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Last Week Meeting
President Bob Lombardo
presided. Chris Riesen presented the Invocation; Joe
Murgalo led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Nanci Landy almost recited the Four Way Test perfectly.

Song Leader Mark Generales reported he had communicated with George Cohan about using George's grandfathers song, "You're a Grand Old Flag". We sang it well.

Bob reported a desperate need for a **volunteer driver** to drive our S4TL delegate up and back to the Bradenton Convention Center Wednesday, July 7th. Please contact **Steve McIntosh** for details.

<u>drssmo225@gmail.com</u> 239 273 9096.

The District 6960 **Conference** will be July 9-11 at Punta Gorda. Give Bob a call if you'd like to join in.

We have the beer franchise for the Fourth of July *Star Spangled Bonita* celebration at Riverside Park. We have 6 volunteers to work the beer tent and would like to have a few more helpers.

This Week's Program

Alex Greenwood,

V.P. Lee Health Coconut Point

This Morning's Invocation

O God, we pray for all Rotarians throughout the world that their visions and dreams might be realized, that their projects might be successful, and their beneficial influence be felt in high places and low.

Inspire us all to be responsive to needs, to live and act with integrity, to serve with love, that peace might be real and lasting.

Hear now our thanks for food to nourish us, for fellowship to enrich us, for work to engage us, all in accord with Your will to empower us and Your Spirit to guide us. Amen.



Scott Gerrish, with his flag day shirt, presented a framed photo of the Rotary Clock to Club President Bob Lombardo. Bob was instrumental in getting the clock. This 4th of July will mark the fifth anniversary of the clock's installation.

New Member: Abbey Morales



Dr. Abbey Morales is originally from Michigan but considers Florida her home, having grown up in Fort Myers since she was 3 years old. With a combination of education from the University of Central Florida and Florida Gulf Coast University, she earned her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and taught third grade. She enjoyed the interactions with her students, but always knew that dentistry was the perfect career to blend her love for science, creativity, entrepreneurship, and people.

She went on to study dentistry at Midwestern University in Glendale, Arizona where she earned her Doctor of Dental Medicine. Arizona was gorgeous but the pull of family, friends, and white-sand beaches brought her back to Florida, where she has practiced dentistry the last 8 years in Port Charlotte, Fort Myers, Auburndale, and now in Bonita Springs.

Joe Murgalo Time

Joe introduced **Brian Olitsky**'s son, Jared, and **Nathan Obrochta**, Interact members from Estero High School.

Joe led the singing of Happy Birthday for **Lynda Waterhouse** and congratulated **Rex Sims** on his 72nd wedding anniversary.

Last Week Program



Our program on Wednesday was presented by Lt. **Richard Castellon** and Sgt. **Jami Najarro** of the Lee County Sheriff's Office Animal Cruelty Task Force. They came with Deputy "**Chance**" an abused dog who was adopted and deputized by Sheriff Carmine Marceno. Deputy "Chance" is now the Ambassador for Animal Abuse Prevention in Lee County, FL.Office Animal Cruelty Task Force.

Upcoming Programs

June 30 Dr. Howard Freedman Florida Lions Eye Clinic

Birthdays (June 20 - June 26)

Jim Horein June 20 Matt Engblom June 23

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Scott Gerrish issue editor



Bob Lombardo

drew the 9 for \$5

The **50/50** is

\$1,517, Only 15 cards left

5 Years ago

George Cohan reappeared to act as Sergeant-at-Arms. He noted that the men have "really aged in the last month." [While he was missing]

Jay Berube brought some special lyrics for George to sing for Jay's birthday:

I'm gonna give free dog walks to you, I'm gonna give free dog walks to you, Don't worry Mr Berube This is my gift to you.

13 Years ago

We were pleased to hear from fellow Rotarian and Club member Rev. Dr. **Doug Pratt** this past week who offered a very interesting presentation on his vocation and themes in Religion as America enters the 21st century.

Doug is a native of Western Pennsylvania and a graduate of Allegheny College, the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, and the Fuller Theological Seminary. He has been an ordained minister for thirty years. His ministry has taken him to Kansas and Pennsylvania before moving to Bonita Springs almost four years ago. He currently serves as Senior Pastor and Head of Staff at the First Presbyterian Church in Bonita Springs.

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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