



The Spoke



Sara read the invocation, Roger led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and a late Adam tried to read the Four Way Test but Claudie blocked him and Jason had to help Adam out! Roger got us all started on Jingle

Bell Rock! Donna Flammang gave us a little background on her career—she was recently nominated as a top attorney of the year. Way to go, Donna! Kae got up and thanked everyone for their work on the Christmas Tree Tent. At the time of this meeting, there were only 28 trees left, some with a lot of “character”. Don Manley



helped Kae out saying that one Christmas Tree didn't have a top, in case someone was in the market for one of those! Scott Anderson, thanked the Kae and Don for all of their hard work and leadership. Don Manley reported that we received 300 poinsettias and the Christmas Tree

Tent would be closing soon—so Poinsettias are being reduced in price to move them. Don also reminded everyone that the upcoming Holiday Party was at his house, but it was the Club's Party so he was going to have a good time! Bob got up to speak about the Lover's Key Boat Show, Market and Seafood Extravaganza. Info on advertising can be found on the back side of The Spoke. Bob also talked about our Easy Cash Drawing, tickets designed by Wendy Spivy! Tickets are \$50 each, \$500, \$250, \$100 prizes will be drawn on the 4th meeting of every month.

This Morning's Invocation

Dear God, as we pursue our commitments as Rotarians, help us not to be satisfied with mediocrity in what we do, nor with shallowness in what we are. In our culture where superficiality abounds, we pray for the will to demonstrate strong commitment to the rock solid values and virtues we espouse and embrace as persons and as a Club. Let our example to others be clear and compelling. We offer thanks for food prepared for our use, and for those who serve us. Let our table conversations be uplifting, and our concern for others genuine. May the time we spend here today be productive for the purposes to which we subscribe. Thank you for all the favors from Your Hand. Amen.

Each member is asked to sell 10 tickets for 3 months and then the drawings will start. Adam reminded all of the Saturday night Boat Parade and After Party at Bay Water Boats. Claudie announced our Club Social at the Trianon on Thursday and Sarah told us about Santa on the Sand on Sunday with our own Chris filling in as Santa. Bill Banfield came up and with the assistance of Claudie was very pleased to honor Dave who has



achieved major donor status, level 3. Thank you, Dave. It was Roger's turn to introduce guests, with Rotaractors from FGCU, birthday wishes, and Happy/Sad dollars. Mark announced there was going to be a groundbreaking the following day for the Lover's Key Welcome Center.

Marjorie got up with a Happy Dollar for the work of The Spoke editorial team! The birthday boys, Carl and Brad got a call out from the members. Kae introduced Chris Edwards,



from TriCore Wellness, a 14 year veteran of the fitness industry. Chris's business is focused on personalized fitness and fitness with a purpose. The three primary areas are Fitness, Nutrition, and Recovery. They use technology to keep folks on track and accountable.

This week's program:

Deborah Voorhees-Welcome and Discovery Center at Lovers Key State Park

I'm Getting' Nuttin' For Christmas

So, I'm gettin' nuttin' for Christmas
Mommy and daddy are mad
I'm gettin' nuttin' for Christmas
'Cause I ain't been nuttin' but bad

I broke my bat on Johnny's bed
Somebody snitched on me
I hid a frog in sisters bed
Somebody snitched on me

Next year I'll be going straight
Next year I'll be good, just wait
I'd start now, but it's to late
Somebody snitched on me

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Notable Notes

5 Years ago

Each week we smile, laugh and are entertained—all for a very good cause. It is the work of **George Cohan**, our sergeant-at-arms. George's office is a tradition, one that adds to the fabric, character, and yes, charm of each and every meeting. During those wonderful and fun moments each week he is our advocate, commentator, and representative.

10 Years ago

Dick Fredrickson provided a *Shots for Tots Report*. Twenty-nine families were in attendance and approximately sixty children received their shots. Thanks to all for your dedication to this most worthwhile project.



Mary and Mattie—who finally spoke to Roger!!

Carl was one of the birthday boys!



We were all happy to see Bill Banfield return after a few weeks off! Looking good, Bill.



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Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER**

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Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Lover's Key Nautical Market and Seafood Extravaganza, January, 25, 26, 27. This year we are partnering with Florida Weekly for a 12 page insert at a very good price. The insert will be in the January 17th edition and will be distributed to Bonita Springs, South Fort Myers, and North Naples. Contact Bob Lombardo for further information. Full page premium Back cover and page three \$1,000.00, Full page \$800, ½ page \$600, ¼ page 400. The deadline for your ad is January 4th at 5PM. In addition we are offering logo sponsorships in three sizes on all our printed advertising other than the insert. Platinum \$850, Gold \$600, Silver \$250.



50/50
Marjorie did
not win

The post is \$500

Upcoming Programs

Dec, 18, Holiday Party, Don Manley's house
Dec. 19, Sandra Hemstead-District Governor
Dec 26, no meeting

Birthdays (Dec 9 - Dec 15)

John Mathes Dec 10
Sandy Hemstead Dec 11

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