



The Spoke



Rich Kirchner, District Governor Nominee and retired Methodist Minister, did the invocation. Roger led the Pledge and Carl did the Four Way Test! Jon said that last week's attempt at singing was a debacle so we did not sing this week. Jon also reported that while we

would be presenting a check to Habitat for Humanity someone previously signed the "check" in permanent marker —names will not be mentioned here although a public shaming did occur at the meeting. Luckily Len will provide a replacement "check". Jon then called District Governor Bobbi Bird, Cindy, from the Noon Club, Rich Kirchner, Roger from the Naples Club, Jack Alexander from Sanibel, Vince, Sandy, Tom Patricca and Kitty Green, CEO of Habitat for Humanity to present a check for \$50,000. Kitty said that after Irma, the city wasn't there, FEMA



wasn't there, but Rotary was there. She didn't know how to create a disaster relief program but with Sandra's urging, they did. Jon recalled several events from the past including the Egg Competition where some folks slept under a tree due to a "spotted cow", and many helped out. At the Installation Dinner on Saturday, Donna was awarded a Club Service award and Marjorie Rubacky was recognized as Rotarian of the Year. That means, only 24 days until Claudie is president. Jon said Claudie's first act as President would be to cancel the meeting on her birthday but it was made known that her birthday does fall on the 4th!

This Morning's Invocation

Good and gracious God, as we enjoy this segment of our day in the context of our Club, help us to keep vividly in mind the principles of Rotarianism in our dealing with the world and in our relationships with others. We intercede this day for all who suffer and for all who labor to alleviate suffering. Grant wisdom to those who govern, strength to all who serve, courage to all who strive for truth and integrity in all phases of life. Bless our local efforts to serve others, to infuse our community with the proven principles we espouse, and to be standard bearers for truth in our spheres of influence. Bless and strengthen us through food and fellowship for the pursuit of our purposes as a Club. Amen.



Carl was called upon again to come forward for recognition. Apparently the pin being presented to Carl was a color Jon wasn't unfamiliar with so Bobbi

was called on to inform and present Carl's pin for being a major donor. Bobbi said the ruby means he gave more than the average bear and that you need to trade in 5 sapphires for the ruby. She thanked Carl on behalf of the Club and Rotary International.



Part of the money that Carl donated comes back to the Club. Thank you, Carl!! Bob Lombardo again appealed to all to pay their dues before the new Club Treasurer, Joe Murgalo, takes over. Roger started by saying what a sensational event the Installation was. He then asked for Happy/Sad dollars and he remind-

ed all not to make him walk back and forth too much!. Rex said that in 10 days he would get the proof of his book! Nancy recognized D Day and asked that all veterans stand. Roger then had a trivia question about what happened 5 years ago today that didn't happen today. It was singing of the same song—By the Light of the Silvery Moon which he was really hoping to sing. Sandy had a happy dollar for all the guests there today! Bob Langhans had



wonderful things to say about the Club as he leaves for season. We all sang Happy Birthday to Don Thomson since no one was under 27 years of age! There was an auction for Nicole's sunglasses and then Pason Gaddis, CEO with Florida Weekly discussed the benefits of digital advertising technology.

This week's program:

John Bailey, Author, "In Our Father's Footsteps, Normandy to Nuremberg"

Song: You're A Grand Old Flag

G. M. Cohan

*You're a grand old Flag;
You're a high flying flag
And forever in peace may you wave.
You're the Emblem of the Land I love,
The home of the free and the brave*

*Every heart beats true
Under Red, White, and Blue
And there's never a boast or brag
Should old acquaintance be forgot
Keep your eye on the Grand Old Flag!!!*

Roger's Corner



Upcoming Programs

June 20, Corey Adamski, Emergency Responder, Challenges facing SWFL emergency responders
 June 27, Stephanie Bunnett, Kunjani Craft Coffee, South Africa Water Project
 July 4, Happy Independence Day!
 July 11, Alfred Gal, Jr. Rotary Asst. Governor's Message

Birthdays (June 10 - June 16)

Jay Berube June 15
 Bill Oehler June 16

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YesterYear

5 Years ago

Stephanie cited the accomplishments of this year's Rotarian of the Year, **Bob Lombardo**. He and his wife have hosted several Rotary socials, he has conducted the annual mini-golf for Gift of Life, went to Honduras the deliver wheelchairs, and has agreed to be club **Treasurer** next year.

10 Years ago

Our incoming President **Ray Faubion** offered us an interesting report on the **District 6960 Conference** which he attended with many of our fellow Club members **aboard** the *Enchantment of the Seas*. The conference included the ceremonial passing of the District Governor gavel as well as presentations on a number of programs including the "Gift of Life" and Rotary's world-wide fight to **end polio**.



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

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District 6960 Governor

Bobbi Bird, The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

Area 2 Assistant Governor

Joe Faerber, Estero Rotary Club

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