



The Spoke

“World Vision-Local Impact”

Our Club's Habitat Partnership Helps Makes A Difference



Last week we welcomed Katherine “Kitty” Green, President and CEO of Habitat for Humanity in Lee and Hendry Counties back to our Rotary podium. As we all know Habitat provides “homes for people so they may build better lives for their families.” In 2012 alone Habitat provided six new constructions and 48 rehabbed homes to deserving homeowners.

Our partnership with Habitat has grown over the years and **Ron Anderson** during his introduction of Kitty recounted our participation in a \$35,000 grant process which had local, national, and international Rotary partners.

Kitty provided us a slide presentation which offered a powerful visual of the impact and importance of Habitat to our community. Thanks Kitty for your vision and your leadership. Visit us again soon.

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LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Bobbi presided. **Sandy Scoggins** delivered the invocation; Honor Flight participants Gus Smith and Ralph King the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Jason Dolle** the 4 Way Test. **Ron Anderson** led a sublime version of "Lazy River."

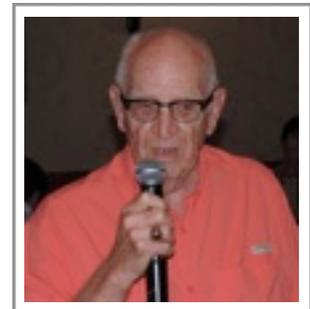
Our Membership Chair, **Peter Zahner**, conducted a Red Badge to Blue Badge Ceremony. The purpose of the Ceremony is that of recognizing Rotarians who have completed the steps necessary to exchange their Red Badge for a Blue Badge. It is an important Ceremony as it demonstrates and recognizes a member's



willingness to learn about our Rotary Club and its worldwide association. We were thus proud and pleased to see **Jack Powers** receive his Blue Badge. Congratulations on your commitment and achievement Jack. Welcome.

We were honored by the presence of Honor Flight heroes Ralph King and Gus Smith. As we all know, Honor Flight flies World War II veterans to Washington for a day of memory, gratitude, and thanksgiving. Gus Smith offered a moving testimonial of what the day and the outpouring of support meant to him and his comrades.

Special thanks to **Roger Brunswick** for his support of this extraordinarily important program.



AROUND THE CLUB

Please Help

Summer is an especially critical time for the Bonita Assistance Office as it meets the needs of Southwest Florida. Jelly/jam, maseca/ flour, vegetable oil and tuna are in short supply. **Throughout the month of July we will be collecting those items at our meetings for delivery to the Assistance Office in early August.** Thanks in advance for your help.

Attention Golfers

Throughout the summer our "Golf Tour" convenes Saturday mornings at some of the area's premier courses. The Tour visits Pelican Sound this weekend, Bonita Bay August 3, La Playa August 10, and Shadow Wood August 17. Watch your emails for specific details and plan to attend and enjoy as many of these events as you can. They're fun.

Congratulations Team!



Bobbi Bird was kind enough to forward this picture of our award winning July 4th Bed Race Team. Congratulations John, Jay, Les, and Brian. And special thanks to **Joe Murgalo** and the Hyatt for continuing to provide the "wheels."

From RI: A New Year Brings Important Changes

For three years, 100 districts have been testing Future Vision, a pilot of The Rotary Foundation's new grant system, which was designed to increase Rotary's effectiveness during the next century of service.

As the new Rotary year dawns, the future has begun. All districts begin using the simplified grant structure 1 July. Districts have already been completing the qualification process and qualifying their clubs. A number of clubs and districts have begun preparing and submitting grant applications.

There will be three types of grants: global, district, and packaged. You can learn about all three types, and get more details about the application process, on

Rotary's grant microsite.

Also on 1 July, new leaders will take office at the club, district, and international levels.

Ron D. Burton, of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, USA, will become Rotary's 103rd president and will encourage Rotarians to Engage Rotary, Change Lives .



Anne L. Matthews, a member of the Rotary Club of Columbia East, South Carolina, USA, will become the first woman to serve as vice president. Matthews, a former director of South

Carolina's Department of Education, is president of Matthews and Associates, an educational consulting firm.

Dong Kurn Lee, of the Rotary Club of Seoul Hangang, Korea, will take over as Rotary Foundation trustee chair.

A Member Spotlight

Last week **Kae Moore** stepped into the Member Spotlight. A Rotarian since 1987, Kae currently serves as the Chief Development Director for the YMCA of Southwest Florida. He reflected on his "Rotary Experience," how he became involved at Purdue in the Ambassadorial Scholarship Program and the impact it has had on him and



his family. Although he only recently assumed his current role at the YMCA, Kae's career has taken him to Colorado State University, Florida State University and Purdue University. He has owned a home in Fort Myers for almost five years. Kae and his wife Jane have four children. Welcome Kae. Thanks for being a great Rotarian. We are glad you have joined us.

Rotary Club of Bonita Springs, chartered November 3, 1978, meets every Tuesday at Pelican's Nest Club. The Club may be contacted through its mailing address P.O. Box 474, Bonita Springs Florida 34133, or its websites www.bonitaspringsrotary.org. and www.facebook.com/myrotary. **The Spoke**, the Club's official newsletter, is published weekly throughout the year (except when the Club is in recess.) You can reach the Spoke through its email riverchip12-spoke@yahoo.com





**"The Fifty-Fifty"
This Week's Big Prize-~~\$~~536**

Scott Anderson, "siting in" for Brian Olitsky, drew the Jack of Diamonds to win ~~\$~~500.

As always,,we're all winners as the "fifty-fifty" helps keep our Club strong and ready to serve.

**"Rotary Sings"
"Oh What A Beautiful Morning"**

There's a bright golden haze on the meadow,
There's a bright golden haze on the meadow,
The corn is as high as an elephant's eye,
An' it looks like its climbin' clear up to the sky.

Chorus:
Oh what a beautiful morning,
Oh what a beautiful day,
I've got a wonderful feeling,
Everything's going my way.



It's A Birthday Celebration!

Jim Dati, July 25

Our Upcoming Speakers

This Morning,



Arden McCurdy,
Executive Director,
Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida

The 4-Way Test
Of the things we think, say or do.

Is it the **TRUTH**?
Is its **FAIR** to all concerned?
Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

This Morning's Invocation

O God, as we gather here once again to renew friendships and to reaffirm our purposes as Rotarians, we offer thanks for the privileges we possess. Help us to express our gratitude in terms of the helpfulness we extend to others.

We offer thanks now for food which sustains our bodies, for fellowship which deepens our appreciation for friendship, and for the various opportunities afforded us as Rotarians.

Grant us grace to fulfill the call to service to which we have responded. Amen.

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