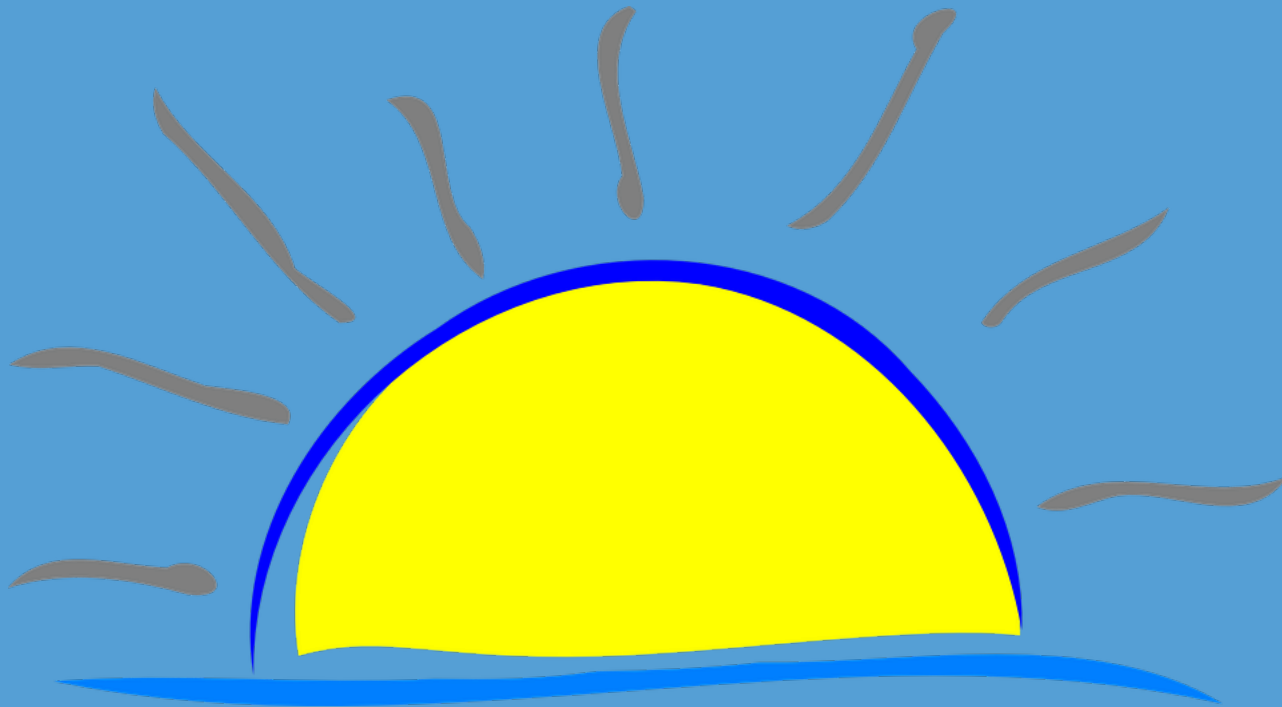




# Welcome to the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs





# New Member Orientation Bonita Springs Rotary





# Orientation Purpose

The purpose of this Orientation is to provide you with in-depth information about Rotary, the expectations and benefits of becoming an effective Rotarian.

Your sponsor and mentor will guide you through the internalization process and your personal Rotarian membership experience.

## New Member Folder Contents

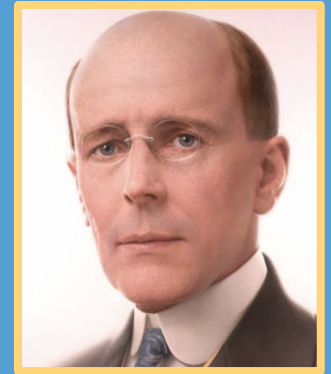
- The ABC's of Rotary
- You & Your Rotary Foundation
- 5 Avenues of Service
- New Member Checklist & Personal Facts
- List of Club Officers, Directors, and Committee Assignments
- Paul Harris Fellow Information





## In the beginning...

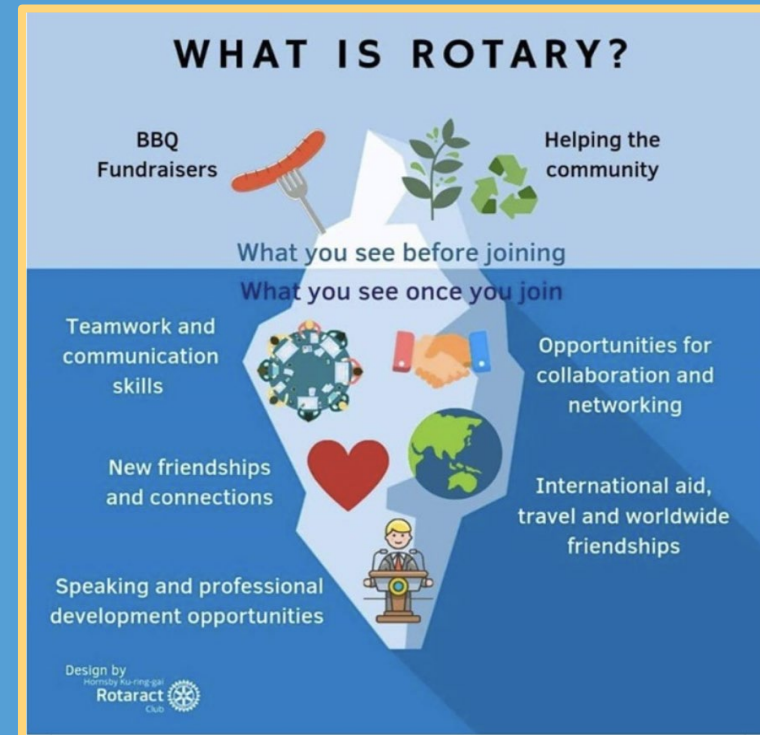
- The first Rotary Club was organized in Chicago in 1905, by Paul P. Harris.
- Harris persuaded several business associates to discuss forming an organization for local professionals.
- Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey met in rotation at the offices of the members – thus the name Rotary was created.
- There are approximately 1.4 million members in over 46,000 clubs globally addressing community needs.





# Rotary is ...

- Rotary became the **world's first service club**.
- Our motto is **"Service above Self"** Rotary recognized that fellowship alone would not keep a group together — there needed to be a defined purpose.
- The first service project was building **public restrooms in downtown Chicago, IL, USA**.

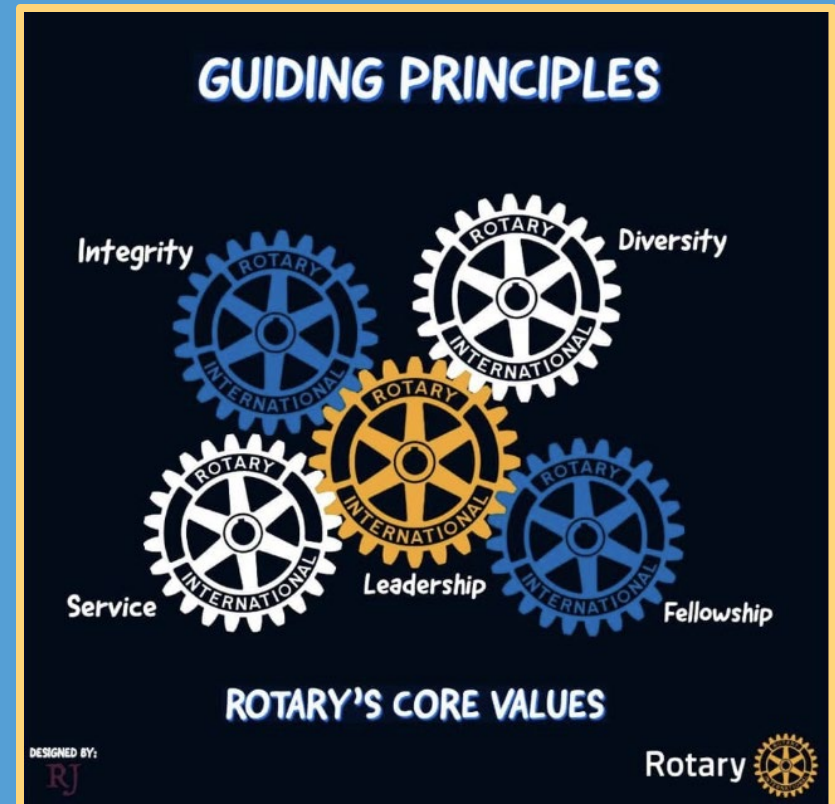






# Guiding Principles of Rotary

- The development of **acquaintance** as an **opportunity for service**
- High **ethical** standards: **worthiness** and **dignifying** of all occupations
- **Application of the ideal of service** to personal, business, and community life
- **Advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace** through a united fellowship





# Rotary Standard of Excellence

## *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?





# Five Avenues of Service

**Club Service** Rotarian involvement in programs to help make the Club successful.

**Vocational Service** Promoting the “ideal of service” throughout the business and professional world.

**Community Service** Urges Rotarians to participate in all activities that make the community a better place to live.

**New Generation Service** Recognizes the positive change by youth through leadership, involvement and international service projects.

**International Service** Encourages and fosters the advancement of understanding and good will among people of the world.







# Expanded Avenues of Service

**Club Service** Our Rotary Club Foundation makes charitable donations to projects and entities i.e., Gift of Life, Wheelchairs, Meals of Hope.

**Vocational Service** Service projects at local elementary schools. i.e., Josh the Otter presentations.

**Community Service** Making Bonita Springs a better place in which to live with community volunteering, reading and books. i.e., I Like Me.

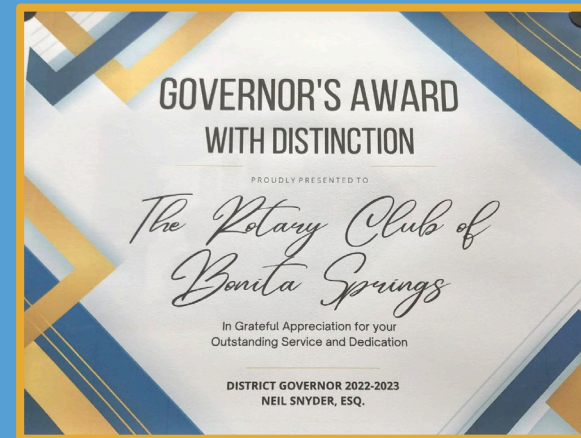
**New Generations** Bonita Springs and Estero High Schools Interact Clubs and Bonita Springs Elementary School Roto Kids teaches the value of service and commitment to one's community and humanity across the world.

**International Service** Exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding through fellowship, social events, and fundraisers.



# History of the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

- Our Rotary Club was chartered on November 3, 1978.
- Our 45 years of service continues to make an impact on the lives of our members and community.
- We currently have over 75 active and honorary members.
- We are actively involved with other clubs within our District.
- Our club has received numerous awards and recognition for our involvement in our Community, District and Rotary International.





# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

## New Rotarian Treasurer's Orientation

- Initiation Fee: \$150
- Club Dues: \$65/quarter
- Meals: \$25/meeting

Membership Type	Orientation	Dues/Quarter	Meetings&Meals/ quarter	Total / Quarter	
Active Member	\$ 150.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 377.50	
Family Membership (primary)	\$ 150.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 377.50	
Secondary	\$ 50.00	\$ 65.00	as attended	\$ 65.00	Meals as attended
Non-Profit (primary)	\$ 150.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 156.25	\$ 221.25	2 meals per month
Secondary	\$ 50.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 156.25	\$ 221.25	2 meals per month

- Social Events: As attended.



# Rotary Attendance & Participation

- **Weekly** attendance is encouraged.
- All members are encouraged to **join committees** to work on projects within their interests.
- All members are encouraged to **volunteer with fundraisers** and service projects. Invitations will be received through the online platform, Sign Up Genius
- All members are invited to attend monthly First Thursday Socials.
- Both the Club and Foundation Board Meetings are open for all club members to attend.





# Committees

2023-2024 The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs					
		<b>JIM BURGER</b> President			
		Executive Committee			
<b>JOE MURGALO</b> President Elect/Sgt Arms	<b>JULIE PEDRETTI</b> Secretary			<b>LYNDA WATERHOUSE</b> Treasurer	<b>EILEEN TASSO</b> Past President
Club Administration	Membership	Education	Service Projects	Fund Raising	Public Image
Board of Director Sponsor					
Lynda Waterhouse Joe Murgalo	Jim Fitzpatrick	Stefan Gerhold Bob Landy	Eileen Tasso Rob Cooper	Mike Poff Donna Flammang	Wendy Arsenault Donna Marcotte
Programs	Membership	Estero Interact	Service Projects	Boat Show	Website / Socaial Media
Ruth Condit	Jim Fitzpatrick	Dr Steve M	Angela Swanepoel	Bob Lombardo	Kelli Groom
	Julie Pedretti		Nancy Landy	Mark Generales	Donna Marcotte
	Chris Riesen	Bonita Spring Interact	Chris Reisen		
	Ruth Condit	Stefan Gerhold			
	Stefan Gerhold	Diane Ewing			
	Sue Masters	Sue Masters			
	Carol Cayer	Carol Cayer			
	Nancy Landy				
Attendance	Socials	Youth Leadership (S4TL, RYLA, RYE)	CART	Reverse Raffle	Communication / PR / Spoke
Eileen Tasso	Lynda Waterhouse	Diane Ewing	Tom Briers	Mike Poff	Donna Marcotte
Welcome Desk	Snowtarians (Rotary Regulars)	Literacy 4 Club Project	Wheelchairs	Poinsettias	Community Outreach (SWFL Hub)
	Diane Ewing	Rob Cooper	Chris Riesen	Mike Poff	Kelli Groom
Song leader/Generales	Orientations	Student Teacher of the month	Polio	Christmas Trees	
Mark Generales	Julie Pedretti	Steve McIntosh	Bob Lombardo	Kae Moore	
Meg Wendel	Lynda Waterhouse	Jim Horein	Liz Shanks	GT	
	Jim Burger				
Rotary Foundation/PH	Rotary Regulars	I like Me Books	Gift of Life	EZ Cash	
Bob Lombardo	Diane Ewing	Steve McIntosh	Wendy Arsenault	Chris Reisen	
Sign UP Genius		Scholarship Process/selection		50/50	
Lynda Waterhouse		Steve McIntosh		Bob Landy	
		Joe Murgalo			
Disaster Coordinator		Josh the Otter		Beer Sales	
Chris Reisen		Eileen Tasso		Wendy Aresnault	
John Flammang		Diane Ewing		Kae Moore	
		Angela Swanepoel		GT	
		Carol Cayer			
Grants					
Eileen Tasso					
Julie Pedretti					





# Fundraising Activities

- **Reverse Raffle:** Members are encouraged to support this event by purchasing or selling 3 tickets. Tickets are \$175 each and provide admission for two people (dinner, open bar, entertainment).
- **Lovers Key Nautical Market and Boat Show:** This is a fundraising partnership with the Friends of Lovers Key. Volunteer Opportunities.
- **Christmas Tree Sales:** Purchase and sell trees, wreaths etc. Typically, this is an event that lasts about 2 weeks. Members are asked to volunteer for at least 3 shifts.
- **Poinsettia Sale:** Purchase and sell poinsettias. Volunteer opportunities.
- **EZ Cash Drawing:** Purchase and sell EZ-cash tickets.
- **Beer Sales:** Our club sells beer and wine at several local events each year. Great volunteer opportunities and beyond!



Who we  
support

## The Foundation of the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs Giving Report 2022 - 2023

TOTAL GIVEN **\$143,520**

### FEEDING THE NEEDY

MEALS OF HOPE

20K

CAFE OF LIFE

10K

FK INC.

10K

### SUPPORTING THE YOUTH OF THE COMMUNITY

BONITA SPRINGS  
ELEMENTARY

4.2K

YMCA

5K

"I LIKE ME" BOOKS  
LOCAL SCHOOLS

2.82K

WONDER  
GARDENS

5K

BSHS  
HOSA

1K

SCHOLARSHIPS  
BONITA SPRINGS & ESTERO HS

36.5K

NEW HORIZONS

2K

### SUPPORTING COMMUNITY EFFORTS

WOUNDED  
WARRIORS COLLIER  
COUNTY

5K

SALVATION  
ARMY

5K

FT MYERS BEACH  
STRONG

5K

CENTER FOR THE  
ARTS BONITA  
SPRINGS

5K

BONITA SPRINGS  
ASSISTANCE  
OFFICE

10K

### INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS

WHEELCHAIR FOUNDATION

5K

GIFT OF LIFE

5K

### Rotary Club Partnerships

Bonita Naples

5K

Estero RC

2K

[bonitaspringsrotary.org](http://bonitaspringsrotary.org)



# Rotary Communication

- Club Bulletin – The Spoke emailed to all members weekly
- District Newsletter—You will receive a monthly newsletter from District Governor.
- The Rotarian Magazine- Subscription is included with your membership dues
- **Websites:**
  - Rotary Club of Bonita Springs: <https://bonitaspringsrotary.org/>
    - Password: inspiration
  - DACdb: [DACdb.com](http://DACdb.com)
  - Rotary International: <https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary>
  - Rotary Foundation: <https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/rotary-foundation>
  - Rotary District 6960: <https://www.rotarydistrict6960.org/>
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/myrotary/>



# 2023-2024 Rotary International & District 6960 Officers

## **Rotary International President**

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

## **District 6960 Governor**

Alfred Current III, The Rotary Club of Englewood

## **District Governor Nominee**

Kelsey Mitchell, Rotary Club of Bonita Beach Sunset

## **Area 2 Assistant Governor**

Jim Fabry, The Rotary Club of Bonita Naples





# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

## 2023-2024 Leadership

- President – Jim Burger
- Past President – Eileen Tasso
- President Elect – Joe Murgalo
- Secretary – Julie Pedretti
- Treasurer – Lynda Waterhouse
- Directors –

### **Members of the Board**

Jim Burger, Joe Murgalo, Julie Pedretti, Lynda Waterhouse

### **2021-2024**

Donna Flammang, Jim Fitzpatrick, Mike Poff

### **2022-2025**

Rob Cooper, Donna Marcotte, Ken Lahey

### **2020-2023**

Wendy Arsenault, Stefan Gehrold, Bob Landy

- A new board is elected to take office on July 1st of each year
- All club officer positions are one-year terms that begin on July 1
- All Director positions are alternating three-year terms.
- Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at Hodges Life Center, 26052 Tamiami Tr S., Bonita Springs, FL 34134.





# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs Foundation

## **Trustees of The Foundation**

Christopher L Riesen, President

Gary Price, Secretary

Bob Lombardo, Treasurer

Ron Anderson, Steve McIntosh, Kae Moore, Eileen Tasso

## **Purpose of the foundation:**

*The Foundation is organized to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as adopted by the Foundation Board of Trustees.*

Foundation meetings are open to all club members and are held every third Monday at 4pm.

**Location:** Bonita Springs offices of Henderson, Franklin, Starnes, & Holt, P.A., Bonita Bay Executive Center, 3451 Bonita Bay Blvd., Suite 206, Bonita Springs, FL 34134



# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs Foundation

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of The Foundation of The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs is to distribute funds provided by the club and alternate donations through an application and evaluation process to local, regional, national and international charities.

In addition, a special Scholarship Fund has been established to fund Scholarships that are awarded High School Seniors in the local community each year. These Seniors are selected by a Scholarship Committee comprised of club members based on a criteria established by the committee.

## **STRUCTURE**

The Foundation of The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs is a 501(c)(3) entity managed by seven club members elected as Trustees, that serve three-year terms, that can be extended to an additional three years by vote of the club..

A selection committee to fill Foundation positions is comprised of the past Club President who chairs the committee and two members who do not hold club office chosen by the Chair. The committee selects candidates from club members. The club votes to elect the Trustees from the candidates presented and club members who wish to be considered.

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The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs  
meets every Thursday @ 7:00am

Spring Run Golf Course

9501 Spring Run Blvd,

Bonita Springs FL 34135

All Rotarians and visitors are welcome to join us!

