



### THE 4-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



# The Weekly Smile

Rotary Club of Sarasota

December 03, 2014

Wednesday at 12:00pm at Marina Jack Restaurant • Chartered April 12, 1926 • Member District 6960

## EVENTS

**Sarasota Art Festival** meetings will be after the Club Meetings on 2nd Wednesday of the month.

**TRF Committee** meetings will be after the Club Meetings on 1st Wednesday of the month.

**Rotary Singers** rehearsals will be held at 6:30pm at The Regency House Meeting Room, 435 S. Gulfstream Ave., Sarasota on Wednesday 12/3 and Monday 12/15

## HOLIDAY PARTY

**Please note change of venue and time!**

Sunday, December 14th, 6-9 pm at Amore located at 555 Bay Isles Parkway, Longboat Key (Howard Rooks' new fabulous restaurant). A sit down dinner will be served. Please sign up either on the website or at the meeting with dinner selection and number attending.

## REGULAR SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

**Golf:** Bent Tree, Wednesdays at 2:20 & 2:28. E-mail RDJWAdams@aol.com by noon Tuesday if you want to play.

**Breakfast:** Saturdays 8:30 am at Panera Bread, 41 & Bahia Vista.

**Dining for Women** will be the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Sarasota Bay Club. Please go to our website to sign up. On **December 16th** will be the Women's Microfinance Initiative which will establish village-level loan hubs administered by local women, to provide capital, training and support to rural women in the lowest income brackets in East Africa so that they can engage in income producing activities.

## CLUB CALENDAR

The club's web site has a calendar of events. Anyone who wants to put something on the calendar, such as meetings, should give details to our web master, Jim Henry.

## THIS MEETING *Klaus Lang on Bhutan*

Klaus will talk about a recent trip through Bhutan, considered the "Shangri La" of the world and one of the most remote countries in the world, located in the southern part of the Himalayas.

## NEXT MEETING "I WAS THERE." *Helen Fagin, Holocaust Survivor*



Helen Fagin helped establish the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the nation's World War II Memorial. A holocaust survivor herself, Fagin was studying at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow when her studies were interrupted by Germany's invasion of Poland. Holocaust resource *Echoes and Reflections* writes that a 17-year-old Fagin helped establish a clandestine school

for her younger sister and other children in her ghetto. She narrowly escaped deportation and spent five and half years under Nazi persecution. She moved to the United States in 1946 knowing little English, pursued her education, and eventually became a professor of English and Director of Judaic Studies at the University of Miami. In 1977, she received her Ph.D from the Union Institute and University in Cincinnati, Ohio. Since retiring, she has dedicated herself to educating teachers on the moral lessons of the Holocaust.

## LAST MEETING *Rabbi Jonathan R. Katz, Temple Beth Israel on Longboat Key 'A Thanksgiving Message'*

I do think it is nice to really get into the spirit of Thanksgiving before the food from the holiday overwhelms us, which is exactly what Rabbi Johnathan Katz and his daughter did for our club. For the last six years Rabbi Katz has led Temple Beth Israel on Longboat Key. He also serves on the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army and as an advocate for the Coalition of Immokalee Workers. Rabbi Katz's message is that Thanksgiving is a time for us all to take the opportunity to be thankful and to express gratitude for all the benefits we enjoy in this country and in our personal lives. His daughter, Emma, concluded our meeting with a beautiful rendition of the song "All Good Gifts" from the musical "Godspell". - **Ron Rayevich**



**NOTE:** If you have information for the **SMILE** please e-mail Susan Leavis at [sleavis@gmail.com](mailto:sleavis@gmail.com) and Jim Henry at [jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com](mailto:jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com) no later than the Friday before the Wednesday lunch meeting.