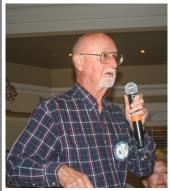
May 2, 2018 Week 42



The Spoke





Stephanie read the invocation, we all recited The Pledge of Allegiance and Kenny Wise did the Four Way Test. Our gentlemen crooners helped to get us started on our song, Somewhere Over The Rainbow, a favorite of the editor's who, regrettably due to a cold, sounded

terrible on the recording! Or was it really the cold?! Jim Horein's daughter in law sent a lovely thank you note for her invitation to speak at a recent meeting where the Club raised \$300 for The Red Cross. Donna Flammang asked to have a short meeting of the Program Committee. Mark Generales reported

that he has organized a tour at U.S. Sugar on Monday, leaving from Chamber Offices. Rex reminded all that there was still time left to order flowers for Administrative Pro-Wendy fessionals' Day! reported that her son, a pitcher at Weber Interna-University was pitcher awarded the vear.







This Morning's Invocation

Dear God, we ask for wisdom and strength not our own in order to make our citizenship and our professional endeavors worthy examples of life lived with integrity and compassion. We intercede for members of this and other clubs who are experiencing adversity of any kind. Sustain them by Your grace and power. May they be uplifted and encouraged by the support of their colleagues and friends. We offer thanks for food awaiting our enjoyment in the context of purposeful friendship. For the happy privilege of just being here, we are grateful. In the spirit, as well as with words of gratitude, we offer this prayer.



Nancy Ross is celebrating 34 years with her employer, Northwestern Mutual. Brian Olitsky celebrated his birthday and Roger looked very dapper on his 42nd anniversary. Bobbi reported that the City had a

Special Events Committee Meeting and that they were looking forward to July 4th but they need sponsors for this event. Claudie reminded all of the District Conference coming May 17—19 at The Hyatt and also of her Installation Dinner on June 2 at DeRomos. Theresa Schultz, the Education Coordinator at The Shy Wolf Sanctuary, didn't bring a wolf to the meeting but she did bring Seger, a New Guinea Singing Dog, one of only 20 believed to be alive in the world today. The Shy Wolf Sanctuary



is a refuge for exotic animals who are homeless or rejected. The sanctuary is hoping to move to Lee County soon, where they will be able to rescue and educate more. They have 65 animals and started with a black leopard! They have 30 wolf dogs and wolves. Theresa has held and fed raccoons and coyotes and none can be

released in the wild. She said, 'nature always trumps nurture'; they will always be wild animals.



Seger was a big fan of Dr. Wendy and was very interested in Adam —or was it the remnants of his birthday toast?! Seger did sing, after some prompting from the group.

This week's program:

Noreen Harrington, Alternative Investment Specialist, Bitcoin

Song: I'm Looking Over A Four Leaf Clover

I'm looking over a four leaf clover
I overlooked before
One leaf is sunshine,
the second is rain
Third is the roses that grow in the lane
No need explaining
The one remaining is somebody I adore
I'm looking over a four leaf clover
I overlooked before







Roger started his gig with a compliment from Claudie for looking so dapper in his suit, possibly due to it being his 42nd wedding anniver-With no sary. in guests the room except for Seger and his friend Human and only a few happy/sad dollars, the group began the annual tradition of the Adam Botana Toast Birthday complete with glassware and adult beverage. Roger declined first but at changed his mind!



Frank did not win! The pot is \$962



Upcoming Programs

May 9, Mina Merkel, Organization Development Specialist, Change Management

May 21, District Conference

May 23, Dr. Leslie Norins, Immunology Researcher. Can Alzheimer's Disease be caused by a germ?

Front Desk TBD

Birthdays (Apr 29 - May 5) Steve Hiatt Apr 30 Gerry Myers May 2 Mark McCaw May 3 Frank Kinzie (rr) May 3 GT Tasso May 5

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Notable Notes

5 Years ago

Jason Dolle reported on a successful Bags on the Beach event and Brian Olitsky reminded us that our Rotary 5K Run will once again take place July 4. Mark McCaw briefed us on the start of our Summer Golf Tour which continues this Saturday at Shadow Wood Preserve.

10 Years ago

Special Thanks to **Jim** and **Jody Horein** for hosting our Kentucky Derby Florida Style party this past Saturday evening. All of us in attendance appreciated your warm hospitality.

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.



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?

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