

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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This Weeks's Speaker: Shannon Stafford of Girls Inc.

Shannon grew up in Sarasota and graduated from Riverview High School. She went on to attend the University of Pennsylvania where she spent 4 years competing on the Women's Division I Women's Gymnastics Team. Shannon graduated with a bachelor's degree in Economics and then attended law school at the University of Florida Levin College of Law.

After graduating from UF, Shannon practiced Juvenile Law for more than 10 years, first in the Juvenile Division of the Public Defender's Office and then as a Senior Attorney for the Guardian ad Litem Program. After starting her own family, Shannon decided to make a career change into the non-profit world but knew she wanted to continue making a difference in the lives of children. She has been the Director of Advancement at Girls Inc. for almost a year now where she focuses on donor relations, fundraising, and special events. The best part of Shannon's work day is when the girls arrive in the building after school and she can hear their locker doors slamming and the sound of their happy voices. She often makes a point to sneak away from her desk for a few minutes to talk with the girls where she is greeted by the biggest smiles and the best hugs!

Next Week's Speaker:

November 2nd: Tom Barwin...City Manager, Sarasota

And for the next two weeks:

November 9th: Jacqueline Moore...Mayor, City of North Port

November 16th: Margo McKnight...Florida Aquarium

If there are no objections, the following members will be inducted next week:

Samantha Hobbs	Prescription Drugs	<i>sponsored by</i> Rick Hughes
Brock People	Librarian	<i>sponsored by</i> Rick Hughes

Gift of Life Florida presents: Keys for the Heart Concert

A special Evening of Music to benefit life saving open heart surgery for children

Saturday, October 29, 2016 6:00 - 9:00pm

St Thomas More's Chelsea Center

2506 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota, FL 34231

\$75 per person (includes catered hors'doeuvres, cash bar)

Featuring Renowned Pianist Francesco Attesti & Soprano Natalie Avila

For Tickets call Lou Auricchio at 941-587-7741 or go to the website at

www.keysfortheheart.org

LUNAFEST – November 3 @ 7pm - Manatee Technical College

An evening of films for women, by women.

See Brochures on your table today!

PREVIOUS MEETING (10/19/16) by Ron Rayevich

It seems like I should have known something about the **Junior League** before our speaker, **Britt Riner**, President of the **Junior League of Sarasota**, presented last week, but I didn't. I did not know that the organization began in 1901 in New York City with a group of young women (hence the name **Junior League**) interested improving conditions in their community with a focus on education and charitable activities. Nor did I know that the **Junior League of Sarasota** has over 700 members and started Children's First and provided the founding grant for the establishment of Historic Spanish Point. Nor did I know that the Junior League was active in the founding of the Teen Court and had provided the playground at the Child Protective Center in downtown Sarasota and a handicap playground facility at Twin Lakes Park. Well, now I know all that thanks to the excellent and well-illustrated power point presentation of Britt Riner and the many women of the Junior League who have done so much to make Sarasota a wonderful community.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA FOUNDATION, AT ITS
OCTOBER 18 BOARD MEETING, APPROVED THE FOLLOWING:**

John Jakes Scholarship Fund: The board approved a maximum of **\$10,000** to match Rotarian contributions 2:1.

Cooperative Global Grant with the Rotary Club of Franklin County, NC: The Board approved **\$1,000** for the Ocoato Alto Sanitation Grant GG 1744672.

Endowment Contribution: The Board authorized the treasurer to transfer up to **\$15,000** to its endowment this fiscal year.

Boys and Girls Club: The Board granted **\$3,000** to the Boys and Girls Club for 100 - \$30 Christmas gift cards for teenage members.

Salvation Army: The Board authorized **\$6,335** to sponsor, in recognition of the **Rotary Club of Sarasota**, one of the Salvation Army's *Quality of Life by Choice* beds.

In an earlier action, the Board, by email, approved **\$1,000** for the Haiti Relief Fund.

For more information about the **Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation**, please visit its web site at <http://www.rotaryclubofsarasotafoundation.org/>

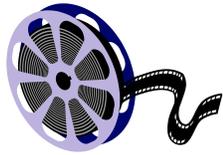
Foundation Board Members: President - **Kumar Mahadevan**; Vice President - **Sarah Lodge**; Secretary - **Jim Henry**; Treasurer - **Ron Rayevich**. Members at large: **Joan Verizzo, Jo Rutstein, Par Reid, and Sue Leavis**. Club Board Liaison - **Vicente Medina**. Advancement Chair - **Rick Hughes**.

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The Four 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?

2016/2017 PRESIDENTIAL THEME: ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY



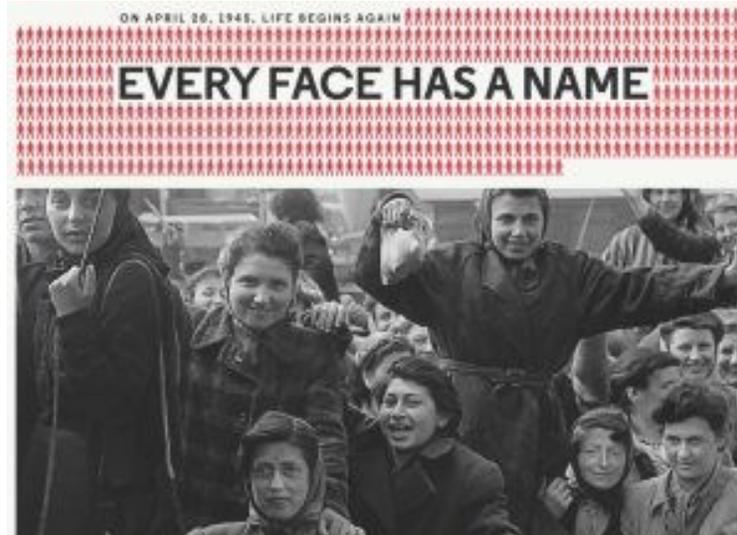
Sarasota County Library System

EVENT

scgov.net/library



**SPECIAL
DOCUMENTARY
SCREENING
WITH THE
DIRECTOR**



On April 28, 1945, life begins again. As hundreds of Holocaust Survivors from concentration camps arrive in the harbor of Malmö, Sweden, news teams capture and televise their images. Seventy years later, those same Survivors view the archival footage of their arrival to Sweden, re-experiencing the emotions of the day and sharing their stories.

Award winning director Magnus Gertten will conduct a Q&A after the screening.



Selby Public Library - Geldbart Auditorium

6pm, NOVEMBER 2

All programs are free and open to the public and subject to cancellation or change without notice. Parking and seating may be limited.



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