



The Spoke

July 20th, 2016



ROTARY MINUTE



Adam Botana presented a Rotary Minute describing the cooperation between the Gates Foundation and Rotary.

In 2007, the Gates Foundation gave The Rotary Foundation a \$100 million challenge grant for polio eradication, and in 2009, increased it to \$355 million. Rotary agreed to raise \$200 million in matching funds by 30 June 2012, but Rotarians in fact raised \$228.7 million toward the challenge.

Over 25 years, Rotary International has contributed more than \$1B to eradicate polio, and has teamed with the foundation to raise \$555 million and help stamp out “the final 1 percent.”

At Rotary’s 2011 convention of Rotarians from 160 countries, Bill urged members to keep the issue alive globally and with their local government leaders.

Adam says that when asked to describe Rotary he says, “We eradicated polio, we eat breakfast, and drink a lot”.

Three Club Social

The first Three Club Social of the year was hosted by the Noon Club and held at Artichoke & Co.



From L to R, Sally Smith, Steve Slachta, Jamie Lienhardt, Bobbi Bird, and Gerald Sola.

New Rotary Club being formed



At the Three Club Social, Rick Perry announced the forming of a new evening Rotary Club in Bonita Springs. The first meeting will be Tuesday, September 13th at 6 pm at Artichoke & Company.

The Rotary Club of Bonita Beach Sunset will meet twice monthly (2nd and 4th Tuesdays) at 6:00 - 7:00 pm. (\$20 includes meeting fee & appetizers, open bar).

The **Second Tuesday** of the month will be focused on promoting our vocations (networking and forming friendships); and

the **Fourth Tuesday** of the month will have a Rotary theme program and a prominent speaker from the community.

The club will be a Satellite Rotary Club of the Noon club until it achieves 20 members and can be chartered.

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President Steve Slachta presided. Jim Dati presented the invocation; George Cohan led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Cantor Steve Krchniak chanted the Four Way Test with style: *Is it the trooth?* ...

Song Leader emeritus Ron Anderson led the singing of *Oh What a Beautiful Morning*.

Steve announced that Justin Washburn will be in charge of the Student/teachers of the Month program.

Jon McLeod will be getting the club's activities more recognition in the press.

George Cohan introduced guests and then, in response to Steve Krchniak's efforts,

he chanted, *"I think I'll sing a fining song. The four way test was never so bad"*.

Steve chanted, *"I disagree. I think it was great"*. (Audience applauds).

Cohan, *"Is it so wonderful and we agree with you. I will pay thee fine. How much should I pay?"*

Steve, *"And I will put \$5 on top of that"*.

Cohan, *"Now we're in harmony"*.

George got to the birthdays. Rex Sims was a hold over from the previous week. Rex said, "I'm the luckiest guy in the world. They have opened the round-about and people are coming back [to his ice cream store]. But, you might have to hold my check for a week." George organized a shout out "Happy Dear 88 Rex."

Morgan Eldridge admitted to turning 33. He asked that Justin Washburn sing Happy Birthday backwards. Justin smartly turned around and sang to his friend.



Jim Dati was next. George got Steve Krchniak and Ron Anderson to lead the singing to “Jim with gel in your hair”.



Finally, Stephanie Kissinger wanted a belated celebration for her birthday check. Gary Murphy was volunteered to waltz her around while singing Happy Birthday.

Identity Theft

July program chair Roger Brunswick introduced our speaker CarolAnne Dube an Employee Benefits Specialist with Harvard Risk Management Corporation.



HRMC provides employee benefits products and services to employers. The company says its benefits products have been shown to increasingly impact its clients' bottom line by reducing employee absenteeism and helping employees stay more focused while on the job.

CarolAnne focused on identity theft. The Federal Trade Commission reports that identity theft has been the NUMBER ONE consumer complaint for FIFTEEN consecutive years!

She says, "You are THREE times more likely to have your identity stolen than you are to have your house or car broken into. As a victim of identity theft you are guilty until proven innocent!"

She offered these Identity Theft Prevention Tips

1. Review a current copy of your credit report.
2. Make sure you shred “junk mail” and unwanted credit card offers!
3. Opt out when you receive Privacy Statements - You must write them to stop companies from sharing your information.
4. Do not carry your Social Security Card - Keep it safe at home.
5. Do not carry extra credit cards.
6. Copy the contents of your wallet and store in a secure place.
7. Do not mail bill payments and checks from home. Use locked mailboxes.
8. Do not print your Social Security number or drivers license number on your checks.
9. Order your Social Security Earnings and Benefits statement and check it for accuracy.
10. Examine charges on your credit card statements each month.
11. Never give your credit card number or personal information over the phone unless you initiated the call.
12. Invest in an identity theft protection plan that provides restoration services.

She described the various levels of identity theft plans:

- Monitoring Plans
- Reimbursement Plans
- Fraud Alert Services
- Restoration Plans

Carol says that having an identity Restoration Plan is most important. It can save thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours.

This Week Program

Carol Howell
Senior Life Journeys

Birthday Boy Rex Sims

drew the J♥ to win \$5



The 50/50 is \$1,600±

Birthdays

John Warfield Aug 2

Rotary Sings: Sweet Caroline

Where it began,
I can't begin to knowin'.
But then I know it's growing strong
Was in the spring
And spring became the summer,
Who'd have believed you'd come along.
Hands, touchin' hands
Reachin' out, touchin' me, touchin' you
Sweet Caroline
Good times never seemed so good.
I've been inclined,
To believe they never would
Oh, no no.
Sweet Caroline
Good times never seemed so good.
Sweet Caroline,
I believe they never could.
Sweet Caroline
Good times never seemed so good.
Sweet Caroline....

This Morning's Invocation

Eternal God, whose existence we acknowledge, whose continued blessings we seek and on whom we depend in faith, we invoke Your blessings upon us in this gathering today.

We have come from a variety of places and tasks, to share in fellowship and in renewal of our commitment to the Rotarian ideals and standards to which we have pledged our selves and substance.

Accept now our gratitude for food, for table fellowship, and for all blessings from Your beneficent hand. Amen.

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