

Rotary



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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September 30, 2020

ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA

CHARTERED APRIL 12, 1926

CLUB NUMBER 4339

DISTRICT 6960

ZONE 34

PRESIDENT – LAURA RANDALL

The Four Way Test of Things we Think, Say or Do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3. Will it build

GOODWILL and BETTER

FRIENDSHIPS?

4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Upcoming speakers

Oct. 7.....Michael McGovern, Head of the Polio Plus initiative

Oct. 14.....Rick Piccolo, President and CEO, SRQ Airport

Oct. 21.....Dr. Richard Levinson Professor Emeritus, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

Oct. 28..... Darryl Keys, District Governor, District 6960

President Laura's Update

Hello, Fellow Rotarians!

The Rotary theme for 2020-21, Rotary Opens Opportunities, asks Rotarians to create opportunities which strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.

This goal calls us all to be people of action who work to make a positive impact... on our Club and on our community. I believe we are stronger together than we are alone and therefore, I want to focus on continuing to innovate how we meet our objectives and invigorate the members of our Club, all with an eye toward ensuring the Rotary Club of Sarasota remains the preeminent club in our area.

At my installation as President of this Club, I laid out a series of goals, and I want to reiterate them so we can all take a look at how we are doing and where we need to work harder.

- Strategic Plan - With the sunsetting of the Pioneer Picnic, it was suggested we find our Club's big WHY and engage members in this discovery. We are working with future club presidents and the leadership of the Foundation to ensure this process is fair to all concerned and will be embraced by future club leaders.
- Keeping our Club safe – The safety of our members remains my primary concern. We will continue to provide streaming of our meetings for as long as we practically can. While I am excited to convene our Club again on October 14th at Marina Jack, I will defend any member's choice to not attend for health reasons.
- Secure high-quality, informative speakers and the introduction of the Rotarian Minute - We have the committee engage some out-of-the-box programming and fascinating speakers. Additionally a dozen members have dedicated their 60 seconds to telling us something about themselves so we can know them a little better.

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President Laura's Update (continued)

- Affinity Groups – Our Working Women @ Rotary has held their first meeting and we look forward to gathering again in mid-October. Our Supper Club groups have been identified and we are looking forward to convening them soon.
- Public Relations effort – IPP Jeff Meyer has convened his committee and will meet with them in the coming weeks. Jeff has submitted media alerts to local news papers and electronic media, and has plans to move our social media presence forward in the next quarter.
- Diversity and inclusion - While we have been limited in our ability to actively attract new members to our club because of the current limitations, I believe we have begun to explore new ways of thinking and more appropriate ways to communicate with one another. I continue to challenge all of us to become the kind of membership which will attract people who can deepen our thinking and broaden our understanding.

My pledge to you at the installation was "I will do all I can to preserve and enhance the vitality of this club and maintain the stature of the club in our community. When needed, I will lead us through the hard decisions and put the vigor of the club as our number one priority. Because we cannot accomplish anything for the community if we do not keep this group intact and functioning at the very highest level."

Laura Randall
President, The Rotary Club of Sarasota

This week's speaker

Kay Rosaire, Founder Big Cat Habitat & Gulf Coast Sanctuary



We are going to finish our Rotary on the Road series by taking a walk on the wild side!

Big Cat Habitat and Gulf Coast Sanctuary is an ever-growing large-animal rescue in eastern Sarasota County. Founded in 1987 by Kay Rosaire, the non-profit sanctuary is a permanent home for dozens of exotic animals, offers placement for animals in need, and works to educate the public about animal care and conservation.

Kay Rosaire is one of the only women in the world to put her head inside a tiger's mouth. Kay has a rich history as a circus performer and has traveled all over the world with her legendary cat act. Semi-retired from the entertainment industry, Kay dedicates herself full time to the rescue of big cats and other animals in need of a safe, permanent home, and continues to educate visitors at the Big Cat Habitat and Gulf Coast Sanctuary that she founded in 1987.

September 23rd Meeting Recap

By Bonnie Calvert

Thank you to Kat Ross, dockmaster at Marina Jack for giving us a tour of the dock store and marina on September 16. We toured D dock which has 26 slips and includes a 125' boat currently docked there. The largest boat ever to dock at the marina was 228' long. Kat oversees the Marina, club and boat rentals and assures that all the docks are in good shape and serviceable for boaters and their boats. They have a broad spectrum of clients and their floating docks are sought after because of the 2 ½ foot variance for tides. The marina, Marina Jack and O'Leary's have been owned by Suntext since 2016.

With a wet slip fee currently at \$3.10/foot, visiting boaters can enjoy many downtown businesses within walking distance and 63 restaurants within ¼ mile. The restrictions of Covid-19 had the marina and restaurant closed during April and May of 2020 but business has been good since then. Freedom Boat Club also has boat rentals at the marina and there is a presence of police and homeland security, assuring safety for boaters and pedestrians. The mooring field to the south of the marina used to be in bad shape with derelict vessels. Kat and Suntext worked with the City of Sarasota to clean it up and enforce rules. The marina now also polices the mooring field. Kat said her biggest headache is not having enough slips, although they have 298 wet slips and 25 boat lifts.



Social Committee

Judy VanHouten, Chair

Oktoberfest
ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA FALL SOCIAL

Questions? Call Judy VanHouten (315) 719-9800
Saturday, October 3 at 6:00 PM
ET

Home of Garrett & Linda Grace 4544 Cherrybark Ct. Sarasota, FL 34241

Click here to reserve your spot!

What's next?


We are going back to Marina Jack!

With the announcement that Gov. Ron DeSantis has now lifted all coronavirus restrictions on restaurants and other businesses, we believe it is prudent to invite those who feel comfortable to **return to meet in person on 10/14/20** to hear CEO of SRQ Rick Piccolo speak. We will continue to present the meeting via zoom for those who do not wish to attend for health reasons.

Click [here](#) for the permanent lunch time link. The meeting ID is 850 7495 4959.

Do-goodery opportunity

We have been invited by the Rotary Club of Longboat Key to join them in a project to support foster families for Thanksgiving. We will provide food boxes for underserved families with foster children. The partner agency is the Children's Guardian Fund. Our opportunities are to provide funding (\$60 per food box), do shopping at the LBK Publix which has signed on, and prep or deliver the boxes. More to come, but feel free to reach out to **Ruth McLaren** directly if you are interested in helping in any way.



Celebrating a Birthday this week!

Ralph Friedland - September 28

Kumar Mahadevan - September 29

By the numbers....

In order to let our members know where we stand with our financial position, we will publish the year-to-date budget at the end of each quarter.

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Cash Basis

Rotary Club of Sarasota Annual Budget vs. Actual to Date July through August 2020

	Jul - Aug 20	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
40100 · LUNCHEON RECEIPTS		
40102 · Members Prepaid Lunches	1,237.35	11,700.00
40103 · Visitors & Guests Lunches	20.00	1,583.32
Total 40100 · LUNCHEON RECEIPTS	1,257.35	13,283.32
40200 · MEMBERSHIP FEES		
40201 · Admission Fee	0.00	100.00
40202 · Membership Dues	10,160.35	8,458.66
Total 40200 · MEMBERSHIP FEES	10,160.35	8,558.66
40300 · MISC. REVENUE		
40301 · 50/50 Receipts	0.00	166.66
40303 · Interest Income	0.61	0.00
40399 · Miscellaneous Income	-324.00	2,018.00
Total 40300 · MISC. REVENUE	-323.39	2,184.66
Total Income	11,094.31	24,026.64
Gross Profit	11,094.31	24,026.64
Expense		
50000 · ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		
50001 · Administrative	229.46	100.00
50002 · Bank Fees	17.50	50.00
50008 · Postage	23.30	0.00
50020 · Professional Services		
50021 · Bookkeeping	465.00	430.00
50023 · Executive Secretary	2,358.34	1,616.66
Total 50020 · Professional Services	2,823.34	2,046.66
50031 · Computer, Projector & Screen	99.98	
Total 50000 · ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	3,193.58	2,196.66
51000 · CLUB COMMITTEES		
51020 · Community Service Committee	0.00	25.00
51040 · Membership Committee	0.00	66.66
51050 · Public Relations Committee	2.70	166.66
51070 · Generations Committee	494.00	666.66
51080 · Vocational Committee	0.00	25.00
51100 · Social Fellowship Committee		
51102 · Club Socials and Happy Hours	0.00	291.66
51150 · Installation Banquet	-94.48	0.00
Total 51100 · Social Fellowship Committee	-94.48	291.66
Total 51000 · CLUB COMMITTEES	402.22	1,241.64
52000 · CLUB MEETING EXPENSES		
52001 · 50/50 Jackpot Payout	0.00	166.66
52004 · Meeting Lunch	1,620.14	10,500.00
52000 · CLUB MEETING EXPENSES - Other	320.90	0.00
Total 52000 · CLUB MEETING EXPENSES	1,941.04	10,666.66
53000 · CLUB SERVICE		
53001 · Dues-District 6960	3,105.00	0.00
53002 · Dues-Rotary International	4,410.14	4,212.00
Total 53000 · CLUB SERVICE	7,515.14	4,212.00

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54000 · COMMUNITY SERVICE		
54008 · President's Projects	69.53	333.34
54011 · Citizen of the Year	1,000.00	0.00
Total 54000 · COMMUNITY SERVICE	1,069.53	333.34
56000 · INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
56999 · Other International Service	0.00	250.00
Total 56000 · INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	0.00	250.00
58000 · GRANTS AND DONATIONS		
58011 · Bereavement Fund	0.00	20.80
Total 58000 · GRANTS AND DONATIONS	0.00	20.80
Total Expense	14,121.51	18,921.10
Net Ordinary Income	-3,027.20	5,105.54
Net Income	-3,027.20	5,105.54

2020-2021 Rotary Club Board of Directors

Laura Randall - President
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Jeff Meyer - Immediate Past President
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