

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Name	Classification	Proposed by
John Coleman	Payroll Services	Andrea Nierenberg

If no written objections are submitted to the Board of Directors by the end of the work day Sept 10, John will be invited to a Rotary Information Meeting.

SHARPEN YOUR MEDIATION, DIALOGUE AND OTHER CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION SKILLS WITH SUZI IN BALI



Mediators Beyond Borders International (MBBI), an impact organization founded on the principle of people-centered peace building, invites global leaders, pioneers, and change-makers in the mediation, conflict-resolution, and peace building space to join us at the 2019 Congress *DISRUPTORS: Leading Change in a World of Conflict* at the *Intercontinental Hotel & Resort in Bali, Indonesia*, Wednesday, November 6 through Friday, November 8. There will be optional pre-congress trainings November 3-5, as well as a post-congress excursion November 9, 2019

Rotary has worked with MBBI since 2013 to advance common goals for peace and is now a partner. This new partnership will enable Rotary members to train with MBBI to sharpen their mediation, dialogue and other conflict transformation skills. Rotary's 1.2 million members will help MBBI expand its network of trained mediators – potentially transforming conflict in communities not previously reached.



ROTARY NIGHT AT THE OPERA

Nov. 1 — 7:30 pm.

RIGOLETTO

Ana Bartys, who coordinates our annual Rotary Night at the Opera, has secured 35 tickets. The cost will be **\$83.60**. A deposit of **\$20.00** per ticket is needed when you sign up or shortly thereafter, or your signup will be invalidated. *Checks are to be made out to the Rotary Club of Sarasota.*

Ana has arranged for an optional group dinner at Umbrellas, the restaurant adjacent to the Opera House. A prix fixe two-course dinner with four entrée choices and salad will be \$33.00 plus tax and gratuity. A signup sheet will be available at the Wednesday meetings. Please indicate on the signup sheet the number of opera tickets you wish to have and whether or not your party wishes to enjoy dinner at Umbrellas. If you have any questions, please contact Ana Bartys at anabartys@gmail.com or call her at 941-321-2674.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR - BOB GAGLIO
August Program Coordinator - Kevin Tighe

September Program Coordinator — Dan Dannheisser
Sept 11 — District Governor Richard Kirschner & Nancy
Sept 18 — Liz Alpert - Mayor of Sarasota
Sept 25 — Ariel Serrano - Sarasota Cuban Ballet



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM



President-Elect Laura Randall will talk to us about her experiences at the Rotary International convention in Hamburg, Germany where Rotarians from over 170 countries convened at Rotary International's 110th annual international convention, which is often described as a mini-United Nations.



WHAT'S IN A KINDERGARTEN READINESS BAG?

Alphabet Card with pictures

Upper and lower case magnetic letters

Alphabet Learning Cards

Skills every child entering kindergarten needs

WATER SAFE Book for parents to read to their child. Book for Digital Assistant

Scribble pad

Crayons

Color Learning Cards

ROTARY READING PROJECT

Learn more about it on the club's website, and share it with friends on social media and word of mouth.

PREVIOUS

Bob Stone, owner of Minuteman Press, Past Rotary Club of Sarasota President and former Assistant Governor, led a discussion on **S4TL (Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders)**. This one week leadership training program is held annually at Florida Southern College in Lakeland jointly sponsored by Rotary Districts 6960, 6950, and 6890 for the benefit of 160 rising high school seniors. This year our club sent six students to **S4TL** to learn effective communication skills, habits of success, leadership traits, and how to develop leadership integrity, empower others, and make good life choices. Three of this year's attendees, **Fatima Demlak, Ahmari Barrineau, and Olivia Schmelts,** joined **Bob Stone** on the program to give us their impressions of **S4TL**. These student leaders have a opportunity to not only listen to world class speakers, but participate with their peers in roundtable discussions and even rap with Rotary members about issues they face in everyday life. You can join in these rap sessions by volunteering next spring for one day at the program in Lakeland. I did it a few years ago and thoroughly enjoyed my day. While at Florida Southern, you can also tour 10 Frank Lloyd Wright buildings located on the campus.



NOTICE

To stimulate public awareness and give the public an opportunity to participate in helping Sarasota County students achieve top place in the State's third reading level (in systems with over 2,000 students), an on-line campaign is underway. It would be helpful for Rotarians to help us lead the way by making others aware of this goal.

CLUB MEMBERS ARE NOT TO FEEL PRESSURED TO CONTRIBUTE MORE THAN THEY ALREADY HAVE.