



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

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Events and Speakers

January 8, 2020

The Holiday Party was held Wednesday, January 8 at Campbell Gault's The Stage. Twenty-three members of the club enjoyed the evening of fellowship, good food, and the vocalizations of the cover band - The Jersey Boyz. Campbell provided appetizers and served us himself! The dance floor vibrated with Rotarians showing off their dance moves. Thanks to all who attended and enjoy the photos of the evening.



January 9, 2020

President Gary called the meeting to order and welcomed our visitors Janet Di PDG from N.Y. and Rotarian of 45 years Ken from Staten Island and later we were joined by Ernie Lewis PDG from Connecticut. Members Attending: Don B., Sam B., Dick B., Anne B., Bob Bornstein, Cindy C., Don C., Joe D., Gary D., Jim F., Campbell G., Rob G., Cindy H., Scott H., Chris M., Tam M., Mike P., Phil R., Mike R., Ken S., John W., and Joanne Z.

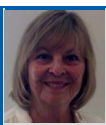
Guests: Brian Alosi, Dave McKee, Janet DiBenedato (PDG), Ken Decker, Pete Whalen, Jeff Muddel, Ernie Lewis (PDG)

Gary talked about Steve A's heart operation this morning and asked for a minute for everyone to pray for Steve's speedy recovery. We all wish Steve the best. Steve will be recuperating at home for a few days. His sister and Janet will provide exceptional support during his recovery.

After a brief intermission the meeting continued at 12:21.

Announcements:

Joanne talked about the Seering fund which our club supports with \$2000 annually for educating children from Nepal. She passed around the card and the key chain she received from them. The card was made from the barks of the trees from Nepal mountain side and the letter was a thank you note which she read.



Betty Jean Christensen
Youth Services Chair



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Sergeant at Arms – Rob G.

Happy/Sad dollars

- **PDG Ernie** to be happy to be at this club and Janet likewise (Tam has known them from the northeast for the last several years).
- Campbell was happy for last evening's party and was glad everyone had a good time
- **Dick B** reminded everyone that attended the Holiday Party that if they did not pay him at the party to get their checks to him so he can pay Campbell for dinner as well as to keep up with all the financial obligation of the members to the club. Current dues are going out this week to all members.
- **Don (#1)** is happy his busy season is over and he can be back now to the club. **Mike P** said that its not bad to work 3 months of the year and relax for 9 months !
- **Phil** continued on his ancestral dialogue.
- **Cindy H** is happy her title company was bought out by another and as an employee now she can have regular hours and no aggravations.
- Several members did pay for last night's dinner
- **Mike P** took his conservative older sister and brother in-law to the "Book of Mormon" and he is going to harass them again by taking them to The Keys.
- **Anne B.** is happy to be back from Chicago.
- Our speaker friend (Pete) contributed to the Happy dollars because he said being brought up a Catholic he had to pay whenever a hat passes by!
- **Gary** gave the Rotary Banner he received while in Hamburg in last June (he should have to pay a fine of at least \$7 for the 7 months he kept it).
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Our speaker was **Jeff Muddell** who was a GSE team member to Melbourne, Australia years ago (after he came back no one in Rotary ever asked him to join Rotary!) and he is now member of a Kiwanis Club! He is a survivor of testicular cancer at age 40 and he told his story and how to be aware of lump in testicles and how it effects young men from 15-40 and how easily curable it is when caught early and how deadly it is if it had spread to other parts of the body. Thanks to modern medicine now it can be treated successfully. Since his disease was detected in 2015 he has dedicated himself to make the information to the public and also running Marathons and raising funds, He wants to be the first one to run all the 6 major marathons.

Tam had the winning number but did not pull the joker and hence the pot grows. He led in the 4 way test and meeting was adjourned.

Thanks to Tam for taking notes at the meeting as Dee was with Janet at the hospital.

Gary and Jim delivered 2 Wheelchairs to the Everglades Wonder Gardens from Bonita Naples Rotary Club to assist special needs



individuals in navigating the Wonder Gardens. Our club gave them 2 wheelchairs 5 years ago and we will be refurbishing them so the Wonder Gardens will have 4 total usable wheelchairs.

Meeting Pictures:

