

# ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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## This Week's Speaker: Dr. Tracy Fanara



**MOTE** MARINE LABORATORY & AQUARIUM

Tracy joined the Environmental Health program in March of 2015. Tracy has extensive experience in hydrologic and hydraulic modeling through her doctoral research as well as almost 10 years of engineering consulting experience. She is also well trained in water quality analyses, as she studied the fate of phosphorus in urban environments by “storm chasing” for her Master’s research. Although an engineer, she has research experience in biology including a study of diatoms as quality indicators, seagrass displacement, and eutrophication from nutrient loading. Tracy has also studied the impact of public outreach by social media as well as physical/visual learning, as she mentored and was the design engineer for two integrated, nationally winning, EPA Rainworks Challenge teams.

At Mote, Tracy manages the Environmental Health Program, investigating the effects of marine and freshwater chemicals on public health. A focus of the program is Mote’s Beach Conditions Reporting System, which is an operational, non-federal, sub-regional observing system providing real and near-time data from the Florida Gulf coast. Tracy works with Gulf Coast beaches to organize twice daily beach condition reports, which are available to the public at [www.mote.org/beaches](http://www.mote.org/beaches). She also brings creative ways to educate and inform the public about Florida red tide and other harmful algae blooms.

Tracy is a “triple Gator” having earned her B.S., M.E. and Ph.D. from the University of Florida. She has won numerous awards and scholarships and is extremely well published.

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### Upcoming Speakers Line-Up:

- January 11 – John Korff: Sarasota Music Half Marathon**
- January 18 – Mischa Kirby: Selby Gardens**
- January 25 – Thomas Melville: Literacy Council of Sarasota**
- February 1 – Meg Lowman: California Academy of Sciences**
- February 9 – Clint Hurdle: Pittsburgh Pirates**

## PREVIOUS MEETING (12 /21/16) by Ron Rayevich

Our last meeting of 2016 was by far the most interesting Club Assembly I have attended. Five different speakers discussed the many **Service Above Self** activities our club has been involved in over the past several years.

**Lee-En Chung** began the program by explaining how she was able to obtain 10 free cases of insect repellent from Johnson and Johnson for those suffering the effects of flooding in Arcadia from Hurricane Charlie and then how coordinating with the Rotary Club of Chinatown in NYC, she was able to support relief programs for the victims of the Tsunami in Taiwan.

**Dan Smith** provided the background behind our club's strong relationship with The Salvation Army (SA), noting that we have four members of our club who serve on the local Area Commands advisory board including Dick Rehmyer, immediate past SA chairman, and that the last three Area Commanders have been club members, including our own Major Ethan Frizzell. Just recently the Foundation on behalf of our club donated \$6,300 to the SA to help relieve the problem of homelessness in Sarasota.

**Bob Stone** regaled us with the extraordinary service activities of deceased club member Roscoe Turner who, organized trips to Thailand and with the help of our club members and Rotary Global Grants, was able to build dozens of libraries at schools in rural areas of that country.

**Dan Dannheisser** explained how 100 years ago Paul and three friends began Rotary as a way to improve their business contacts and ultimately provided useful service projects to their community. (Their first service project was providing public toilets in Chicago.)

And finally, **Lois Schaper** kicked off another ambitious program with power point slides showing the success of our previous efforts to install 150 vented stoves at rural village in Guatemala. Your gift of \$155 to the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation will purchase, deliver, and install a vented stove to a rural family in Guatemala and will greatly improve health conditions there, where 50% of the deaths of children under 5 are from smoke inhalation.

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**Stoves Save Lives For \$155! Stop the Smoke!**  
**Please contact Paul Mlotok at [paul@janaka.org](mailto:paul@janaka.org) for more details**  
**Give to the Guatemala Stove Project!**

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**Every Saturday Morning for Coffee!**

**Saturday Mornings at 9:00am - Panera Bread at Bahia Vista**

**Rotarians and significant others welcome at this informal Rotary social gathering.**

**Every Monday Night (starting Jan. 9) for snacks and drinks!**

**Monday Evenings at 5:30 pm - Social Eatery and Bar -1219 First St.  
Bring a Friend!**

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