



Adam Botana, disguised with his reading glasses, presented the Rotary Minute. He described the process of getting to be RI President.

The person is nominated two years prior by a 17 person nominating committee representing separate regions of the world. To qualify the person must have been an RI Director and be sponsored by 500 clubs. No campaigning is allowed.

Last Week. Week 2

President Steve Slachta presided. Sara McCallum presented the invocation; George Cohan led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Carl, er, Chris Riesen recited the Four Way Test flawlessly.

Song Leader Emeritus Ron Anderson led us in singing In the Good Old Summertime.

Social Thursday. Steve announced a “Three Club Social” will be held at Artichoke & Company, Thursday, July 21st, 5:30 - 7:30pm. Cash bar, appetizers will be served. \$15/person. Please email Steve if you plan to attend.

Tom Burgess reminded us that the FGCU students will be returning to school shortly. There will be a meeting of the Rotaract Committee on July 27th.

Help! for the front desk on July 20 and July 27th. Please contact Tom Briers if you can take a shift at the front desk.

Mark McCaw announced Saturday Golf on July 23rd at Shadow Wood, and August 13th at Bonita Bay. This is fun golf for club members and friends usually followed by lunch. Please contact Mark if you want to play.



Steve presented Bob Lombardo with a Certificate of Appreciation (already framed) from the City to the Club for the recently installed Rotary Clock. Steve said, “Bob, you were the spark plug for this project. Thank you very much.”



News from the North. Long time Rotary Regular, Maurice Sullivan, was named Rotarian of the Year for the Wilmette, IL club. She has long been active in a annual campaign to collect and deliver books in inner city Chicago.

George Cohan returned, "I'm back", to act as Sergeant-at-Arms. He introduced visitors and tried to deal with a birthday list of 6 names. Five were not present. Rex Sims was at the meeting but wanted to postpone the celebration (and check) until next week.

Rex said, "They've just opened the roundabout so somebody can get in and I can sell some ice cream." Rex's place is For Heaven Shakes, 27515 Old 41 Road. Trip Advisor reports, "Yummy homemade ice cream".





Roger Brunswick, this month's program chair, introduced our speaker Lee County Supervisor of Elections **Sharon Harrington**.

Sharon began her employment with the Supervisor of Elections on April 3, 1989 as Fiscal Officer/Human Resources Director. She has worked in all departments of the Elections Office and was a part of the transition teams that worked on the countywide conversion to the touch screen voting systems in 2002 and the optical scan system in 2008.

Sharon was appointed to fulfill the unexpired term of Philinda Young by Governor Jeb Bush in January 2004 and was elected to the position in November of 2004. She was elected to Who's Who Worldwide for Business and Professional Leaders and was awarded the ABWA Woman of the Year award.

The presidential election-year process in Florida is infamous. “Hanging Chad” in 2000, controversial touch screens in 2004, and an 8 page optical scan ballot in 2012 with 4 hour waits.

She says her mission is to foster participation in the democratic process by education; making the process as honest, open, and convenient as possible; and ensuring that every vote is counted.

She has 35 full time employees and many part time and volunteers.

Some of the things they do to Get Out The Vote are to send official notices before each election giving voters the opportunity to make needed changes to their voter registrations including a form to request ballots by mail. Sample ballots are sent out so voters can study their options before getting in the voting booth. And they speak at local civic clubs, high schools, and Starbucks. They have been to 259 events in the last 7 months reaching 10,250 people.

The law provides for three ways to vote, by mail, early voting, and on election day. She has more than 140,000 requests for Mail Ballots for the primary election, August 30th.

As of July 16th, Lee County registrants were 180,454 Republicans, 113,090 Democrats, and 116,786 Others. The total of 410,330 is about 82% of the eligible population.

Sharon thinks this year’s elections will go smoother with more equipment at precincts, more early voting hours, and increased vote-by-mail. She will be on the ballots as a non-partisan candidate for Supervisor of Elections this year.

This Week Program

Carol Dube

Identity Theft

Tom Briers
drew the 6  to win \$5



The 50/50 is \$1,543

Birthdays

Rex Sims July 19

Jim Winemiller(rr) July 22

Morgan Eldridge July 24

Jim Dati July 25

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 it's climbin' clear up to the sky

Oh, what a beautiful mornin'
Oh, what a beautiful day
I've got a wonderful feelin'
Every thing's goin' my way

This Morning's Invocation

Gracious God, in the midst of these summer days we are grateful that your love and grace are not seasonal but continuous.

Having gathered again as Rotarians, we are mindful that our call to service is not seasonal, nor is our commitment to high ethical and moral standard in personal and professional life.

As officers and members alike, guide us in ways which reflect our basic reasons for existence as a club, to serve our community, to show compassion, to act with integrity and to labor with diligence to make peace a reality, here and around the world.

May our gathering here today re-energize us for these opportunities. Bless our food and fellowship not just for our own personal needs but for strength to serve others.

We are grateful for the privilege of so doing. Amen.

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