



President Jim Burger rang the bell. Mark Generales read the Invocation. Joe Murgalo led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. Mark led us in song You Are My Sunshine!

We came in 2nd!!! District 6960 - Annual Fund Contest is now over. TOP FIVE CLUBS each earned \$1000 of District Designated Funds for a Global Grant. The TOP FIVE CLUBS had the highest Annual Fund Per Capita giving from July 1, 2023, to January 31, 2024.

1. Rotary Club of Sarasota Southside \$1615
2. Rotary Club of Bonita Springs \$375
3. Rotary Club of Sarasota \$308.33
4. Rotary Club of Fort Myers South \$306.26
5. Rotary Club of Fort Myers Sunrise \$300.73



A "Thank You" letter was received from: The Gargiulo Education Center, For our \$3000 donation "Your help with the commitment to our success is truly remarkable. We have grown and continue to grow, not only in numbers but in the number of our children's academic successes. Thank you!" - The Board of Directors The Gargiulo Education Center



Mike Poff was named Rotarion of the Month!

The District 6960 is asking club members to collect school supplies for schools in our zone as part of the PETS service project. Our President-Elect - Joe Murgalo will take them to PETS in Orlando this year. Please collect and bring it to a meeting before February 29th. Supplies Needed: 12 packs of #2 pencils, 12 packs of colored pencils, 24 count crayons, 10 packs of ink pens, Loose-leaf paper (wide or college ruled), Composition notebooks, Block erasers, 8 or 10 pack of washable markers.



District Foundation Dinner: A Night of Hope, is on Sat, Feb 17th at The Plantation Golf and Country Club in Venice. Registration is still open on DACdb until February 12<sup>th</sup>.

I've Been Working On The Railroad



I've been working on the railroad  
All the livelong day  
I've been working on the railroad  
Just to pass the time away  
Can't you hear the whistle blowing?  
Rise up so early in the morn'  
Can't you hear the whistle blowing?  
Dinah, blow your horn

Dinah, won't you blow  
Dinah, won't you blow  
Dinah, won't you blow your horn  
Dinah, won't you blow  
Dinah, won't you blow  
Dinah, won't you blow your horn

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah  
Someone's in the kitchen, I know  
Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah  
Strumming on the old banjo

Fee-fi, fiddlee-aye-o  
Fee-fi, fiddlee-aye-o  
Fee-fi, fiddlee-aye-o  
Strumming on the old banjo

50/50





Joe's Corner



Invocation:

Heavenly Father, we come to you today asking for your guidance, wisdom, and support as we begin this meeting. Help us to engage in meaningful discussion; allow us to grow closer as a group and nurture the bonds of community. Fill us with your grace, Lord God, as we make decisions that might affect us and all those around us. And continue to remind us that all that we do here today, all that we accomplish, is for the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of You, and for the service of humanity. We ask these things in your name, Amen.

Upcoming Programs

- Feb 8—Snowtarians Meeting
- Feb 15— David Brown- Naples Council on International Affairs
- Feb 22— Steve McIntosh - Interact Members
- Feb 29— Aysegul Timur - President of FGCU

April 6th, Reverse Raffle SAVE THE DATE!

Birthdays

- Gary Price, Feb 9
- Jim Fitzpatrick, Feb 12
- Kevin Swanepole, Feb 12
- George Cohan, Feb 15
- Neil Anderson, Feb 20
- Suzanne Masters, Feb 22
- Dr. Steve McIntosh, Feb 25



Rotarians of The Month

- Rex Sims—July
- Angela Swanepoel—August
- Alan & Marjo White—September
- Julie Pedretti—October
- Eileen Tasso—November
- Larry Vars—December
- Mike Poff, January



2023-2024 Rotary International and Distict Leadership

Rotary International President

R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Scotland

District 6960 Governor

Alfred Current III, The Rotary Club of Englewood

Area 2 Assistant Governor

Jim Fabry, The Rotary Club of Bonita Naples

2021-2022 Club Officers

- President Jim Burger
- President-Elect Joe Murgalo
- Secretary Julie Pedretti
- Treasurer – Lynda Waterhouse
- Sergeant-at-Arms - Joe Murgalo
- Past President—Eileen Tasso

Members of the Board

Jim Burger, Eileen Tasso, Lynda Waterhouse, Julie Pedretti, Joe Murgalo

2021-2024

Donna Flammang, Jim Fitzpatrick, Mike Poff

2022-2025

Rob Cooper, Donna Marcotte, Ken Lahey

2023-2026

Wendy Arsenault, Stefan Gerhold, Bob Landy

Trustees of The Foundation

Chris Riesen, President; Gary Price, Secretary; Bob Lombardo, Treasurer; Steve McIntosh, Kae Moore, Eileen Tasso, Ron Anderson, Trustees

Rotary  **4 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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