



Rotary Club
of Bonita Naples

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Club Meeting

Bonita Naples
Meets at Artichoke & Company -
11920 Saradrienne Ln, Bonita
Springs, FL 34135
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Bonita Springs, FL 34135
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Club Leaders



James F. Fabry
President



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Club Director



Linda Lee Dworkin
Club Director



John G. Wharton
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Kenneth Strumm
Club Director



Stephen C. Agius
Membership Chair



Kim Scott Anderson
Sergeant-at-Arms

Events and Speakers

Meeting Minutes October 1, 2020 Zoom

Link to video recording of meeting:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/s32tre5z6i196cn/October%201_2020%20Zoom%20Meting.mov?dl=0

Greeting and social minutes from 11:45 to noon- Jim and Bob B

Attendees: Jim F., Dee F., Bob B., Lin D., Barb M., Dick B., Kim A., Tam M., Sam B., Betty Jean, Sonny G., Joanne Z., Ken S., Al R., Art N., Prinya S., Mike P., Mike R., Janet D., Don B., Dave M., Mike T., Ally M., Rob G., Cindy H., Don C., Dhruv B.

Guest: Anne Matthews, Sofie, Lilly and Zekee

Open Meeting at Noon ♦ Jim

Invocation ♦ Dee

Pledge of Allegiance ♦ Bob B

Health and Welfare information- Dave is with us and looking good. Mark said Marilyn has had a tough week. She has more appointments.

District News:

- RLI parts 1, 2, 3 and graduate courses October 17th 2020 at the Port Charlotte, FL Cultural Center. Sign up at DACdb or send request to Jim.

Birthdays in October:

Anne Bolger Oct 10th
Stu Stern Oct 12th
Tam Mustapha Oct 17th
Phil Roach Oct 17th

Member Club Anniversary:

Campbell Gault 16 years

Wedding Anniversaries:

Mark Ackerman Oct 2nd



Cindy J. Cedeno
Past President
Rotary Foundation
Chair



Gary S. Dworkin
Past President



Gerard M. Sola
Area Governor

Account Leaders

Darryl Keys
District Governor

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DG-Elect

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DG-Nominee

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Area Governor Area 2

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Area Governor Area 3

Suzanne Vasbinder
Area Governor Area 4

Fred H. Koble
Area Governor Area 5

Dennis Wallace
Area Governor Area 6

James Hinck
Area Governor Area 7

Doug Smoot
Area Governor Area 8

Susan Courter
Area Governor Area 9

Jane L. Goble
District Executive Secretary

Alfred C. Current III
District Rotary Foundation Chair

Joe Desimone Oct 14th

Learning Opportunity of the day: End Polio Now

Show End Polio Video ❖ This is a Story ❖

The month of October is Polio awareness month and October 24th is International Polio Day.

Bob introduced Dr. Anne Matthews, a highly accomplished speaker and Rotarian. She has held many positions in Rotary including a RI Trustee. She has participated in many polio vaccination days in India.

Anne Mathews, Rotary International End Polio Now Task Force Chair. October End Polio Now Task Force Chair.

We have seven areas of focus in the RI Foundation. The Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation are intricately connected. Rotary is known because of our integrity: Respect, credibility and integrity. Because of the projects, global grants, and community involvement people like Bill Gates trust us to be careful with their funds. Rotary provides opportunities to those who need help.

The Rotary Foundation last year was given \$4,800,000 million from its membership. I Chair the Rotary International End Polio Now Task Force. Janet B. is on this task force. We advocate in Washington, D.C for continued funding. The US government is the largest sector supporter for polio.

We still have the wild polio virus in Pakistan and Afghanistan. It is challenging to get to all the children for multiple reasons.

Our government has given \$3.7 billion as of 2019-20 to help us eradicate polio. However, we have 50 additional countries who also have given funds. Our government gives \$236 million towards addressing this issue globally.

The Bill Gates Foundation gives us a 2 for 1 match.

The US Rotarian \$387 million to fund polio eradication efforts.

All told we have \$17 billion over the years.

Polio is bipartisan. We ask everyone for help.

It is projected that down the road when we do eradicate it, we will have contributed over \$2.7 billion to eradicate this disease.

The polio infrastructure has set up laboratories. This same infrastructure we vaccinate for multiple other infectious diseases. We are also helping to eradicate other disease. The labs belong to the countries.

Africa was certified polio free. It was a long-time coming. WHO does the certification.

This is one of our greatest legacies.

Basic education and literacy ❖ September was Basic Education and Literacy Month.

One more topic: Literacy more than anything else is the escape hatch from poverty. Literacy is the first step in eliminating most problems. The more educated, the more literate we are, the better we are able to solve problems.

A few thoughts:

- We have over 775 million over the age of 15 who are illiterate. 17% of the world's population are illiterate.
- 58 million children world-wide were out of school (before the pandemic)
- Even after 4 years of a primary education 250 million students cannot read or write
- An educated mother means a healthier child
- Please continue to work in your community to give students the opportunity to read
- **The greatest predictor of your health is your level of literacy.**

Bonita Naples Rotary Club End Polio Now October Fundraiser. ♦ Jim show fundraiser slides

For every \$100 donated to the Rotary International Foundation you will receive a gold coin commemorating the polio vaccine.

Happy/Sad Dollars ♦ Led by **Kim Anderson**

Janet ♦ I have \$75.00. I am thrilled that Anne is with us. Today is my daughter's birthday, my other daughter's is also this week and Saturday is my husband's and mine 50th wedding anniversary.

Bob ♦ I have \$5 for all Rotarians who will help us build the boxes at the YMCA.

Tam ♦ October is my birthday and I will send \$100.

Sam ♦ I am officially retired!

Dhruv ♦ I have 20 happy dollars ♦ we completed a project.

4 Way Test - Mark

Adjourn