

Rotary



Club of Bonita Naples

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September 26, 2019

President Gary called the meeting to order at 12 noon. Steve provided the invocation and Stuart lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Steve A, Kim A, Don B. (Chicago Don 1), Sam B, Dick B, Anne B, Bob B., Cindy C., Gary D, Lin D, Dee F, Jim F, Campbell C, Joe G., Rob G, Sonny G, Cindy H., Scott H, Dave M., Chris M, Tam M, Art N, Phil R, Stuart, Ken S, John W, Joanne Z.

Steve announced that he would pass the bucket one final time for any donations for the Bahamas. These will be added to the total count after lunch. Lunch and fellowship was enjoyed. The business meeting commenced.

Announcements:

1. **Steve** shared the club members' donations totaled \$6564. He will add the remaining \$436 for a grand total of \$7,000. Steve thanked everyone who contributed and mentioned Don B. Tam, Sonny, Ken and Tam's secret admirer for their generosity. The money will be wired shortly.



2. **Bonita Fest Committee** Sam shook her pompoms and led us in a F-E-S-T cheer. We have \$8,000 in sponsorships with a goal of \$20,000. She urged everyone to get moving and find sponsors. When you do, send Sam an e-mail. She then passed her pompoms to Scott for next week as she will be attending a conference.

3. **Club Raffle** We have the prizes and the tickets are being printed. More to come next week.

District Update Cindy C. shared that your Rotary Foundation contributions makes a difference. Your funds matter. More importantly, your heart matters. Rotarians have big hearts and care. Our District 6960 clubs submitted grant requests for \$194,000 to help offset 63 projects totaling over \$600,000. Every heart counts. Every dollar matters. Every hands-on effort is essential. Every Rotarian, every year. Thank you.

Dates and Reminders:





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Assistant Governor

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Speakers

August 08, 2019

[Jon McLeod](#)
District Happenings

August 15, 2019

[Rachael Busch](#)

August 22, 2019

[Eryka Aptaker](#)

Events and Speakers

August 8th

Speaker is John McLeod

Speaker: Jon McLeod

Subject: District Happenings

August 15th

Rachel Busch from Cignent

Speaker: Rachael Busch

August 22nd

Speaker Eryka Aptaker

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Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

October 4 is Dictionary Day.

Dictionaries are given to each third grader in Lee and Collier Counties. Joanne, Rotary Captain Bonita Springs Charter School, asked the Bonita Springs Charter School volunteers to meet at 8:30 AM in the school office lobby. The new VP, Jamie Kirschner will meet the group there. We are not sure how the Spanish dictionary replacements are being handled, but just know that some had damaged spines and will need to be replaced. Replacements were sent to the district by the manufacturer. Joanne stated that Betty Jean has procured dictionaries for the RotaKids Club, too.

Joe G. is the Rotary Captain for Spring Creek Elementary School.



InterAct Club at Gulf Coast High:

October 24 is Pints for Polio in collaboration with the morning club which is a blood drive. You can buy the other kinds of pints afterward. The event will be held at the Bonehook Brewery on Immokalee Road **November 4** ♦ Wheelchair Dinner. As we shared in last week ♦'s newsletter, the club is experimenting with a variety of fundraisers this year. Gary and Lin Dworkin are generously hosting a dinner in their home on November 4, called The Fellowship of the Wheel Dinner. All proceeds and donations from this event will go directly to the Wheelchair Foundation.

This is technically NOT a club sponsored event (it is a hybrid-Club/Personal member fundraiser). However, if you would like to support this event here are some options:

1. Purchase a ticket to the dinner and silent auction. Each ticket is \$100.
2. Silent Auction Items #1: We are creating a variety of gift baskets including an Italian-themed, an Italian wine selection (Brunello, Vin Nobile, and Chianti Reserva), a fine bottle of tequila, and others. If you want to sponsor one of these baskets, we will share the retail cost with you at a future meeting. Write a check and your name will be on the basket as the donor. Dee F will bring a gift basket example to show you next week.
3. Donate a gift basket or silent auction item.
4. Write a check for the operating cost of this event. (Catering, moving ♦ unloading, setting up, and picking up ♦ tables).

November 14 Rotary Foundation District Dinner ♦ Tam encouraged every member to attend the dinner on Thursday, November 14. It is a great opportunity to meet fellow Rotarians and learn more about our Rotary Foundation.

Sargent-At-Arms Time

Although Gary once again forgot we have a Sargent-At-Arms, Rob stepped up to fulfill his role. He paid the fee for his birthday and Chris stated he will honor his birthday next week.

Happy/Sad Dollars

Campbell ♦ Happy to be back.

Phil ♦ Happy his daughter's boyfriend will be joining them for the Christmas holidays from Norway. Looking forward to Hot Pockets and Red Lobster which they apparently do not have in Norway. That will be quite an interesting holiday dinner. He gave another dollar to note that perhaps there should be a new business idea: a pest control visit that does not occur during a luncheon.

Tam ♦ Happy to be here.

Sonny ♦ Happy to be a Rotarian

Jim ♦ Had a great visit with his daughter, Amy in California and happy to be back.

Sam ♦ Happy her injury is healed (piriformis) and played tennis this morning. When she said she was going to a Rotary meeting later, an 84-year-old woman asked, ♦ When did Rotary start letting women in? ♦. Tam responded 1986.

Chris ♦ So happy fall ball has started and he has time this year to focus on his own son.

Anne ♦ Sad dollars ♦ seven of them for family members, some who are ill and those who passed away. Many happy dollars because she so SO happy to be back to Florida and us. We are also very happy to have her back.



Guest speaker: Gary introduced Ruth Bowling, Development Officer, for Advent Health who provided a presentation filled with passion and compassion on the Sharing Smiles program that has transformed the lives of more than 26,000 children and families by providing free facial reconstructive surgery, pediatric dentistry, and pediatric rehab for children with cleft lip and cleft palates.



This program is a collaboration with Rotary and the AdventHealth Foundation.

Lin had the winning raffle ticket but did not pull the joker. She led the club in The 4-way Test.

Gary adjourned the meeting at 1:05

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Club Meeting

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