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Bonita Springs Rotary - President Julie's Mini-Spoke, March 10 - Raffle with a Twist ticket stubs, cash & checks must be turned in Thursday

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Dear Patricia,

URGENT DEADLINE - You MUST turn in your *Raffle with a Twist* ticket stubs (you want to win \$10,000, right?!?) **and your cash/checks to Jim Horein on Thursday.** Joe Murgalo must provide the head count to our caterer on Friday, March 13. If you or any of your guests originally planned to attend the event on March 21 and no longer can attend, please let Jim Horein know immediately. If we pay for meals that no one uses, we are needlessly cutting into our fundraising profits. Also, **all raffle and auction items must be turned in to Wendy Arsenault.** No items will be accepted after the meeting.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR NEW CLUB MEMBERS: Every Club member received 3 tickets from Jim Horein (each ticket for \$195 admits two people/a couple to the event for dinner and open bar) and is expected to sell the tickets to family, friends and neighbors. Tickets to attend **MUST** be purchased in advance. No tickets to attend will be sold at the door.

Upcoming Programs (Steve Sims, March Speaker Chair)

- March 12: Lee County Schools K9 Program (Chris Riesen)
- March 19: FGCU President – Dr. Aysegul Timur (Dr. Steve McIntosh)
- March 26: Wheelchair Foundation - Regional Director (Chris Riesen)

April Programs (Stefan Gehroid, Speaker Chair)

- April 2: Michael C. Maibach, Trustee & Managing Director, James Wilson Institute
- April 9: Dr. John Colman, Professor of Politics, Political Science Department, Ave Maria University
- April 16: Hon. Kyle S. Cohen, Judge, Unified Family Court in Collier County
- April 23: Club Assembly (with Strategic Planning presentation by Lynda Waterhouse and Education Update from Dr. Steve McIntosh)
- April 30: TBD

First Thursday Social Calendar:

- **April 2:** Location: Good Days Adolescent Development Center, [17640 S. Tamiami Trail, Suite 309, Ft. Myers, FL 33908](#). **Host:** Lisa Rozanski
- **May 7:** Location: Vichino's, [25987 S. Tamiami Trl, Bonita Springs](#). **Host:** Bob Lombardo
- **June 4:** Location: Ceremony Brewing, [10441 Packinghouse Ln. Bonita Springs](#). Hosts: GT & Eileen Tasso

Fundraisers – We Need Support From Every Club Member

CART – Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust: On Thursday, bring in your jars with coins (or

just your coins you've collected) and give them to Angela. She will distribute jars to some of our newer Club members. Let's make a big push to demonstrate our Rotary Club's support of Alzheimer's research initiatives. See link: <https://www.cartfund.org/>

Everblades Hockey Game: Invite friends to join you for the next game **Wednesday, March 25**, with the Everblades vs. Savannah. Game starts at 7:30 pm. Use this link to buy tickets to the Rotary/Blades fundraiser games.

[Florida Everblades - Powered by Spinzo](#)

Only \$35/ticket for premium seats. Some games offer special beer & hot dog prices. Invite family, friends and neighbors. Go Blades and Go Rotary! Last game:

- Friday, April 10, 7:30 p.m. South Carolina

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Celebrate Bonita, Saturday, March 28, at Riverside Park. Our Club has again been invited to serve beer at the event. Sign up today to volunteer to set up, check IDs, sell tickets, pour beer and clean up/tear down.

Community Service/Outreach:

Still NEED old/used backpacks, reusable grocery bags and other bags: Bags are needed for those who bicycle or walk to the Meals of Hope distribution at St. Mary's on Monday afternoons. Please give to Angela.

Upcoming District Events:

Join a Rotary Mission Trip to Honduras: Former Club member Ken Lahey, now a member of the Sarasota Rotary Club, is leading a mission trip to Honduras from **March 22 to 25**. Other Rotarians are invited to join them. Cost: About \$700, including airfare. Meeting with a Rotary Club in Honduras and will be assisting on small projects, including a pedestrian bridge project, led by the Toledo Club. Contact Ken at klahey@aol.com or 231.740.3936.

The Rotary Club of Bonita Naples: Recently launched their second annual Pints With a Purpose fundraiser, which aims to support local businesses, give back to the community, and encourages socializing. Each year focuses on a different Area of Focus, with beneficiaries being organizations that work in that year's focus. Last year's theme was the Environment, and this year's theme is Maternal & Child Health. With the purchase of one "Pints With a Purpose" glass, supporters receive one free pint of beer at each of the 6 participating breweries (exclusions may apply) and can be redeemed throughout 2026. Upcoming events run from 6:00-8:00 pm:

- 3/11 - Brass Tap in Bonita Springs
- 3/25 - Palm City Brewing Co. in Fort Myers Event

Details can be found at <https://www.bonitanaplesrotary.com/>

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves. "Our projects bring together people of all races, religions, genders, ideologies and economic backgrounds, uniting us in a shared purpose to **do good in the world**. Let's build a Rotary that **unites for good** and ensures a brighter future for all."

Julie

Julie Pedretti, President, Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

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