

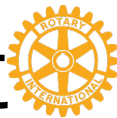


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We meet Thursdays 8:00 AM Three Fishermen Seafood Restaurant
At the Best Western Hotel 13021 N Cleveland Ave North Fort Myers

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This weeks speaker: Introduction by Tim Eckert

Stephanie Ross & Matt Koller

Fort Myers Symphonic Master Singers

Stephanie, a lifelong educator & learner, retired from her roles at the District & State levels of education in 2001, only to begin a second "career" in professional learning & leadership development. Most people associate Stephanie with the Edison Sailing Center but her background – was focused on music.

She worked alongside early symphony director Arlo Deibler, helping to establish an annual music festival for youth voices and orchestra. She also worked with former NBC news anchor Brad Lacey in children's musical theater. Years later she served on the SW Florida Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors.

Stephanie serves as a Board member of the Ft. Myers Symphonic Mastersingers, volunteers in schools and enjoys traveling with her family. The Webbs are committed to their community and ascribe to Scripture from the Book of Luke: "To whom much is given, much is required."

Matt is the Artistic Director of the Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers, the City of Palms Youth Choir, and the new women's choir Luminara. Choirs under his direction have performed several masterworks, world premieres, and have appeared in Carnegie Hall, Barbara B. Mann PAH, and other prestigious venues. He has conducted at Florida Gulf Coast University Opera, Gulfshore Opera, and Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra.

Matt has taught private voice lessons for over 25 years and is an adjunct professor of voice at FSW State College. His students have appeared in lead roles on Broadway, national tours, television, film, and work in fields such as music education, sacred music, theater, dance, casting, and arts administration.

Matt is a graduate of Westminster Choir College where he sang in the Westminster Choir and studied with Joseph Flummerfelt and James Jordan, and is a member and soloist of The Same Stream Choir in Philadelphia. As a tenor, Matt has performed throughout the U.S. and Italy in numerous operas and concert works. Matt is also a drummer and musical directs for local professional and educational theaters.

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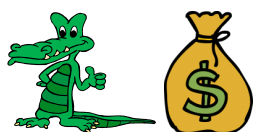
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PLANNING AHEAD

September 12: Distribute Food at The Pantry - see David

September 13: Baking with Christina - see Christina

October 10: Distribute Food at The Pantry - see David

October 11: Bike Night—see David

December 13: Christmas/Holiday Party - Magnolia Landing - see Judy

December 18: Christmas/Holiday Family Breakfast

December 20: Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ Publix - see Jack

UNITE
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May those assembled here today enjoy the many offerings of Rotary. May we abide by the rules we have established, those of trust, fellowship and ethics, and may we place Service above Self in our daily endeavors. Amen.

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and Peace - through
Service - the World Over."



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- First, is it the truth?
- Second, is it fair to all concerned?
- Third, will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Fourth, will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Of course it will, Now go out and live it!

Guest Speakers



Next week 09:04: Jan Olsson - Community Cooperative & Rotary

Last week 08:21: Steve Cox & Christie Tvardek - NFM Rec Center

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Member Birthday

Tim Eckert 08-01

George Sinko 08-21

Member Wedding Anv.

Terry Tucker 08-13

Norm Jones 08-20

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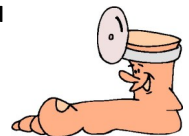
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