



# The Spoke

January 11th, 2017

Rotary



## Last Week ..27



Past President **Tom Briers'** grandson, **Sam Bell**, dinged the meeting to order for President **Steven Slachta**. **Carl Schwing** presented the invocation; **Roger Brunswick** led the Pledge of Allegiance; and **Carrie Reynolds** recited the Four Way Test beautifully.

Finally, after ding, ding, dinging, Meet and Greet came to an end. **Wayne Hemstead** introduced our song and led signing of *Auld Lang Syne*.

**Jim Horein** reported that his Christmas present from his kids "for the man who has everything" was a donation to *End Polio Now*.

**Bobbie Bird** reported the **Holidays Without Hunger** event packed 700,122 meals in 4 hours.

**Adam Botana**, chairman of the Reverse Raffle, announced this year's event will be **Saturday, April 29th** at St John's Hall. Anyone interested in helping should stay for a short meeting after the January 11th regular meeting.

Steven announced that *Installation of the 2016-2017 Officers* will be **Saturday, March 26th** at the Pelican Isle Yacht Club.



**Bobbie Bird** showed off a cake with “four layers of freshly grated carrots”. Husband Henry had banished the cake from the house suggesting she auction it off at the meeting.

Steven tried to close out the bidding at \$20, but was persuaded otherwise by a rebellious audience.



The cake finally garnered \$110 for *End Polio Now* from **Don Manley** and **Dave Langendorfer** (rr).



**Kae Moore** started his Rotary Minute by asking “**Why did you join Rotary?**” He says what potential members want is **to be asked** and **to be involved in a worthy organization**. He challenged all of us to make sure we ask and get people involved with us.

Sergeant-at-arms **Roger Brunswick** asked for a minute of silence in memory of former member **Jim Friedgen**.

He then introduced guests, and did little fining. The fine amounts **completely ignored** the “Fine Menu” adopted by the board and foisted on the members last fall.



**Carl Schwing** introduced our speaker **Matt Feeney** public works director for the city. “Matt is one of our fantastic staff members at the city. He is one of those whom we chose purposefully to work for the City of Bonita Springs because he has a unique set of skills, can get along with people, and can get things done. Also, he is part of the new generation we are trying to put into place in leadership in the city.”

Matt is a graduate of Notre Dame and served as Naval Surface Warfare Officer. The topic today was “Surface Warfare, or, Transportation in the City of Bonita Springs.”

The specific subject was the ideas about multi-use pathways from the recently completed visioning study for Bonita Beach Road. The focus was to see if there were any way to soften the image of the roadway not only for vehicle traffic but also for bicyclists and pedestrians.

The conclusion was there is an opportunity to to build a separated 10’ cycle track and 7’ pedestrian walkway. Matt explained the idea of **Multiuse Pathways** and showed an overview of the **Pedestrian Master Plan** that identified existing network and network expansion opportunities throughout the City.

He described the principal issues such as Separation from Traffic & Private Residences, Lighting and Public Safety, Landscaping, Signage, Hardscape, and Potential Projects.

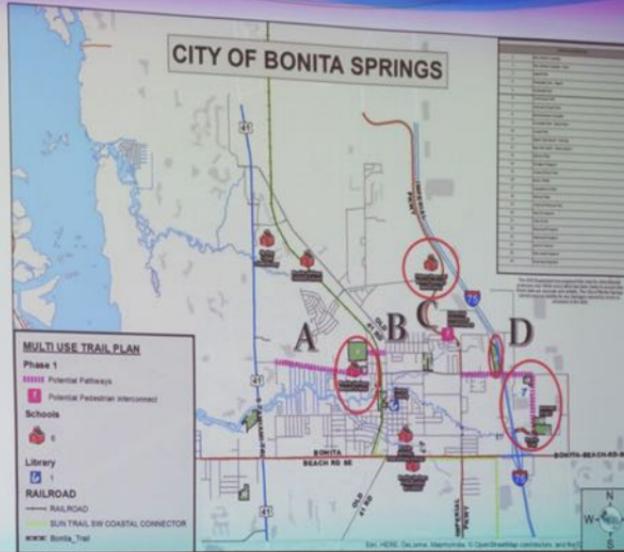
# Potential Projects

**A:** West Terry Street  
6670 LF/12 FT wide  
\$935,000

**B:** Pauling or Cochran  
1290 LF /12 FT wide  
\$317,000

**C:** Imperial  
Interconnect  
Opening in Barrier Wall  
Lee County Project

**D:** East Terry Street  
5000 LF/12 FT wide  
\$1,366,000



There are 4 **potential projects** currently identified:

- A: West Terry Street
- B: Pauling or Cochran Lane
- C: Imperial Interconnect
- D: East Terry Street

These projects provide safe routes to schools, connectivity to recreational opportunities, and are constructible.

Matt then described the **Sun Trail: Southwest** planned to go from Tampa to Marco Island, a Florida DOT project providing a regional non-motorized trail system.

The Bonita Beach Road Visioning Study report is available on the City's web site.

**“After that first Rotary meeting, I knew that was where I belonged”**



**Dave Shellenbarger** stepped forward to present his Vocational Service Minute. He is a retired computer executive and business owner. He and Kathie became residents of Bonita Bay in 2000.

Dave had started his own company in 1981 and sold it in 1989. This allowed him the wonderful opportunity to afford to be retired and young enough to do the things he wanted to do.

After a couple of years of golfing, he decided he needed more in life and so he became involved in the community. He wrote a “**Community Needs Assessment**” for the Community Foundation. The recognition and networking that came from that project got him involved in a project identifying the needs for better health care in South Lee County.

Dave has served on the Club’s board, Lee Health Foundation Board, and the Board of New Horizons.

Dave began writing articles for the Baywatch News and discovered he really enjoys writing. He is author of ‘*Unspoiled Will Spoil You*’, the history of Bonita Bay and ‘*Spyglass...*’, the story of the creation of a unique lakeside community on the Lake Michigan shore.

He joined Rotary in 1994 after attending a meeting with a friend. It was a diverse group of people who came together to work on improving the community. “After I went to that Rotary meeting, I knew that was where I belonged.”

## Spyglass – The Story

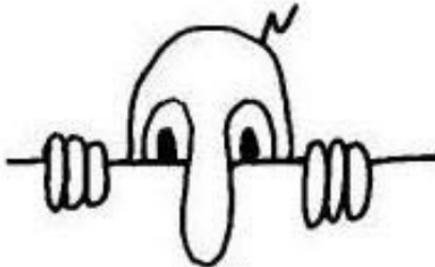


By  
David Shellenbarger

*This Week*

# **This Week**

**John Jenkins  
Executive Director  
Bonita Springs Utility**



50/50 \$1,044

42 Cards

**Rex Sims drew  
the 8♠ for \$5**



**The 50/50 is \$1,044**

***Birthdays***

**Don Manley Jan 12  
Wayne Hemstead Jan 14  
Donna Flammang Jan 15  
Bill Jenks Jan 15**

**Rotary Sings: Give my Regards to Broadway**  
**G.M. Cohan**

Give my regards to Broadway  
Remember me to Herald Square  
Tell all the gang at Forty-Second Street  
That I will soon be there

Whisper of how I'm yearning  
To mingle with the old time throng  
Give my regards to old Broadway  
And say that I'll be there e'er long

**This Morning's Invocation**

Loving and Gracious God, whose existence we humbly and gratefully acknowledge, within whose Providence we have been held since last we gathered here, and from whose beneficent Hand we have received bounties unnumbered, bless now this gathering with Your presence.

Be with us at these tables that our fellowship will be wholesome and meaningful, and that the noble purposes of our club will receive our renewed commitment.

To that end, bless the food prepared for us that strength will be sustained for tasks awaiting us.

As we return to our places of labor and leadership, or to moments of leisure, help us discern the difference between right and wrong, to have the will to follow the right. Amen.

## **Rotary International President**

**John F. Germ**  
Rotary Club of Chattanooga, TN

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**Ladd Waldo**  
The Rotary Club of Lakewood Ranch

## **Area 3 Assistant Governor**

**Sally Smith**  
The Rotary Club of Estero

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<b>President-Elect</b>	<b>Jon McLeod</b>
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<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Bob Lombardo</b>
<b>Sergeant-at-Arms</b>	<b>Roger Brunswick</b>
<b>Asst. Sgt-at-Arms</b>	<b>Bill Banfield</b>

## **Members of the Board**

**Tom Briers, Steven Slachta, Jon  
McLeod, Claudie Delgado-Feeney**

### **2014-2017**

**Frank Mazzeo, Peter O'Flinn,  
Susan Schmitt**

### **2015-2018**

**Adam Botana, Joe Murgalo,  
Jon Shaw**

### **2016-2019**

**Bob Lombardo, Kae Moore,  
Gary Price**

## **Trustees of The Foundation of The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs**

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