



# The Spoke



Sandy had the very distinct pleasure of giving Linda Hammer an initial Paul Harris Fellow! President Elect Claudie is still looking for a Program

Chair. President Jon Jon reminded us all of the Walk for Water on Saturday and of the upcoming District Conference where the mid May meeting will be held. The 21st of May is the first opportunity to



work with Habitat for Humanity on the Irma rebuilding project. Adam reminded us all of the Reverse Raffle and Spirits of Bonita on Saturday at St. Leo's. After a few really bad jokes from President Jon, Roger took over and started by wishing a belated birthday to Jason



Dolce, who struck a pose and Steve Slachta. Clara Ann reported on the League of Women Voters and Sarah McCallum looked pretty in pink!!



## This Morning's Invocation

O God, as individuals and as a Club help us to engage in worthy endeavors, not for personal satisfaction but for the benefit of others. Empower us to be men and women, not only of professional ability, but of such integrity that our words and works will be winsome and effective examples for others. As we tend to the organizational details of our Club and projects, help us to always keep on mind the larger and higher purposes of our chartered existence. We ask for Your blessing upon the food awaiting us that that we may be physically strengthened for continued service. May all we do and say be productive and to Your ultimate glory. Amen.



We were all able to wish an early Happy Birthday to Jim O'Leary! Sandra Hemstead introduced George Robertson Burdett from Aberdeen Scotland, by way of Bartow, Florida. George a Past President and District Governor, current Assistant Rotary Coordinator and soon to be Coordinator for our area, Zone 34, Florida, Georgia, and the Caribbean. George has another woman in his life,



Anita, who brought him into Rotary and changed his life forever. Rotary is a membership organization that does service—it is an organization of business professionals, that do fellowship, networking, and good in our community. The Zone is growing and the average age is coming down which is great news! We don't talk about Rotary



enough—many folks think we have a secret handshake! We should take every opportunity to talk about what we do. We're people of action!

**This week's program:**  
Apr 11th. The District Governor, Bobbi Bird!

## Song: Yellow Rose of Texas

There's a yellow rose in Texas,  
That I am going to see,  
Nobody else could miss her,  
Not half as much as me.  
She cried so when I left her  
It like to broke my heart,  
And if I ever find her,  
We nevermore will part.

She's the sweetest little rosebud  
That Texas ever knew,  
Her eyes are bright as diamonds,  
They sparkle like the dew;  
You may talk about your Clementine,  
And sing of Rosalee,  
But the YELLOW ROSE OF TEXAS  
Is the only girl for me.

# Notable Notes

## 5 Years ago

### The New Guy(s)

**Frank Liles Jr** is a native of Bonita Springs. He has served as president of the Bonita Springs Jaycees and as a director of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce. He is a commissioner of Bonita Springs Fire and Rescue, and a member of the Cypress Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and Araba Shrine Temple in Fort Myers. He has been a director of BSU since 1986. He retired from his nearly four-decade-long career with Sprint in 2005.

## 10 Years ago

### Last Meeting at Highland Woods

This morning marks our last meeting at Highland Woods. Beginning with next week's meeting, April 16, we will convene at Spring Run Country Club in the Brooks.



**The FOUR-WAY test**  
of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

### Rotary International

Ian Riseley

### District 6960 Governor

Bobbi Bird

### The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

Area 2 Assistant Governor,  
Joe Faerber, Estero Rotary Club

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The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs' Reverse Raffle was a huge success. Tony Toska and his wife Gerta were one of the winners of the Spirits of Bonita, but the big winner of the night was our own President Jon McLeod.



**Scott Anderson is surprisingly happy not winning!  
The pot is \$750!**



**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.**

### Upcoming Programs

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

Apr 25th. Club Assembly

### Front Desk

Kae Moore, Adam Botana

**Birthdays (Apr 8 - Apr 14)**

**Kae Moore** Apr 12

**John Spear** Apr 12

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