



The Spoke



Kae Moore read the invocation, Roger led us in The Pledge of Allegiance, and Don Manley did the Four-Way Test.

Dr. Steve started recognizing our students and teachers by showing off his t-shirt—with the Periodic Table. He asked if anyone knew what the Periodic Table was and Don Manley



suggested there was one in his house where



he periodically invited us to join him and periodically he would take the table down.

Bob Lombardo gave a George Cohen update by saying that George is making progress but still has a ways to go and need our prayers.



It was reported that Rex Sims was a crème de la crème story teller.

Rick Barber reported that he was just fired for the first time!

This Morning's Invocation

O God, we come humbly into your presence by this avenue of prayer, expressing both our gratitude for gifts received, and our yearnings to be used as gifts to others. To that end, grant us visions of service yet unrendered, an awareness of goals yet unattained and hopes yet unrealized. Give us zeal and power to bring to reality the good and worthy things waiting to be done, and confirm our efforts by your assistance without which we labor in vain. Strengthen us now by food prepared and enjoyed. Enlighten us through productive conversations, and go with us as we return to waiting opportunities to make the day better for others. Amen.



Adam reminded us all that it was Roger's birthday yesterday. Roger asked for a boat ride for his birthday.

It was also Dr Steve's and Jim Renfro's birthday. Jim wanted all the Jims to rise and sing

happy birthday.

Dr. Steve introduced our speaker, the last of the public education presentations, Chris Patricca, a mother, wife, attorney, and community leader, and one of the best common sense leaders on the School Board. With 96,000 students, from 149 different country, speaking 136 different languages, Lee County is a majority minority school district. There are 1,500



to 2,000 new students per year. Hiring teachers and building new schools is a priority especially since the most important factor to student success is the teacher in the classroom.

This week's program:

Warren Pfohl -
"David's Refuge: Our Journey in Caregiving"

Song: I've been working on the Railroad



I've been working on the railroad
All the live long day
I've been working on the railroad
Just to pass the time away

Can't you hear the whistle blowing
Rise up so early in the morn
Can't you hear the whistle blowing

Dinah, blow your horn
Dinah won't you blow
Dinah won't you blow
Dinah, won't you blow your horn.

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah
Someone's in the kitchen I know
Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah
Strumming on the old banjo.

Rogers Corner



Guests were welcomed as was our speaker, Chris Patrica.



Kinley helped to sing Happy Birthday to Dr. Steve.



50/50
The pot is \$500



Upcoming Programs

March 7, Monthly Social, Trianon Lounge.
March 13, Doug Pratt - "Inspirational Stories Come to Bonita"
March 20, Rotary Regular Day - Andy Frech - "Someone said I Would Not Be Here"
March 27, Billy Birch - "I'm a successful musician in spite of myself".
April 13, Green Egg Fundraiser, Riverside Park.
May 9-11, District Conference, Westin Cape Coral.

Birthdays (Mar 3-Mar 9)

Roger Kemper (rr), Mar 7
Len Eckert, Mar 9

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Notable Notes

3 Years ago

President **Tom Briers** presided. Week 36. **Mark Generales** presented the invocation; **George Cohan** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Brian Olitsky** almost recited the Four Way Test flawlessly. Special guest conductor, **Frank Keck**, led the singing of *Smile*, a song made famous when he was District Governor in Illinois.

7 Years ago

President **Jim O'Leary** recognized **Ron Anderson** and thanked him for all his efforts for Rotary. Ron took over the Christmas Tree Sale from **Paul Helbing**, started the 5k run, started the *Gift of Life initiative*, and now has led the *Rotary Habitat for Humanity* effort. Thanks from all of us.

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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