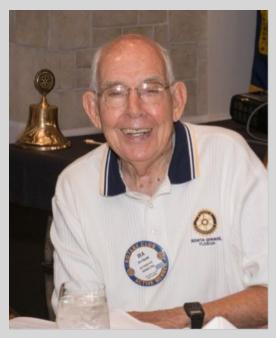


The Spoke August 29th, 2018 Week 9





In Memoriam

Ira G. Hawk 1926-2018

Ira Hawk, longtime Rotarian and member of this club since 1990, passed away on August 19th. A *Celebration of Life* for Ira was held last Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church with many Rotarians present.

George Cohan represented the club at the *Celebration*. He presented a Paul Harris +7 and a Paul Harris Major Donor award to Ira's daughter Gail.

George then described some of the important milestones in Ira's life. Ira was afflicted with polio at age 11. He was home schooled then was sponsored for a college scholarship by the local Rotary Club. After graduation, he earned a Master's Degree, worked as a newspaper reporter, then college administrator, before beginning a 37 year career with General Motors. After retirement, he turned to community service, with the club, Shots for Tots, his church, Meals on Wheels, and the YMCA. Ira was truly a wonderful example of "Service above Self".

President Claudie Delgado presided. Joe Murgalo offered the invocation; Roger Brunswick led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Brad Piotrowski recited the Four Way Test perfectly.



Roger ("Is anyone listening to me?") and **Dale Timple** led a not-so-good version of *School Days*.

Claudie announced the annual **Dictionary Day Labeling** will be September 15th. In addition, there will be a **Habitat** tree planting that same day.

Bob Lombardo heralded the new club so-



cial scheduled for the the first Thursday each month at the Trianon Hotel Bar and Lounge. The event will start at 6 pm, featuring complimentary snacks and cash bar. Significant others, friends, and fellow Rotarians are welcome. The kick-off event will be Thursday, September 6th.

This Morning's Invocation

Gracious God, from whose storehouse of abundant blessings we have generously received and by Whose Love we are embraced, we offer the gratitude of our hearts and the labor of our hands.

In the spirit of Labor Day's observance, we are thankful for the ability and opportunity to be workers, helping to make constructive differences in society. In our physical and mental laboring, help us to maintain the high vocational standards as expected of us as Rotarians.

Bless all aspects of our meeting today. As we enjoy food and fellowship, we remember those less fortunate and all who seek to minister sympathetically them. Amen.



We welcomed
Scott Hunter President of the Bonita
Naples Rotary Club
(nee Bonita Noon)
along with his President-Elect Gary
Dworkin. They announced the sale of
\$50 chances for a
\$2,000 Weekend in
Paradise Raffle.
Gary reported that

Bob Lombardo had invited him to a club meeting nine years ago and "this is the earliest I have been up since then."

Sergeant-at-Arms Roger Brunswick collected some Happy/Sad \$\$, introduced guests, and made a timely exit.

This Week's Program:

Brendan Powers, Florida Rep Theater

Song: America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain!

America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Make-A-Wish.



Susan Schmitt introduced our speaker **Emily Sumptmann** from Make-A-Wish, Southern Florida chapter.

The Southern Florida chapter covers the state's 22 most southern counties. There are offices in Fort Lauderdale, Tampa, Sarasota, and Bonita Springs. The local office grants about 70

wishes per year. The average cost of a "wish" is about \$6,000. All of the money raised here stays here.

Wishes are granted to children, 2-18, with critical illnesses. The recipients need not be terminally ill, in fact, many go on to long and productive lives. All members of the child's family participate in the "wish". Information and donations can be made at: http://sfla.wish.org



Roger Brunswick drew the 10 of **v** to win \$5.

The 50/50 is now: **\$500**

Upcoming Programs

September 5th. To be announced.

Thursday, September 6th. First monthly Club Social at Trianon. 6 pm. Hors d'oeuvres. Cash Bar.

September 12th. Brenda Brooks, Executive Director at CREW Land & Water Trust.

September 19th. Nancy Humberst, Senior VP of out-patient services, Nicklaus Children's Hospital, with special guest Julie Pedretti, Area Director of Community Relations.

September 26th. Deb Voorhees, Community Support Coordinator, Friends of Lovers Key.

Birthdays (August 26 - September 1)

Joe Murgalo Sept 1st

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YesterYear

5 Years ago

President **Bobbi Bird** presided. **Sue Masters** delivered the invocation; **Tom Burgess** the Pledge of Allegiance; and Rotaractor **Jasmine Williams** the 4 Way Test. **Jon McLeod** led a rousing version of "*America The Beautiful.*"

10 Years ago

At our last meeting, President **Ray Faubion** advised us that effective September 3, we will begin meeting at the **Bonita Bay Club**. This change has necessitated a modification in the pricing structure for our meals.

Effective September 3, our meal charges for both Rotary Regulars and those enjoying the Waiver of Attendance/Rule of 85 status will increase to \$18 per breakfast. Guest meal fees will increase to \$20.

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 concerned?

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