



**Rotary Club**  
of Bonita Naples

# Rotasphere

## Club Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 886 4198 9158

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## Club Leaders



James F. Fabry  
President



John G. Wharton  
President-Elect  
Public Relations Chair



Dee Fabry  
Secretary



Dixon W. Blevins  
Treasurer



Sam Black  
Club Director



Linda Lee Dworkin  
Club Director



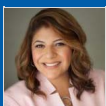
Kenneth Strumm  
Club Director



Stephen C. Agius  
Membership Chair



Kim Scott Anderson  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Cindy J. Cedeno  
Past President  
Rotary Foundation  
Chair

## Events and Speakers

### Meeting Minutes March 11, 2021 Face to Face and Zoom

**Greeting and social minutes from 11:45 to noon- Gary**

**Open Meeting at Noon ♦ Jim**

**Artichoke Attendees:** Jim, Dee, Gary, Lin, John, Bob B., Steve A., Dick, Don C., Sonny, Cindy H., Angel, Ken, Phil, Art, Janet, and Tam **(17 total face to face)**

**Zoom Attendees:** Sam, Chris, Ally, Prinya, Mark, Joanne, Terry, Barb, Al, Frank P, Betty Jean, Cindy C. **Did we miss any?**

**Guests:** Charlie Minton PDG (Happy Birthday!), Brad Robinson, Katie Johnson

**Invocation ♦ Dee**

**Pledge of Allegiance ♦ Ken**

### Club News:

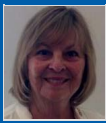
1. Club Assembly scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup>. Committee chairs be ready to talk about your committee.

2. **February Rotarian of the Month ♦ Steve Agius ♦** In addition to his ongoing commitment to Gift of Life and Wheelchair, Steve serves as a Discussion Leader for RLI. This year he has added Rotary Works to his impressive list of service as a Rotarian. Thank you, Steve for setting such a solid example.



### District News:

1. **Infinite Possibilities ♦ Diversity, Equity and Inclusion ♦ March 26, 2021**
  - a. **Guest Speaker Xavier Ramey**
2. **St Patrick ♦s Day Holiday Bingo Fund Raiser March 16, 2021**



**Betty Jean Christensen**  
Youth Services Chair



**Gary S. Dworkin**  
iPast President



**Gerard M. Sola**  
Area Governor

## Account Leaders

Darryl Keys  
District Governor

Andrew Lyman  
DG-Elect

Neil E. Snyder  
DG-Nominee

Alison Charney Hussey  
District Membership Chair

Traci Hamill  
District Public Image Chair

Donald H. Snyder Jr.  
District Treasurer

Louis S. Auricchio  
District Secretary

Belynda Williams  
Area Governor Area 1

Gerard M. Sola  
Area Governor Area 2

Tracie Bagans  
Area Governor Area 3

Suzanne Vasbinder  
Area Governor Area 4

Fred H. Kobie  
Area Governor Area 5

Dennis Wallace  
Area Governor Area 6

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

## Learning Opportunity of the day: Introduced by Bob B

**Katie Johnson** ♦ Conservancy of Southwest Florida - [katief@conservancy.org](mailto:katief@conservancy.org)



The Conservancy of SW Florida is a leading environmental advocacy group focusing on wildlife rescue and rehabilitation, environmental education, science and research and policy and advocacy. [Home - Conservancy of Southwest Florida](https://www.conservancy.org)  
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The von Arx Wildlife Hospital rehabilitated over 4,300 in 2020. The goal is to rescue, rehabilitate, and release back into the wild. In 2020 193 pelicans were rescued. They are very susceptible to red tide challenges. They also saw an unexplainable uptick in Royal Terns needing help. Wildlife also comes into the hospital from attacks by people's pets.

The Science and Research Team are experts in sea turtles saving over 300,000 hatchlings. Since only 1 in 1,000 turtles make it to adult the intervention of the Conservancy is critical to their survival. It takes 20 years for a sea turtle to reach adulthood.

Another area of need is the removal of invasive species such as the Burmese python. Over 12,000 pounds of pythons were removed in 2020 as well as developing eggs. The Policy and Advocacy Team addresses such issues as water quality, red tide and coastal wetlands. It encourages the implementation of Florida friendly landscaping. What can you do?

Volunteer. The facility is open 365 days a year and needs at least 14 volunteers per day.

Become a member of the Conservancy of SW Florida.

Enjoy nature from a safe distance.

Donate items from the Amazon Wish List.

**Happy Sad Dollars** ♦ **Dick** ♦ **Acting Sergeant-at-Arms**

**Dee** ♦ Happy Don C. is joining us Friday at RotaKids YMCA.

**Phil** ♦ Happy to be back in person. Had a Zoom trail and won the case. Daughter is coming for RYLA.

**Sam** ♦ Jonnie did OK with chemo this week.

**Betty Jean** ♦ Wilson and Betty Jean received 2<sup>nd</sup> CO-VID vaccinations

**Dave M.** ♦ Got his second vaccination

**Mark** ♦ Matched Dave, raised that money and challenged anyone else to match it.

**Dick** ♦ Fined himself for the cell phone interruption and Art

**Ken** ♦ Forgot it was Thursday last week and missed the meeting

**John** ♦ Matched Mark's challenge.

**Gary** ♦ Thrilled to be back in person

**Sonny** - Happy to be a Rotarian

**Jim** ♦ Happy to have Gary back

**Janet** ♦ Shout out to Charlie - Happy Birthday

**Art** ♦ Various sports teams in the basketball tournament

**Betty Jean** ♦ Phil's daughter is coming in for RYLA

**Bob B.** ♦ Good to see you all here. Speakers will mostly be in person from now on. Come join us live!

**Steve A.** ♦ Happy we have more people than last week in person. Very happy to be recognized by fellow Rotarians.

**Angel** ♦ Happy to be here in person. Saturday is a free family day at the YMA. Come join us. The Community Fundraiser is starting March 15 to raise funds for summer camp.

4-Way Test ♦ Sonny  
Meeting Adjourned

**Our speaker next week is: Beth Housewert - Children's Museum of Naples.**

This week's Pictures:

