



President Joe rang the bell and announced the meet and greet. Eileen read The Invocation. Sgt at Arms, Bob Lombardo led us in The Pledge of Allegiance and Stefan Larry Vars did The 4 Way Test.

Mark led us in song!

Larry talked about his new book!



Chris gave an update on the Foundation giving which was then emailed to all members!



Our speaker Tina Mercep, Secretary General of the IDU, amazed us with her knowledge and background!



Estero HS Interact will be collecting frames from glasses that are not being used as a part of their international project. They will be sending them to Columbia for underprivileged families. They will also take any clothing or toiletries and will give to the local homeless when they distribute their weekly bag lunches.



And finally, the best party of the year, thanks to the Waterhouse family!



Rotary Sings:

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a happy new year

Good tidings we bring
To you and your kin
Good tidings for Christmas
And a happy new year

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a happy new year

Now bring us a figgy pudding
Now bring us a figgy pudding
Now bring us a figgy pudding
And bring some out here

Good tidings we bring
To you and your kin
Good tidings for Christmas
And a happy new year

For we all like figgy pudding
For we all like figgy pudding
For we all like figgy pudding
So bring some out here

Good tidings we bring
To you and your kin
Good tidings for Christmas
And a happy new year

Good tidings we bring
To you and your kin
Good tidings for Christmas
And a happy new year



Julie got \$100!!

50/50

\$1,312.50



Wrapping gifts for homeless children!



Birthdays

Kelli Groom, 12/16
Jan Hildebrandt, 12/16
Carl Nickel, 12/22
Bob Langhans, 12/29
Vince Modarelli, 12/30



Upcoming Programs

12/19—David Houlette, Lt. Col. USMC
12/28—MERRY CHRISTMAS—no meeting
1/2— tbd
1/9—Stefan Gehrold
1/16 -J. Dudley Goodlette, Member of Florida House, 1999-2007, most of Collier County, “Bush v. Gore, 2000
1/23—Ralph Oakley. Former CEO of Quincy Media, Quincy IL.
1/30 “Introducing Bonita Springs Assistance Office Leadership; Darcy Eikenberg, Cindy Cedeno and Caily Martin.”

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
Mark G. & Meg W.—February
Dr. Robert Landy—March
Donna Marcotte—April
Dr. Steve McIntosh—May
Michelle Matuszak—August
Vince Modarelli—September



Invocation: Let us pray....

Almighty God,
We are in awe
of your magnificent
power displayed through

the entire universe, for through you all things were made and all things have their being. We come before you with grateful thanks and with hearts that long to adore you and worship only you. Lord, may we know the presence of the Holy Spirit here with us today. May we be open to your leading, sensitive to you speaking and alert to your calling. Lord, we declare that you are welcome here amongst us. Amen.



2024-2025 Rotary International and District Leadership

Rotary International President

Stephanie Urchick, Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania

District 6960 Governor

Kelsey Mitchell, The Rotary Club of Bonita Sunset

Area 2 Assistant Governor

Dee Fabry, The Rotary Club of Bonita Naples

2024-2025 Club Officers

President Joe Murgalo
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Secretary Kelli Groom
Treasurer – Lynda Waterhouse
Sergeant-at-Arms - Bob Lombardo
Past President—Jim Burger

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Jim Burger, Lynda Waterhouse, Julie Pedretti,
Joe Murgalo, Kelli Groom

2022-2025

Dr. Steve McIntosh, Donna Marcotte

2023-2026

Wendy Arsenault, Stefan Gerhold, Bob Landy,

2024—2027

Angela Swanepoel, Mike Poff, Jim Fitzpatrick

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Chris Riesen, President; Gary Price, Secretary; Bob Lombardo, Treasurer; Jim Burger, 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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