

The Spoke



February 2, 2022

Last Week Program



Our speaker today was **Jason Colbert**, Branch Manager, Bonita Springs Public Library. Jason gave us the basics of how to borrow books, ebooks, etc from the library and told us about some of the programs implemented and planned. He particularly praised the support received from the "Friends of the Bonita Springs Library".

You can connect to the library at: https://www.leegov.com/library

or

search for LEE COUNTY LIBRARY SYTEM

Jason told us of apps that can be downloaded to get and read copies of ebooks and discussed coming capital improvement project. Library cards may be obtained inperson or on-line by Lee County residents.

Last Week Meeting

President Kae **Moore**, presided. **Ann Angle** (rr) read the Invocation; **Joe Murgalo** led the *Pledge of Allegiance*; and **Len Eckert** recited the *Four Way Test* without a teleprompter.



Substitute Song Leader **Donna Marcotte** asked us to "fold the lyrics page in half" and then led us in singing *Rockin' Robin*:

"Tweedle-lee-dee-dee, tweedle-lee-dee-dee Tweet.tweet.tweet He rocks in the tree tops all day long Hoppin' and a-boppin' and a-singing his song"

Thanks Donna. Kae said, "Donna, you have my highest regard and admiration" after the singing.

Announcements

We sold more than 100 tickets to the **Farm City BBQ**. **Linda Waterhouse** led ticket selling and **Brad Piotrowski** was in charge of volunteers at the event. Thanks to **Dave Langendorfer** for helping to underwrite the cost of our part. We received \$5,335 from the organization as our share of the proceeds. "We all ate steak and fresh vegetables and had a good time."

Bob Lombardo greeted Past President **Richard Garner** who was at the meeting. Rich was Club President 25 years ago.

Bob reported on progress at the Boat Show, thanked volunteers for enthusiastic sign ups, and said the vendor spaces had all been rented. "We're gonna be there rain or shine, cold or warm."

Bob noted that dues **payments amounts** in the club's website were out-of-date for a few days. They have been adjusted. However, some will be getting an invoice for the difference.

Jim Burger reported that tally on Christmas Tree Sales is almost final. **Net profit** is \$32,000 including \$4,350 in sponsorships and \$1,800 in donations.

Kae said the two young men who volunteered at the Tent, **Jackson** and **Justin Meijer**, had been invited to a meeting to recognize their efforts. However, their mother says they can't miss school and will be there next year to help.

Mike Poff rose to say that **Poinsettia Sales** made about \$6,000. We sold 200 more plants than last year, however, our costs were higher.

The ?? annual **Reverse Raffl**e is scheduled to be **Saturday**, **April 23rd**. The committee is finalizing the ticket prices and other arrangements.

Gary Price took the microphone to report that **Peggy** and **Rex Sims** are now at home and mending. Thanks for all who signed the cards for them last week. The City Council recognized Rex for his 20 years of service on the LPA.

Kae announced this was the **second announce**ment of open nominations for Directors and Officers. Please see **Eileen Tasso** with nominations.

Joe Murgalo Time



Joe looked up at the Nautical Flag display in the room and said, "I always wanted to perform on the Love Boat." He approached Past President **Rich Garner** with "I don't know if he's a member, guest, or resident alien." All in fun. We're happy to have him at a meeting.

Joe greeted guests and collected \$1 fines from members without pins. He managed Shout Outs for **Mike Poff**'s birthday and **Dave Shellenbarger**'s anniversary.

Bob Lombardo Happy\$'d a thank you for the fast signups for slots at the Boat show. Then he told us his new dog was full of P and V and was named **Macallen** in honor of his favorite Scotch.

Weekly Happy\$ reporter, **Nanci Landy**, said she got to perform with the Village Walk Line Dancers last Sunday.

This Week Mark Generales

Upcoming Programs

- Feb 3. First Thursday Social, Hyatt 6-8 pm
- Feb 9. Jeff Estes, Principal, Bonita Springs High School
- Feb 16. Estero High School Interact Club
- Feb 23. EHS Leadership Academy
- Mar 2. Dr. Michael Martin, President, Florida Gulf Coast University

Birthdays (Jan 30- Feb 5)

Donna Marcotte Feb 2

The 50/50 is \$1,200±



Last Week visitor Greg Probst drew the 6♥ for \$5



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