary Membership

Apr 11th. TBD

Apr 18th. Ismail Hernandez, Freedom & Virtue Institute.

Apr 25th. Club Meeting

Front Desk

Gary Price, Ike Lichtenstein

Birthdays (Mar 25 - Mar 31)

Steve Slachta, March 29

Jason Dolle, March 31

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