

# ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



CHARTERED APRIL 12, 1926  
CLUB NUMBER 4339  
DISTRICT 6960  
ZONE 34

**PRESIDENT - VICENTE MEDINA**  
Classification. Insurance — Commercial: Personal

FEBRUARY 3, 2016

**SMILE** THE WEEKLY CLUB NEWSLETTER

[WWW.ROTARYCLUBOFSARASOTA.COM](http://WWW.ROTARYCLUBOFSARASOTA.COM)

PROGRAM CHAIR JAN, FEB, MAR - KLAUS LANG  
NEXT QUARTER—DAN DANNHEISSER



### **THIS MEETING**

**Pam Akins** will share the experiences she and Barry have had at Rotary International Conventions, highlighting Sao Paulo, and discuss why it would be beneficial for all Rotarians to attend at least one, and for all club leaders prior to taking office.



### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

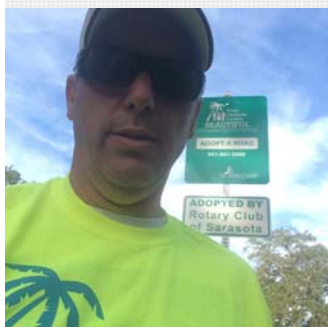
Feb 10 Bob Summers and Jeana Schmidt—Relay for Life  
Feb 17 David Rovine— Baltimore Orioles  
Feb 24 Charles Hines—State of the County



**Rotary Night at the Circus**  
Friday, February 12

### **Street Cleanup**

### **Dops**



**Only Jayne and Vicente showed up for the 10th Street Cleanup. Perhaps more will show up in April.**

## **FRANK HOPPER ORIGINAL RAFFLE**

**DAN O'BRIAN 1996 PENTATHLETE GOLD MEDALIST**



**Proceeds Benefit**

**Gift of Life**

- Price per Ticket \$25
- Only 100 Tickets Sold
- Drawing February 10
- Checks Payable to
- Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation

### **PREVIOUS MEETING** *By Charlotte Ryan*

**Bryne Anne Besio**, CEO of the So. Florida Museum and Bishop Planetarium, Inc., gave us a broad look at the mission and purpose of the organization. It is almost 69 years old and continuing to grow. When founded, materials relating to the area of natural history were about to be sent to the Smithsonian but the founders of So. Florida Museum successfully fought to keep the artifacts here in Bradenton. Now the museum contains over 55,000 pieces including Priscilla (a he), the 10,000 year old mastodon whose gender was discovered only after the "whole" skeleton was made available. There are also three aquariums in the complex; the Manatee Aquarium houses "Snooty", a 67-year-old manatee who acts as "ambassador" for the facility. The Bishop Planetarium has simulation systems which allow patrons to "tour the universe." The Smithsonian remains an affiliate and plans for expansion and development of the physical plant are in process. The Museum has a \$15,000,000 endowment fund!! Last year a \$12,000,000 campaign was launched and \$11,000,000 has already been raised.



SMILE STAFF - Reporter - Jim Roque [jim.roque@suntrust.com](mailto:jim.roque@suntrust.com) Editor - Jim Henry [jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com](mailto:jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com) Ass't Editor - Sue Leavis [sleavis@gmail.com](mailto:sleavis@gmail.com)  
Printed by - Bob Stone MinuteManPress [bobsrotaryemail@gmail.com](mailto:bobsrotaryemail@gmail.com) Public Relations Committee Chair - Rick Hughes [rick.hughes@gimi.org](mailto:rick.hughes@gimi.org)

ROTARIANS MAKE THE WORLD BETTER . . . ONE COMMUNITY AT THE TIME.