

The Spoke



President Bob range the bell and said he was going to mute us all! He then read the Invocation. Jim Fitzpatrick led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. Gordon Cosley did The Four Way test so fast we couldn't keep up!!

SongMeister Mark Generales had us enjoying a Burt Bacharach song, performed by the legendary Sammy Davis, Jr., "What The World Needs Now" with Tom Jones! Perhaps we all can remember this as we navigate Zoom meetings and resist calling out every few seconds when someone is slow to mute or unmute themselves (the opinions expressed by the Editor are not necessarily those of management).

President Bob had several announcements—the Polio Pool is 100% subscribed! Everyone should have received an email from Mary to sign up for the Tree Tent! Sign up now! Also, complete the form that was sent to by Eileen T. to everyone to update your online contact information. Bob L. asked about the Poinsettia flyer which was mailed out Mike Poff gave a further update on Poinsettias. Forms are on the website as well. Reorders are going very well, too.

Chris R. gave a report on the wheelchair foundation and the need right not for additional wheelchairs. Chris is asking the Club Members to contribute and match an anonymous contribution. Mark McCaw reported that the Club Foundation will match up to \$5,500!! President Bob will send out a pmail with

instructions. Bob also gave a testimonial on a wheelchair trip that he took and how rewarding it was.

Roger only had the floor for 4 minutes but was able to welcome guests and wish happy birthday to Steve Kissinger and John Flammang! Roger mistakenly reported that Steve was not on the call but Steve called out and was finally recognized. We all enjoyed a beautiful rendition of "Happy Birthday" by the incomparable Bobbi Bird who was channeling Marilyn Monroe!!



Daniel Webb, Executive Director of The Everglades Wonder Gardens gave us an update including that the flamingos have gotten shy during Covid! Stop by and visit them soon so they can be friendly again!

This Week's Program:

Kristen Duguay, Stories from the "World Race"

This Morning's Invocation

As we come to the end of the month called Economic and Community Development Month being observed throughout the Rotary world, we are grateful for opportunities in the context of Rotary, to use our individual - ness, and beneficence and to build better relationships in clubs, communities and countries. For this we request Your guidance and empowerment, as we commit ourselves to serving others, with glory given to You. Thank you for the food we prepare and for the fellowship which binds us together in doing Your will in the world. Amen.



Red, White & Blue, Lynyrd Skynyrd

We don't have no plastic L.A. Frynds, Ain't on the edge of no popular trend. Ain't never seen the inside of that magazine GQ. We don't care if you 're a lawyer, or a Texas oil man, Or some waitress busting ass in some liquor stand. If you got Soul, we hang out with people just like you

My hair's turning white, My neck's always been red, My collar's still blue, We've always been here Just trying to sing the truth to you. Yes you could say We've always been, Red, White, and Blue Ride our own bikes to Sturgis, We pay our own dues, Smoking camels, drinking domestic brews You want to know where I have been, Just look at my hands

Yeah, I've driven by the White House, Spent some time in jail.

Momma cried but she still wouldn't pay my bail. I ain't been no angel, But even God, he understands.

My hair's turning white....repeat from above

Yeah that's right! My Daddy worked hard, and so have I, Paid our taxes & gave our lives to serve this great country So what are they complaining about Yeah we love our families, we love our kids You know it is love that makes us all so rich That's where were at, If they don't like it they can just get the hell out!

My hair's turning white, repeat from above

Notable Notes

3 Years Ago

Chris Riesen came forward to introduce speaker Tamika Seaton Executive Director of the Florida Lions Eye Clinic located at the Lions Club in Bonita Springs. The Clinic's mission is to provide state-of-the-art, no cost refractive, medical and surgical eye care as well as optical and glasses for the growing number of medically indigent people in Southwest Florida. The goal is to improve the quality of life of those who cannot afford eye care by diagnosing and treating visual and related ocular medical conditions.

12 Years Ago

President **Ray Faubion** presided. **Doug Pratt** delivered the invocation. **John Tyson** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Bob Lorenz** led the 4 Way Test. **Steve Krchniak**, directed a rousing performance of *This Land is Your Land*.

Marjorie Rubacky and **Bobbi Bird** presented President Ray banners from their Northern Clubs in New Jersey and Maine. Thanks Marjorie and Bobbi.



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Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?



Will it build GOODWILL and BET-TER FRIENDSHIPS?

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

Upcoming Programs

11/4—Diane Pajak, The Future of Travel 11/5—Club Social, Trianon Hotel, Diane Ewing 11/11—Audra DiNanno, The Immokalee Foundation

11/18—Scott Anderson, Sustainable Building and Post Covid Office Space, WFH 11/24—TBA

Birthdays (Oct 25 -Oct 31) None

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Happy/Sad Dollars

Bobbi Bird had a happy "sock" but no dollars to put in it. Dave L. had a sad dollar for hanging up on Diane Ewing. Craig had a sad dollar that Kim's Dad had passed away,



The Estero High School Interact Club held its annual "T-Party" for the Cafe of Life. The club members gathered toiletries (get it?), including toilet paper, tooth brushes, tooth paste, paper towels, soap, and more. Future Rotarians, future community leaders, service above self.

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