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Last Week Meeting

President **Kae Moore**, sporting an emergency tea bag bandage, clanged the meeting to order. **John Flammang** presented the Invocation; **Joe Murgalo** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Donna Flammang** recited the Four Way Test beautifully.

Substitute song leader **Donna Marcotte** led us through *Rocky Top*. **Joe Murgalo** joined in singing and claimed he had heard the song before.

Scott Gerrish reported that the "Y" will be having the 4th annual *Hank Hochstetler Memorial Golf Tournament* on Friday, September 10th. The proceeds from this tournament are used for the Bonita Springs YMCA scholarship fund. There are oppor-

tunities for golf as well as sponsorships. For more information contact Angel Cerritos, acerritos@skyymca.org, or 239-221-7560 x 1001.

Steve McIntosh told us that the Estero High School Interact Club is starting its 23rd year and now is the largest club on campus. The club managed to accomplish more than 1,000 hours of community service last year in spite of Covid restrictions.

Kae said we will be starting a club at Bonita Springs High School and we are looking for for someone to spend time on that.

Nancy Ross announced the Foundation had made a scholarship grant of \$5,000 for **Marco Del Grosso**, former FGCU Rotaractor, who will be going to law school in New York.

This week's Program Vincent Waterhouse Owner Weapons Defense Academy

This Morning's Invocation

O God, we come humbly into your presence by this avenue of prayer, expressing both our gratitude for gifts received, and our yearnings to be used as gifts to others.

To that end, grant us visions of service yet not rendered, an awareness of goals yet unattained and hopes yet unrealized.

Give us zeal and power to bring to reality the good and worthy things waiting to be done, and confirm our efforts by your assistance without which we labor in vain.

Strengthen us now by food prepared and enjoyed.

Enlighten us through productive conversations, and go with us as we return to waiting opportunities to make the day better for others. Amen.



David Gets a Blue Badge

David Webb, along with his sponsor, **Donna Flammang**, came forward to accept his blue membership badge signifying that he had completed all the introductory tasks.



Bob Lombardo explained the District's proposed grant to purchase trailers for disaster recovery.

This is a photo of the **disaster aid USA** trailer brought here for Irma. It had tools, equipment, and supplies needed for recovery.

District is going to get a grant for equipped trailers including one that will use reverse osmosis to make 20,000 gal/day of drinking water, and another, a bathroom and shower trailer.

MarJo and Allen..New Members



Kae called **Marjo** and **Alan White** forward to present them with membership certificates and red badges. They are owners of **A&M Home Watch Services** providing home watch services in Naples, Bonita Springs, Estero, and Fort Myers.

Marjo resides permanently in the USA and was born in The Netherlands near the German border. Thus, she speaks Dutch and basic German as well as English. She also studied Community Health Care and she graduated for her Master Degree in Public Health Care.

Additionally, Marjo has significant experience in providing house sitting services for friends and colleagues during their vacations. Her Health Care background makes her keenly aware of how important a clean and healthy house is for owners.

Alan is a military veteran and retired Federal Law Enforcement Senior Executive with over 35 years of national and international law enforcement experience.

Alan served as the Chief of Investigations for the United Nations backed Special Court for Sierra Leone, West Africa (Blood Diamonds) where he directed all criminal investigations involving the Sierra Leone Civil War. His efforts led to the indictment and subsequent conviction of Charles Taylor, former President of Liberia for war crimes as well as multiple other individuals.

He has been a Certified Fraud Examiner for the past 25 years engaged in establishing anti-corruption and anti-fraud prevention programs globally on behalf of the U.S. government and other countries.

As a small business owner of a global consultancy for over 14 years he brings a wealth of experience, doing business both nationally and internationally to A&M Home Watch Services.

Birthdays (Aug 22-Aug 28)

Joe Murgalo August 27

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The **50/50** is **\$2,200±**, 6 cards left

5 Years ago

Sandy Hemstead presented the *Rotary Minute* telling us about Rotary's Global Rewards Program. This member benefits program gives Rotary and Rotaract club members access to discounts on a variety of products and services selected with their interests in mind.

There are discounts on vehicle rentals, hotels, dining, and entertainment. Products and services from companies around the world are being added every week.

In addition to discounts, some benefits are in the form of donations by vendors to Rotary International.

One example is the AmazonSmile program which donates 1/2% of eligible purchases to your designated charity.

10 Years ago

Rex Sims stepped into the Member Spotlight last week and offered us an interesting and engaging perspective of what it means to be Rotarian. Joining the Rochester, Indiana Rotary Club in September, 1963, Rex's initial classification was "Metal Fabrication." Rex was an engineer and owned a factory which produced devices used in electrical generating plants burning coal.

He sold that business to Honeywell and worked in the real estate development business before moving to Bonita Springs in 1980. He currently serves as a partner in "**Heaven Scent Flowers**" and Bonita Springs' new ice cream shop, "**For Heaven Shakes.**"

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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