December 4, 2019 Week 23



The Spoke





Kae read the invocation, Wendy led us in The Pledge of Allegiance, and Past President John Adams did the Four Way Test.

It was time for the EZCA\$H drawing with just one of the Wendys! The \$500 winner was Dr. Mazzeo!! Wendy Spivey's boss won \$250—the Wendys will have to speak up next time! Olivia Langsdorf, won \$100.

Rotarian of the Month was presented to The Spoke Editor, Donna Marcotte, who was unable to take a selfie!



Kae pinned our newest member, Laura Johnson, wife of Charlie Johnson. Welcome Laura. We didn't get to tell her the certificate is suitable for framing—at her own expense!

Jim Horein presented a State of the Poinsettia Address. He has done an outstanding job as CEO of this committee, keeping all of his salesmen in line.



Kae provided a Christmas Tree update and thanked Natene for her hard work! We still need help at the tent—go online or call Kae to help out! Sponsors, don't forget to pay and then get all the goodies that go along with your sponsorship—trees, poinsettias, and advertising in The Spotlight!

This Morning's Invocation

Good and gracious God, comfort and sustain members of our Club who are experiencing adversity of any kind. Use each of us as an agent of help and hope to our fellow Rotarians and to others who might benefit from our encouragement. Help all of us to realize that even out of adversities, blessings frequently come. As physical beings we appreciate the physical things of life but help us to be even more grateful for the spiritual realities which give meaning to all of life. For gifts of food and fellowship we offer thanks, but also for faith and hope. Grant us your consolation and peace. Amen.



Bob Lombardo reminded us all of the Holiday Party at the Manley Resort on December 17th. Remember to bring a gift to exchange—or steal!

Hopefully everyone got their tee shirt size in! President Chris will order them this week!

Mark G. led us all in the Notre Dame Fight Song. This will be the last fight song of the month. On to Christmas Carols next month!

Roger welcomed guests and took Happy/Sad dollars. He asked about the little boxes on our tables but an explanation would be provided by our presenter today!



Lee Bellamy, General Manager, Shangri La, updated us on the renovations and upgrades being done to this Bonita Springs gem.

This week's program: Fort Myers High School Choir

Song: Silent Night

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth

Roger's Corner

A visiting Rotarian from Ohio asked us to wish his friend a Happy Birthday, via voicemail. 80 years young!



Carl's grandson was selected for an all star baseball tournament at the Houston Astros training camp.

Jim had a 'maybe' dollar! What is that on your head, Jim?!



The Landy's had combo Happy Dollars!

Rotary Foundation

Our club foundation recently approved and paid: \$5,000 TRF Share Fund – Gift of Life Uganda \$2,000 Holidays Without Hunger–Meals of Hope

\$ 500 Ft Myers HS Choir – Trip to Washington

\$ 375 Stockings 4 Kids

\$ 300 Friends, Lovers Key–Santa in the Sand \$ 8.175

-Mark McCaw



50/50 The pot is \$500!

Upcoming Programs

Nov 29—Dec 15, Christmas Tree Sales Dec 14, Holidays Without Hunger, North Naples Middle School

Dec 17th, Christmas Party, Don Manley's Crib Dec 18, Vanessa Santiago, Lee Country Jr. Achievement

Jan 15th, 2020, National Immunization Day *May 16th, 2020, Club Installation Banquet* Birthdays (Dec 1-Dec 7)

Carl Bals, Dec 2 Brad Piotrowski, Dec 4 Bob Landy, Dec 7 Bob Andreasen (rr), Dec 7

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Notable Notes

3 Years ago

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms **Bill Banfield** made a timely appearance to cover for the missing **Roger Brunswick**. After a hearty, "Goooood morning, Rotarians", Bill told a couple of jokes (?). He got some laughs on the second one. Bill noted that member **Jason Dolle** had his picture and a story on the front page of the News-Press. Bill fined him \$5 for not mentioning Rotary in the story.

12 Years Ago

Steve McIntosh introduced a special guest, **Wilson Bradshaw**, President of FGCU, who is a member of St. Paul, MN #10 Rotary Club. St. Paul Rotary was the tenth chartered Rotary club in the world. **Bill Oehler** was president of that club in 1990-91. Prior to that Bill was president of the Roches ter, MN Rotary Club in 1982-83. He was president of Bonita Springs Rotary in 2001-02.

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 FRIEND-SHIPS**?

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

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