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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



March 2, 2011

## Last Meeting

President **Jim** presided. **Ron Anderson** delivered the invocation. **Clara Anne Graham** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Gerry Myers** the 4 Way Test. **Steve Krchniak** led a rousing rendition of *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*.

## Start Training...It's Rotary Run Time

Our Club will be hosting the 4th annual Rotary Run on Saturday, April 2 in conjunction with "Celebrate Bonita." To assure that this event meets its goal of providing resources for the Gift of Life program,



it is critical that we garner sponsorship support. Please see **Brian Olitsky** or **Jay Berube** for additional information on how you or your business can be a sponsor for this important event.

**President Jim** advised that our Foundation has agreed to match dollar for dollar contributions made in support of the Wheelchair Foundation initiative so that a \$50 donation from any of us will result in the presentation of a wheelchair to a person in need. Please consider supporting this program.

**Ron Anderson** advised that our Board approved our participation once again in the Gift of Life Program. It is possible that through the generosity of an anonymous donor we may be able to sponsor a second Gift of Life candidate this year. If you are interested in being a host family for one of our Gift of Life candidates, please see **Ron**.

## Last Week's Program

### Dr. Lawrence D. Tihen "Lee County Public Schools"



Last week we heard from Dr. Lawrence D. Tihen, Interim Superintendent of the School District of Lee County. Dr. Tihen has been with Lee County Public Schools for more than 20 and was

selected by the Florida Department of Education as the first Literacy Leader of the Year for the State of Florida.

Dr. Tihen offered a comprehensive overview of the Lee County Public Schools, the ninth-largest district in Florida and the 40th largest school district in the United States. Thanks Dr. Tihen for an insightful presentation.

## Relay for Life

**Bobbi Bird** and **Jon McLeod** briefed us on this year's Relay for Life program, the only fundraiser the American Cancer Society organizes to assist with its work. The Relay for will be held April 8 and April 9. Our Board has approved Club participation and **Bobbi** will be chairing this year's program for the City of Bonita Springs. If you are interested in helping organize a team, please see **Bobbi** or **Jon**.

And finally....**Bobbi Bird** is looking for 4 volunteers to help pour beer for the Estero Club's Funfest which will be held March 12

## Member Spotlight

**Dave Shellenbarger** stepped into the Member Spotlight last week. Born in Michigan in the first year of the baby boom, Dave grew up on a farm in the southwest part of the state. After receiving a business degree in marketing from Michigan State University in 1968, he found a career in the computer industry with Burroughs Corporation in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Nine years later he left Burroughs and joined a mid-sized computer sales and leasing company in Troy, Michigan, leaving that position to start his own company in 1981 which evolved from a hardware sales company into a software and systems integration company, and employing 165 people when the company was sold in 1999.

In retirement Dave and his wife, Kathie enjoy all Florida has to offer. Dave is committed to our community, being a member of the board of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation and the Salvation Army advisory board. He is also a member of the South Lee County Hospital Committee.

He has held various leadership positions within our Club, chairing our Club Foundation Board for two years in addition to being a board member for four years. He is a Paul Harris Fellow, a Major Donor and a Benefactor with The Rotary Foundation, in addition to being a participant in our club mentoring program with students at FGCU.

His point of greatest pride is his marriage and his family. Married to Kathie for over forty two years, they are the parents of two sons and grandparents to seven grandchildren in the two families. Thanks Dave for being a great Rotarian.



## Rotaract Scholarship Presentation



It was a proud and happy moment to observe **Jay Berube, Scott Anderson** and Rotaract President Yan Bohyn oversee and conduct a scholarship presentation. Congratulations go out to Richard Michel, Imani Gibbs, Rebecca Olivera, and Jacob Eisenmann. As each recipient described their service projects it became abundantly clear that they deserved our thanks for this most Rotarian of moments.

## A Paul Harris Moment



Last week **Gerry Myers** presented **Klaus Helf** with a Paul Harris plus Two pin., Thanks Klaus for your generosity and devotion to our Club and to Rotary.

**\$\$\$50/50\$\$**  
**This Weeks Big Prize—\$2,161**



Last week an ebullient **Herb Barnes (rr)** drew the Five of Clubs to win \$5.

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

**Happy Birthday**

**Jim Renfro, March 2**  
**Jim Friedgen, March 5**

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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?



**Let's Sing, Rotarians!**

*(Inspired and Composed on a cold December eve)*

**Ro-Ro-Rotary**  
 (Round by Club Members)

Ro-Ro-Rotary  
 That's our grand old name.  
 Worldwide and Bonita Springs,  
 We serve but don't need fame.



**Rotary Make-Up Opportunities**

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

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