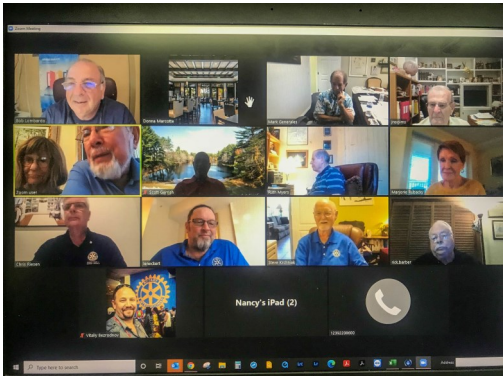




The Spoke



President Bob rang the bell. Eileen read the Invocation, Gary P. led us in The Pledge of Allegiance, and Marco did a spectacular job of The Four Way Test!

Christmas Tree Sales are in full swing! Don't forget to sign up for a shift or two, or three!!



A message from the President:

Some families rely on the goodness of organizations who operate yearly toy drives to help their children have a toy at Christmas. With Covid concerns, there are less toy drives and children in our area will be without. Our club has an opportunity to help local children receive a Christmas gift chosen just for them. Heaven Shakes (Rex Simms) is providing a tree with Angel Cards where we can choose one and return it with the wanted gift for that child. If you would like to participate, please stop by Heaven Shakes from 2 - 9, 27515 Old 41 Road, at the roundabout. They can be reached at 239-992-5683. Thank you to Diane Ewing for bringing this wonderful opportunity to our Club!



Vitaliy Bezrodnov, Founder "Rotary Childrens' Fund" a 501 C3. Coordinator for Cultural Youth Exchange, Program: Rotary Childrens' Fund and it's international Cultural Exchange Program GOLDEN GATES, was our presenter today and provided an inspiring and lively look at his organization. Inspired by Rotarians, Funded by Rotarians, Run by Rotarians!




This Week's Program:
Dr. Brad Piotrowski

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.





White Christmas

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas
Just like the ones I used to know

Where the tree tops glisten
And children listen
To hear sleigh bells in the snow, the snow
Said, I'm dreaming of a white Christmas
With every Christmas card I write
May your days, may your days, may your days
Be merry and bright
And may all your Christmas' be white

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Notable Notes

4 Years ago

President **Steven** “Oops, I left The Spokes in the car” **Slachta** belled the meeting to order. **John Flammang** presented the invocation; **Roger Brunswick** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **John Mathes** recited the Four Way Test flawlessly. Song Leader **Wayne Hemstead** told us the history and then led the singing of *Are You Sleeping?* It is the story of the bell ringing friar who slept through his appointed duties.

12 Years ago

Sponsored in coordination with the City of Bonita Springs, **Holidayfest** will include a live radio broadcast, children's' events and activities, food, drink, and other surprises that Santa is currently planning. This event will take the place of our annual Christmas Party so plan to enjoy an afternoon of holiday fun with your fellow Rotarians and their families.



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?



Upcoming Programs

12/3—December Social

12/9—Adam Botana Tallahassee update

12/16—Captain Ryan Marquette, Three Military Tours

12/23—Stephanie Kissinger, Waste Management

12/25— Merry Christmas!

Birthdays (Nov 29 - Dec 5)

Richard Garner, Nov 29

Carl Bals, Dec 2

Brad Piotrowski, Dec 4

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A message from Eileen on logging your service hours:

Fellow Rotarians, it is important to log our service hours on Engagement. This shows how our club is being “engaged” in service to our community. We should be proud of the work we are doing!!

On Dacdb,

- Find the icon called engagement and click on it
 - About 2/3 the way down on the left side under Service projects, it says ENTER PROJECT ACTIVITY click on this
 - Your name should appear here, click on the select project. Then click on the project where you have volunteered.
 - Add the number of hours you volunteered, the hit SUBMIT.
- Your project hours will then be logged.

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