



The Spoke



President Bob rang the bell. For those of you who may not have heard, our good friend and former Club member Carl Schwing passed away from a fatal auto accident in Colorado. There will be service for Carl in Cape Coral on Saturday October 24 at Crosspoint Christian Church at 10:00 AM. The church is located at 204 SW 11th place, Cape Coral. For those who would like to express their sympathy to Carl's wife Brenda, here is the address—Brenda Schwing 114 Blue Mesa Circle, Divide, CO 80814. The Club had a moment of silence for Carl.

Craig read the Invocation. Dr. Steve led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. Past President Chris did The Four Way Test.

President Bob reminded us that next week's meeting will be a **Club Assembly**. We will have an opportunity to express our thoughts, concerns, suggestions, and questions. Bob asked that we send an email with topics you would like to discuss.

We will be having our **First Thursday Social** tomorrow evening from 6 to 8 PM at the Bonita Springs Historical Society site, The McSwain House at 27451 Old 41 Road. There is ample parking on site and room for social distancing. We will be out side on the veranda and the grounds. Temperatures will be taken and masks are to be worn while in the house.

President Bob presented an award to The Spoke Editor for Rotarian of the Month, but The Editor had to step away and missed the moment! She was however, humbled and grateful!

We are reinstating our member calling initiative. We intend to call every member every two weeks to stay in touch and offer any help that may be needed. Volunteers will call about ten members every two weeks. This little effort on your part will pay big dividends. You will engage with your fellow members and be a help and comfort on behalf of our great Rotary Club.

Our Club Foundation providing a presentation on how COVID-19 money was spent.



ANNUAL POINSETTIA Sale

THE ROTARY CLUB OF Bonita Springs

ORDER FORM

Rotary Member Taking Order

Customer Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

City/ST/Zip _____

Contact Name _____

Other Rotarian Contact _____

Rotarian Phone Number _____

Quantity Ordered

Red ___ City White ___ City Shrimp ___ City

8" Up to 20 plants \$18 each # _____

8" 21-50 plants \$17 each # _____

8" 51-99 plants \$16 each # _____

8" over 100 plants \$15 each # _____



Actual 8" pot

Available in Red (shown), White and Shrimp

Payment Method
(Payable to The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs)

Check _____ Check Number _____

Credit Card

Name on Card _____

Billing Zip Code _____

Number _____

Exp Date _____ CSV Code _____

Orders 20 or less poinsettias can be picked up on Friday, November 27th at the Sunshine Ace Plaza at the Rotary Christmas Tree Tent. TO PLACE YOUR ORDER, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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989-330-1524
mpoff56@cmsinter.net

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231-740-3936
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This Morning's Invocation



Good and Gracious God, at the outset of our time together, we pause to acknowledge with gratitude, not only the tangible things we call blessings and by which life is sustained, but also the intangible realities by which life is enriched. We are thankful for ideas to explore, dreams to realize, work to do, and service to give. In this month designated as Economic and Community Development Month, we pray for help in using our vocations to serve others and not just ourselves. We do pray for others, the sick and sorrowing, the anxious and burdened. Grant health and comfort, patience and strength, peace and assurance to all who need these gifts. For our own abundant blessings we give thanks, for food and friendship and for all opportunities open to us as Rotarians to make a difference for good. Amen.

This Week's Program:

Club Assembly

Rotary Sings: Princeton

"The Princeton Cannon"

In Princeton town we've got a team
That knows the way to play.
With Princeton spirit back of them,
They're sure to win the day.
With cheers and song we'll rally 'round
The cannon as of yore,
And Nassau's walls will echo with
The Princeton Tiger's roar:
(And then we'll)
Crash through that line of blue,
And send the back on 'round the end!
Fight, fight for ev'ry yard,
Princeton's honor to defend.
Rah! Rah! Rah!
Rah! Tiger sis boom bah!
And locomotives by the score!
For we'll fight with a vim
That is dead sure to win,
For Old Nassau.

Notable Notes

3 Years ago

Hurricane Irma

Jim Renfro reported that he and **Jim Dati** were working at Renfro's doing cleanup last Saturday. Then came a truck and nearly 30 volunteers who got his yard and shop cleaned up before sunset, a task that Jim said would have taken him months. The bottom floor of Renfro's studio was flooded and he's now in the process of dealing with the insurance adjuster.

12 Years ago

Last week Mayor and fellow Rotarian **Ben Nelson** was an impromptu and welcome addition to our September speaker series as he provided a Bonita Springs update. Ben offered very thoughtful and interesting insights regarding the need to balance the needs and desires of citizens with the overall development of good public policy. He offered several examples of the need to look at things differently to move the City forward and keep it competitive within the marketplace.



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

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Upcoming Programs

10/14—Mark Vargas, Revs Institute

10/17-RLI, Rotary Leadership Institute in Port Charlotte at The Cultural Center. Register in advance—no admittance the morning of if not registered.

10/21-David Webb, Exec Dir, Everglades Wonder Gardens

10/24—World Polio Day

10/28-Kristen Duguay, Stories from the "World Race"

Birthdays (Oct 4 -Oct 10)

Juan Teodoro, Oct 8

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BULLETIN



The Estero High School elected its officers for the 2020-21 academic year. Congratulations to all our next generation Rotarians and community servants.

Interact officers 2020-21

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