September 7, 2023

Week 9



Chartered November 3, 1978









President Jim rang the bell, John Flammang read the Invocation, Joe Murgalo led us in The Pledge of Allegiance, and Sue Masters did The Four Way Test.



After President Jim forgot, our 2 Song Meisters sang in honor of our special visitor, George Cohan! George remarked that Broadway George Cohan was from the rich side of the family!

Dr. Wendy reminded all of the Gift of Life Dinner at The Forest Country Club, October 28th.



New members were inducted and Past President Eileen was honored.





Mike Poff announced that needs help recording sale of poinsettias.

It's EZ Cash "presale" for this annual event starts NOW! From now until end of day September 4 we now have 3 specials! Tickets are \$50.00 each. Each ticket has the opportunity to win monthly \$100, \$250. and \$500!!



Alicia Miller, Our Mother's Home, gave us an update on this Maternity House that is one of the very few in the state.



Jimmy Buffet Creola

Creola in my soul-a I loved what they were sayin' I loved what they were playin' Creola

Creola on my victrola Makes me feel like dancin' Fall in love romancing the melody

dy Creola, Creola, Creola for me

I remember as a child all the happiness and smiles That flowed around my grandma's Sunday table While Auntie Mae was sayin' grace Papa T would sneak a taste And catch a funny look from my cousin Mabel

> Then daddy'd beat the drum The old folks start to hum Sing the only songs that we all know Ambiance so fine, dancin' drinkin' wine Sing about the lifestyle on the bayou

> > Creola in my soul-a I loved what they were sayin' I loved what they were playin' Creola

Creola on my victrola Makes me feel like dancin' Fall in love romancin' the melody Creola, Creola, Creola for me

It's in the mood, it's in the blood It's in the food, it's in the mud It's a spicy kind of life Cre-o-la

It's in the mood, it's in the blood It's in the food, it's in the mud Creola, Creola, Creola for me

Well the years have come and gone Still the old song lingers on I keep it in my heart with fond affection Like the family good luck charm That keeps away the harm Creola's always there for my protection

> Creola, good for your soul-a I loved what they were sayin' I loved what they were playin' Creola



50/50 Nope! \$1,402 1 Ace left



Joe's Corner



The Island of Maui has been devastated. We in our area have some understanding of what they are going through after the devastation caused by Hurricane Ian. Our Club Foundation has agreed to match any funds our members raise up to \$5000. If you want to help, please write a check made payable to the Foundation of the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs. Funds will go to the Rotary District 5000 Foundation, which has established a relief fund. You can visit <u>www.rotaryD5000.org</u> for additional information.

Upcoming Programs

September 7- Connor Peck FGCU Graduate from Dr. K's Entrepreneurial Department and owner of Pecks Bartending Service. September 14 - Mike Kelly, Vice President, Busi-

ness Development & Broadcasting, Florida Everblades, Estero, FL.

September 21- Dick Draffone, President of Collier-Lee Honor and the past president of the Illinois Crime Prevention Association. September 28 - Carl Lorezini -

President of Homewatch Services, Etc. LLC, Estero,

Birthdays

None

Rotary

Rotarians of The Month Chris Corrie - June Rex Sims—July

Carol Cayer—Áug Ruth Condit—Sept Adam Botana—Oct Brian Olitsky/Juan Teodoro– Nov Jim Horein, Dec John Flammang, Jan Jim Fitzpatrick, Feb Julie Pedretti, March Stefan Gehrold, April Meg Wendel, May



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e things we think, say, or do:

This Morning's Invocation



Almighty God, source of all goodness, we look to You for inspiration to challenge persecution and exploitation of our brothers and sisters. Conform us to Your will for all that You may want for a world in peace. Give us the strength, through our service, to transform division to unity and differences of opinion to Your will. In Your name we pray. Amen.



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