

# ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



CHARTERED APRIL 12, 1926

CLUB NUMBER 4339

DISTRICT 6960

ZONE 34

**PRESIDENT – JOE DEVORE**

Classification: Skilled Nursing Administration

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**SMILE** THE WEEKLY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Today's Program:

**Ben Bates**  
Rotary District 6960 Area 8  
Governor



Ben is a Real Estate Professional with Coldwell Banker's Downtown Sarasota office, which focuses on downtown, west-of-trail, and waterfront area homes, condos, and properties. He was on the University of Florida swim team and holds a Master's Degree from Vanderbilt.

Ben, of course, is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Sarasota. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and has sponsored two of our present members. He is married with one daughter.

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## Upcoming Programs:

- August 8 Dr. Rachel Shelly, Booker High Principal
- August 15 Ira Klein, Sarasota Swim Academy
- August 22 Kelly Ellington, Chris Renough School System - One Book Initiative
- August 29 Anya Keogh, Sarah Lodge  
Getting to Know our Members

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## Regular Social Gatherings

Saturday mornings at 9 a.m.

Panera Bread @ US 41 & Bahia Vista

## First Thursday Evening of the Month

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Amore

Burns Court, 446 South Pineapple Ave.

## Baloney Club 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays

Marina Jack Balcony before the regular meeting.

Club members and guests are welcome at all social gatherings. Be prepared to accomplish virtually nothing except getting to chat, laugh, and by chance learn something useful once in a while.

## A Rick Hughes Totally Irrelevant Factoid

100 years ago a Twenty Dollar bill and a Twenty Dollar gold piece were interchangeable. Either one would buy a new suit, new shoes and a night on the town. The Twenty Dollar gold piece will still do that.

## PREVIOUS MEETING (7/25/18)

President Joe Devore conducted a Club Assembly. One of the goals the club's board of directors is for club operations to be more open so members will be more involved. This began with previous SMILE issues which published the financial status of the club and its charitable arm, the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation. In the future, after minutes of the monthly meetings of the club's board of directors and quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation have been approved, they will be published in the SMILE.

The club's board, at its last meeting, voted to cap membership at 115. When this number is reached, the membership committee will maintain a waiting list. A photo of the club's Membership Proposal Form is on Page 2. It should be used when a member wishes to propose someone for membership. If members have any questions, please ask Andrea or someone on the Membership Committee.

President Joe discussed what is known as the Rule of 85. The club's Board of Directors voted to recommend a change to what is presently in the club's bylaws. For the change to be approved, two thirds of the members present at a regular meeting must approve of the change. Page 2 has an explanation of the Rule of 85, the club's present Rule of 85, and the proposed Rule of 85.

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ROTARY NIGHT AT THE  
OPERA  
OCTOBER 31, 2018 @ 6:15 p.m.

Cocktails and Hors de Oeuvres  
**THE BARBER OF  
SEVILLE**

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INFORMATION.

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