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# The Spoke

**The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs  
Chartered November 3, 1978**



**Meets every Wednesday at 7:30 am  
at Bonita Bay Club**

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# Rotary Club of Bonita Springs



November 3, 2010

## Last Meeting

President **Jim** presided. **Kevin Bradley** delivered the invocation. **Len Eckert** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Jon Gopman** led the 4 Way Test. **Steve Krchniak** led a rousing rendition of *When The Saints Go Marching In*.



**Dirk Novak** and **Jim O'Leary** took the time, proudly, to pose for a photo just moments after Dirk's initiation as the newest member of our Club. Dirk's biography appears in this week's Spoke. Congratulations!

President **Jim** spoke a few moments after Dirk's initiation and briefed us on the new "Red Badge" Program instituted to help new members gain a more robust insight into our Club, its members, and Rotary in general. Please support Dirk and all future new members as they move through this process.

Thanks to **Bob Lombardo** and his Committee for spectacular job in organizing the recent Gift of Life Golf Outing. **President Jim** advises that the event raised over \$2,000 for Gift of Life.

**Scott Anderson**, **President Jim** and **Tom Burgess** all spoke in support of the Rotaract Mentoring Program, details of which we received in a recent email. If you haven't already signed up, please consider doing so.



*And finally...let's sell those poinsettias!*

## Last Week's Program

**Ed Carlson**

### "Corkscrew Swamp Update"



Last week we were glad once again to visit with Ed Carlson, who has directed the conservation efforts at Corkscrew Swamp, Audubon's premier sanctuary since 1983.

**Ed is a major environmental force in Southwest Florida. He has influenced conservations and preservation efforts in Southwest Florida through his participation in variety of organizations, among them, the Executive Committee, Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed Land and Water Trust, CREW Resource Management Team, and the Conservation Collier Land Acquisition Committee.**

We heard a comprehensive update on activities at Corkscrew Swamp and the Blair Audubon Center, Ed also advised that in recognition of its environmental significance, Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary was added to the "Ramsar List" in 2009.

The Audubon's Annual Update comments that "this prestigious designation (the Ramsar Designation) reflects the dedication of the staff at the Sanctuary, Audubon Florida and National Audubon and their work the protect cypress swamps,...the valuable wetlands of South Florida."

Thanks Ed for all you do and a great presentation.

### It's Time To...

Consider being a sponsor for our Christmas Tree Sale. **Ike Lichtenstein** briefed us on all the benefits sponsorship entails. See **Ike** or **Jay Berube** for details.

*From RI International*  
**“Celebrating” World Polio Day**

Rotarians walked, ran, and sold everything from hot dogs to flower bulbs to celebrate World Polio Day, 24 October, in support of the global effort to eradicate the disease.

Led by RI President Ray Klinginsmith, an estimated 3,000 Rotarians and supporters walked along San Francisco’s Embarcadero waterfront on World Polio Day. The walk culminated in the illumination of the Ferry Building with the words "End Polio Now."



**An estimated 460 Rotarians and friends ran and walked the Eurasia Marathon in Istanbul (see picture on left) on 17 October, raising about US \$8,000. The race course included the Bosphorus Bridge, which connects Europe and Asia.**

In the Netherlands, Rotary clubs launched a national polio eradication fundraising and awareness campaign, with the goal of netting US\$2.5 million for PolioPlus.

In Kentucky, USA, Rotary clubs partnered with the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, held from 25 September to 10 October, in support of Rotary’s US \$200 Million Challenge and The Rotary Foundation’s Annual Programs Fund .

Through an agreement with the concession company for the games, a volunteer force of more than 2,000 Rotarians, family members, and friends sold food and refreshments, with a percentage of the profits going to the two causes. Equestrian athletes from 58 countries participated in the event, which drew more than 500,000 people.

## **Welcome Dirk!**



A warm Rotary welcome goes out to **Dirk Novak**, one of our newest members. Dirk was born and raised in Fort Wayne, Indiana moving to Southwest Florida in February 2006. Dirk graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Organizational, Leadership, and Supervision. He has 7 years of retail banking experience and currently works for Florida Community Bank. He resides in Bonita Springs with his wife, Karen. Karen and Dirk are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their first child due on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. In his spare time he enjoys helping others and proactively volunteering at his church, traveling, and a variety of outdoor activities. Welcome Dirk, we are glad you are a member of our Club.

## **Member Spotlight**



**Bill Banfield** stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. A native of Maryland's Eastern Shore, Bill is a graduate of the College of Holy Cross. He spoke of his career in banking and the financial services industry and shared with us his recent promotion as partner within Wells Fargo Advisors. Bill, a Leadership Bonita graduate, is deeply committed to his community, serving and participating as a high school and FGCU sports announcer, Sunday school teacher, Elks Club and Mensa member. Thanks Bill for being a great Rotarian.

**\$\$\$50/50\$\$**  
**This Weeks Big Prize—\$1,151**



Last week an overwhelmed **Mark Generales** drew the Queen of Diamonds to win \$5.

As always...the real winner is our Foundation which gets one half of the prize



**Let's Sing, Rotarians!**

***When You're Smiling***

When you're smiling  
 When you're smiling,  
 The whole world smiles with you.  
 When you're laughing  
 When you're laughing,  
 The sun comes shining thru.  
 But when you're crying,  
 You bring on the rain.  
 So stop that sighing,  
 Be happy again.  
 'Cause when you're smiling  
 When you're smiling  
 The whole world smiles with you.



# Happy Birthday

**Dave Shellenbarger,**  
**November 3**

**Jack Blake,**  
**November 5**

**The Spoke**  
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The 4-Way Test  
 of 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?

**Rotary Make-Up Opportunities**

- Monday Fort Myers South/Holiday Inn Bell Tower (Noon)
- Tuesday Estero Elk's Club (Noon)
- Wednesday Naples Gulf Shore 730 am  
 Naples Beach Hotel 12:15pm  
 Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club
- Thursday Naples North Collier Athletic Club 7:30 am  
 Bonita Springs-Spanish Wells CC (Noon)
- Friday Naples-Pelican Bay Club at Pelican Bay 7:15 am

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