

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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Today's Speaker:

Nancy Roucher – Sarasota Jazz Club



Nancy Roucher is a professional arts consultant with an extensive background in arts education and community arts management. She has been involved with a number of local organizations, including the Arts & Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County, The Education Foundation, SCOPE (Sarasota County Openly Plans for Excellence) and Embracing Our Differences. She and her late husband,

Jerry, were part of the Jazz Club since moving here in 1986. She is currently the music chair of the club, which is entering its 38th year.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

August 30: Gus Mollasis – writer & movie critic

September 6: Katrine Karley – Feng Shui Master

September 13: Rotary Social

September 20: Tony Moon – songwriter

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
PIONEER PICNIC
Celebrating Sarasota's Heritage
12:00 PM
SUNDAY OCT. 8, 2017
ROBERTS SPORTS ARENA



PIONEER PICNIC

UPDATE

SPONSOR DOLLARS TO

DATE - \$4,100

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PREVIOUS MEETING (8/16/2017) by Dorothy Pratt

"Rotary was the heart and soul of polio eradication," speaker J.J. Hummon told Sarasota Rotarians. "Rotary has pledged \$57 million over the next three years." At its worst, polio peaked at 350,000 new cases in a year, forcing the widespread closing of public pools in 1952. The infection invaded the nervous system often causing paralysis and sometimes death. Children were its main victims.

Polio had reached a crisis stage in 1952 when public pools were closed to slow its spread. Hot spots for polio sprung up in Nigeria and other places around the world.

Then came Jonas Salk's vaccine, and the Rotarians who spearheaded vaccination programs around the world, joined by UNICEF, the Center for Disease Control, and many governments. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation came on board to help finance the end game.

"Rotary was very nimble in emerging response programs around the world," said Hummon, who is District 6960 Polio Plus Ambassador. "Rotary has the collective power to change the world."

Hummon said that 15 million cases and 650,000 deaths have been prevented by the immunization programs. In 1916 only 37 cases were diagnosed world-wide and eight cases this year. He estimates the economic benefit of eradication at \$40 to \$50 billion. The goal is to immunize children with three doses before age one and administer two additional doses before age five. There is still some resistance to vaccination from people who fear their children are being sterilized. Another target is finding and killing live viruses in such places as in sewage.

Many clubs raise funds by holding events such as wine tastings, 100-mile bike rides, and bowling tourneys.

[Join Us Every Saturday Morning for Coffee!](#)

**Saturday Mornings at 9:00am –
Panera Bread at Bahia Vista**

AND DON'T FORGET THE MONDAY NIGHT 5 PM
ROTATING HAPPY HOUR
THIS WEEK THE SOCIAL AT 1219 FIRST STREET
&
NEXT WEEK MATTISON'S ON MAIN

2016/2017 PRESIDENTIAL THEME: ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY

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