

# Kiwanis

## NEWSLETTER

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“If we want a love message to be heard, it has got to be sent out. To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it.” Mother Teresa

### Upcoming Dates

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| May 9  | Mail Carrier Food Drive – <b><u>Volunteer Opportunity</u></b> with United Way<br>Call Kim Bergs at United Way land line 211 cell 433-3900 |
| May 10 | Happy Mother’s Day  |
| May 12 | Lee County Bar Association President – Keith Grossman   |
| May 17 | Brightest Horizons Child Development Center - Golf Outing   |
| May 19 | <b><u>Builders Club Meeting with the advisors 8:50am-9:20am</u></b>   |
| May 19 | Dr. Piper Center for Social Services – Nida Eluna   |
| May 26 | LARC Community Relations & Education – Lisa Cronin Miller   |
| June 1 | Board Meeting RBC Bank 1:30, all members are welcome  |
| June 2 | Community Cooperative Ministries – Sarah Owen   |
| June 9 | Girl Scouts of America Community Development – Megan Fasig  |

### “Delicious Dining Discounts”

We are off to a great start but still need to **sell, sell, sell**. We have had about \$3000 deposited so far if you need more books or would like us to pick up your monies please call Viki 415-3100.

## Conservancy of Southwest Florida

### **Our Mission:**

*Protecting Southwest Florida's unique natural environment and quality of life...now and forever.*

### **Our Vision:**

We envision a region where our land, water and wildlife are protected, our citizens are informed and our leaders make decisions with the health, well-being and sustainability of our region's natural environment in mind. We seek to increase and share our knowledge of the natural world through continued scientific research and promoting sound environmental policies. Through collaboration with our partners we work to protect a high quality of life for both our current residents and generations to come.

The Conservancy is a grassroots organization focused on the critical environmental issues of the Southwest Florida region. We work to protect land, water and wildlife, control unplanned growth and educate the public. We use science-based research to inform government leaders and promote sound environmental policies and practices. We forge conservation partnerships on the local, regional and national level to have maximum effect.

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida began in 1964 when our earliest leaders came together to defeat a proposed "Road to Nowhere" and spearheaded the acquisition and protection of Rookery Bay. In partnership with other environmental organizations, academic institutions, scientists and individuals, our accomplishments are steeped in cooperative efforts for conservation. For more information go to the website [www.conservancy.org](http://www.conservancy.org).

### **Brightest Horizons Golf Outing**

Mark your calendars for the May 17 outing at Beach View Golf Club on Sanibel for golf & a lunch buffet. It is an 18 hole scramble - shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Ask member Tina for more details. Board approved us as a hole sponsor. Look for Brightest Horizon spot on Channel 15.

### **MOPS...at Peace Lutheran Church !**

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, a program designed to nurture mothers with children from infancy through kindergarten. The women are of many ages and backgrounds, but share the same desire - to be the best mothers they can be. They participate in Bible studies, listen to special presenters, do art and crafts, and enjoy fellowship and refreshments, while their children play and learn about Jesus in the Moppets program. Peace Lutheran is hosting a group two Saturdays each month, the first and third from 10-11:30am. Call Connie 437-2599

### **Welcome New Members**

Greet and get to know your new members:

**Jeff Young**, owner of Rita's Ice-Custard Happiness and **Tom Richards**, Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church.

### **Speakers**

Do you have a passion? We all do, let Tish know, she will be happy to schedule a speaker. Thank you Tish for doing such great job our speakers have been awesome.

Kelly Sonnanstine – President  
Matt Ponzio – President-Elect  
Danielle Emery – Vice President  
Valerie Petracco – Treasurer  
Terry Luster – Secretary

George Eddy – Director  
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