November 14, 2018 Week 20



The Spoke





Eileen Tasso did the invocation and Roger led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. President Claudie reminded us of the upcoming Pig Roast and Holiday Party at Don Manley's house! She then called Don up to give him an award-

Searching New Heights of Service-for being one of the first out to help with Irma relief. Don accepted.



He told us of his upcoming race which was not going to be much fun with 35 degree temps and frequent encounters with water—100 times! His son Hector, daughter, and son in law will be participating in this 24 hour endurance race. Wink will be doing an interview with Don and Hector. Don will be using this event to raise money and awareness of the wheelchair project, promising to purchase

wheelchairs for miles run—a total of 35 chairs. As for the Award, Don thanked everyone, but said it's not the kind of thing you should receive an award for—it's a labor of love, and it has to be in your heart.

Susan said the poinsettia sales are going well! Remember, everyone is a prospect! Mark announced the first meeting of the Nautical Market committee and that the event is the last week January.





This Morning's Invocation

Lord of the Past and Present, as we experienced Veterans Day this week, we acknowledge with gratitude and awe, the providential favor you have shown toward our country. In solemn remembrance we salute with pride the military veterans who gave themselves in personal sacrifice, to win and to preserve the freedom represented in so many ways. We pray for men and women now serving in armed forces. Surround them, we pray, with your protective providence. Help us all to be loyal citizens as we rededicate ourselves to the values and virtues which made our nation great. Now bless, we pray, our club proceedings, our meal and our friendship. Keep us true to our historic purposes. Amen.

Sarah reminded all about the 2nd Annual Santa on the Sand where kids sign up to see Santa, get a gift, and bring a gift for another child. This is a joint effort with the Friend of Lovers' Key. This event is sold out with 100 kids attending. Last year the recipient of funds was New Horizons. Sarah is looking for suggestions for this year—someone suggested an organization that helps foster kids. The Club approved \$300 to go to the event. Oh, and one more thing, they need a "Santa"! Chris said if the suit fits, he will do it! Sarah also needs 6 people to bake 6 dozen cookies. Bobbi and Eileen volunteered.





Kae let us know that Christmas Tree set up is coming soon! A sign up sheet is going around. Bob Lombardo showed us the ad in the Spotlight magazine which calls for folks to join the Club. Bob asked all to refer someone to join, as well, so we can get our numbers back up. Roger and Bob Gillette exchanged friendly jabs—I think! Bob, John, and Susan, were the birthday boys/girl!



Armando R. Hernandez, a veteran himself and SWFL Program Director of Home Base, spoke. Home Base is a Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Program who's mission is to heal the invisible wounds for Veterans, Service Members and their Families through worldclass clinical care, wellness, education, and research.

This week's program:

David Van Sleet, Founder, Wounded Warrior Softball Team, Louisville Slugger Warriors

Song — Grease

I saw my problems and I see the light
We got a lovin' thing, we gotta feed it right
There ain't no danger we can go too far
We start believin' now that we can be who we are
Grease is the word

Grease is the word, is the word that you heard It's got a groove, it's got a meaning Grease is the time, is the place, is the motion Grease is the way we are feeling.



Upcoming Programs

Nov 21, Jeremy Gentile, Manager, Mission United Program—United Way

Nov. 28, Steve Aronson-Bonita Bay Veterans' Council

Dec 9, Santa in the Sand, Lovers' Key Gazebo Dec 11 Rotaract Fundraiser, FGCU Holiday Party

Dec, 18, Holiday Party, Don Manley's house <u>Birthdays (Nov 11 - Nov 17)</u> None

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Notable Notes

5 Years ago

Our most excellent and celebrated Sergeant-at-Arms, **George Cohan** reminded us that our Club recently observed the 35th anniversary of its Rotary charter. In observance of that occasion George commissioned the services of a very special chorale which provided a unique musical tribute to our Club's anniversary!

10 Years ago

Our President-elect **Nancy Ross** provided a membership update and a report on our Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee members are **Greg Holtz**, **Marjorie Rubacky**, **Dick Hamlin**, and **Dennis Landfried**. Any Rotarians interested in being considered for membership on our Board should see Nancy or any Nominating Committee member.

The **4-Way Test** of the 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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