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New Member, Laura Carr



President **Bob Lombardo** was in charge at the in-person meeting at Shangri-La and the Zoom meeting. **Scott Gerrish** presented the invocation; **Joe Murgalo** led the *Pledge of Allegiance*; and **John Flammang** recited the Four Way Test.

Last Week Meeting

After a gaveling "Hey, we're trying to have a meeting here" from President Bob, **Mark Generales** came forward with his especially adapted lyrics to perform "Big Chris" to honor Past President **Chris Riesen**'s birthday. Mark was rewarded with a good round of applause in recognition of his artistic talent and effort.

This Week's Meeting

Brandon Robertson, FGCU Myths About the Origin of Jazz

This Morning's Invocation

Good and Gracious God, we pause to reflect upon what life would be like were it not for Your immeasurable love, grace, and generosity.

We give thanks for life itself, for minds to use in creative ways, and for hearts which generate compassion and love.

We are grateful for the capacity to worship, to work, and to use those gifts to bring honor and glory to Your name.

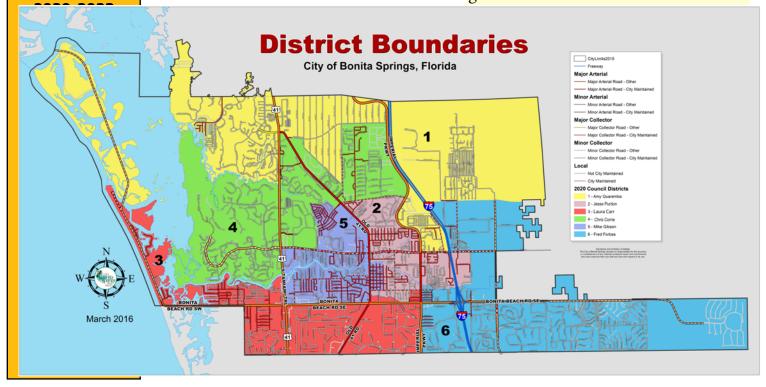
As we share today the material gift of food in the context of meaningful relationships, we are grateful for the spiritual realities of life which supersede the material, giving satisfaction to the soul.

With thankful hearts, we pray. Amen.

Laura's classification is Local Government. She is the Councilwoman for District 3 and says, "I am thrilled and honored to become a member of this club."

Laura is a twenty year resident of Bonita Springs. She completed her undergraduate work at University of Colorado, Boulder and her graduate work at Boston College. She taught sociology at Rutgers University, New Brunswick for a number of years before moving to NYC where she taught for several years at John Jay School of Criminal Justice before entering the private sector. In the private sector she was an editor and Director of Special Projects at a publishing house; she is also a published author.

Laura and husband, Arnold Haake, raised her son Nick here in Bonita. With Arnie she has a blended family including their son Nick, two sons, their wives and children, a daughter, son-in-law and their children, with 8 wonderful and beautiful grandchildren.



Awards and Installation Reception

Kae Moore talked about the upcoming reception on May 26th at DeRomo's banquet room. Cocktails and wonderful Italian (heavy) hors d'oeuvre from 5:30 to 7 pm, ceremonies from 7 - 8 pm. \$50/pp. Pay online at web site or check to John Flammang.

Last Week Project

President Bob reported that about 20 people showed up at Lover's Key to work on constructing cages to protect turtle nests on the beach. The group made about 30 "super" cages in the morning and then were treated to a demonstration of how they are used by Ranger Brian.

Last week Program



Marjory Rubacky introduced our Zoom speaker Tracey Failla the music therapist at Golisano Childrens Hospital. Tracey has been a board certified therapist for 10 years and has worked at Golisano for 7 years providing music therapy services to patients in both inpatient and outpatient units.

We were told that the healing power of music has ben validated by medical research. It is used in targeted treatments for multiple medical conditions including children on the autism spectrum.

After Tracey's talk, Jillian DaGraca, the Autism Navigator for Golisano described the community resources the hospital provides to families.

Upcoming Programs

May 26 - Dr. Ron Bowman, former Leader of the Naples' Opera Society

May 26 - Annual Awards and Installation Reception, 5/26, 5:30 pm-8 pm, DeRomo's Banquet Room, \$50 per person.

> Birthdays (May 16 - May 22) No Birthdaays

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5 Years ago

President Tom Briers brought Dave **Langendorfer** (rr) to the podium and presented him with the 2015-16 Herb Barnes Heart of Rotary Award given annually to a Rotary Regular.

Tom noted, "Dave has participated in every event that we have had that he has been available for including driving our Exchange Student to Fort Lauderdale at 2 AM so she could catch a flight." This year's award was a clock with a weather station.

13 Years ago

President Fred Partin presided. Doug Pratt delivered the invocation. **Tom Burgess** led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mike O'Dell led the 4 Way Test. **Steve Krchniak** directed a rousing performance of The Army Song and Anchors Aweigh

We enjoyed a distinct and singular treat last week as fellow Rotarian and newly elected Mayor of the City of Bonita Springs, **Ben Nelson**, addressed us.

The Four 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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