



The Spoke



President Bob rang the bell, Jim Horein did the Invocation by sharing a heartwarming story of Christmas Tree Sales and a couple who purchased a tree in Dick Hamlin's honor. This reminded Jim of how much Dick touched his life, but that he never took the time to say so and how we should take every opportunity tell others how we appreciate them. Dr. Steve asked everyone to stand if they were able and led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. GT, who hasn't been with us in a while, did The Four Way Test!



Song Master Mark G. played a video of White Christmas with a twist!



We had an EZCASH Drawing with the Wendy's and Chris. For September, the \$100 winner was John Davis, the \$250 winner was Don Peppercorn, the \$500 winner was Mark Suchy!! For October, the \$100 winner was Roger Brunswick, the \$250 winner was Scott Gerrish and the \$500 winner was Dave Langendorfer.



Our good will ambassador, Diane Ewing, has brought an opportunity for our club members to help the community. Cafe of Life is in need of hygiene products and small diapers. Diane has placed a Christmas wrapped box in the tree tent to collect the items. Visit the tent, say hello to the your club members who are volunteering, and drop off the goods.




Dr. Brad Piotrowski gave an interesting presentation on dental implant procedures and the latest in dental technology.

This Week's Program:
Adam Botana, Tallahassee Update

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.





The Prayer

Oh God you know everything,
remember us
Teach us the way, which will lead
us to you
If it reaches you, this prayer of
mine
You will listen to it, and you will save us

We are your children
The light that you have
(I pray you'll be my light)
In the heart will remain
(And watch us where we go)
to remind us that
(And help us to be wise)
You are the eternal star

In my prayer
(Let this be our prayer)
How much faith there is
(When we lose our way)
If you guide us, you will save us

Our eyes are yours, We dream of a world with no more
violence
A world of justice and hope, Everyone gives his hand to his
neighbor

Symbol of peace, of fraternity, The strength it gives us
It is the desire that, everyone finds love

Around and within itself, This my prayer, we turn to you
And the faith you ignited in us, I feel it will save us
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Notable Notes

4 Years ago

Note from **John Mathes** showing the true Rotary spirit. "Rotarians **John Mathes, George Cohan, Rick Barber, and Frank Liles** delivered and set up a 12' Christmas Tree for **Chuck McBirney** and his wife **Sue**. Chuck is a two time past president of our club and was recently diagnosed with ALS, Lou Gehrig's Disease. President Steve and the club decided to donate the tree to make their Christmas special. Chuck was very surprised, emotional and very thankful that we remembered him. It was good to see Chuck again and to brighten his day."

12 Years ago

Shots for Tots, Dave Edwards has gotten a report from the Lee County Health Department. We conducted 11 clinics in 2007, saw 441 clients and 1137 immunizations were given. We can be proud of this project and the Rotarians who have made it work so effectively. Since January, 1995 we have served 5,643 clients and 11,900 immunizations have been given.



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

12/16—Captain Ryan Marquette, Three Military Tours

12/23—Stephanie Kissinger, Waste Management

12/25— Merry Christmas!

Birthdays (Dec 6 - Dec 12)

Bob Andreasen (rr) Dec 7

Bob Landy Dec 7

John Mathes Dec 10

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Club Happenings



Rotarian of The Month—Dave Shellenbarger!

President Bob reminded everyone that first Thursday would be in downtown Bonita at the shops of Old 41.

President Bob complimented everyone on the brisk sale of Christmas Trees and Jim Burger asked everyone to pitch in for the last week!

Rotarian of The Month, Dave S. updated all on the sale of poinsettias! In true Rotarian fashion, Dave S. said John H. should have been Rotarian of The Month for all of his efforts!

Everyone wish Brad P. a happy birthday!

Larry Vars was our guest—a northern, 30 year Rotarian from Vermont and new Christmas Tree Tent volunteer!

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