



The Spoke



January 26, 2022

Last Week Program

Jim Fitzpatrick introduced our speaker Dr **Dee Fabry**, PhD. Dee has a long history in education including academic and corporate experience. She is a member of the Noon Club and District 6960 Literacy Chair.

2020-21 ELA Test Results Grade 3



County	Lee County Grade 3 (N=6,876)	Collier County Grade 3 (N=3,361)
Level 1 (Inadequate)	25%	17%
Level 2 (Below Satisfactory)	24%	23%
Levels 1 & 2	49%	40%
Level 3 (Satisfactory)	27%	30%
Levels 1, 2, & 3	76%	70%
Level 4 (Proficient)	18%	22%
Level 5 (Mastery)	5%	8%

Dee showed us the 2020-21 English Language Arts Test Results Grade 3 for Lee and Collier counties. About $\frac{3}{4}$ of the kids tested **Satisfactory or worse**. This is a devastatingly poor beginning for our children.

Next she showed us the efforts the Noon club is making to work on improving performance. She is urging each club in the district to develop programs to help.

Bonita Naples Books for Kids



- **Grades K -3 at Bonita Springs Charter School**
- **Every student receives a book on his/her reading level each month – all 555 of them.**
- **Read Aloud Sessions for all third grade once a month with a learning activity – all 157 of them.**
- **Mentoring program for struggling readers – as needed**
- **Two family literacy events this year**
- **Lake Trafford Elementary School – Library and Grade 3**

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Last Week Meeting

President Kae **Moore**, making sounds like a steam train pulling into the station, brought the assembled to order. **Ruth Condit** presented the Invocation; **Joe Murgalo** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Bob Langhans** (rr), with help, recited the Four Way Test.

Mark Generales took us down memory lane with singing of the theme song from the TV show *Welcome Back, Kotter*. After the singing, Kae said, "Nobody does that better than Mark Generales."

Students/Teachers of the Month

Steve McIntosh was on hand to present the monthly awards to the Estero High School and Bonita Springs High School winners.



Pictured here from left are **Emily Ott**, BSHS Student of Month; Emily's Mom; **Craig Van Scoy**, EHS Teacher of the Month; Nathalie Rodriguez's Mom; **Nathalie Rodriguez**, EHS Student of Month; and **Michelle Latorre**, BSHS Teacher of Month. They were awarded certificates and gift cards to mark the occasion.

Announcements

Kae announced that the Annual Reverse Raffle will be Saturday, April 23rd.

Bob Lombardo said there are a few signup slots left for next week's Boat Show. He thanked everyone for stepping up to cover the event.

Kae announced that the club is scheduled to have **election of officers and directors** at the second meeting, an "annual meeting", in February. Please contact Eileen Tasso, President-Elect, with any questions or nominations.

Get well cards for **Rex** and **Peggy Sims** and **Steven Slachta** were passed around for signing for members to sign.

New Members



Shown here is **Diane Ewing** (left) presenting new members **Carol Cayer** and **Ruth Condit** with Rotary pins as they were inducted into Rotary membership. Carol is a retired marketing executive. She was sponsored by **Lynda Waterhouse**. Ruth is a Residential Interior Design Specialist. She was sponsored by **Diane Ewing**.

Kae welcomed them to the "world's oldest, largest, and finest service organization".

Joe Murgalo Time

Joe introduced guests including returning long-time Rotary Regular **Maurice Sullivan**. Maurice told us of her successful project to provide books for an Chicago inner city school.

Joe organized a Happy New Year Shoutout to Birthday Girl **Marjo White**.

Jim Fitzpatrick donated \$5, for a commercial announcement, and told us that **Rex Sims** “has been cleared to come back to life” but was asked to stay at home for another day or two. However, Rex’s latest mystery novel is now on sale at Heaven Scent Flower shop and Heavenly Shakes.

Rex is scheduled to be honored at a City Council meeting for his 20 years service to the Planning Commission and for his contributions to the city.

Correction

Last week’s Spoke incorrectly reported that **Roger Brunswick** had resigned from the Club. Roger is still a member.

This Week

Jason Colbert, Branch Manager

Bonita Springs Library

Upcoming Programs

Feb 2. Mark Generales

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 23 - Jan 29)

Mike Poff Jan 25

Wedding anniversaries

Chris Riesen 40 years
Dave Shellenbarger 53 years

The 50/50 is \$1,100±



**Last Week
Bob Langhans (rr) drew
the Q ♠ for \$5**

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Bob Lombardo, Kae Moore, Jim Burger,
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2019-2022

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2020-2023

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