

# ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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**CLUB NUMBER 4339**  
**DISTRICT 6960**  
**ZONE 34**

**PRESIDENT – JOE DEVORE**  
Classification: Skilled Nursing Administration

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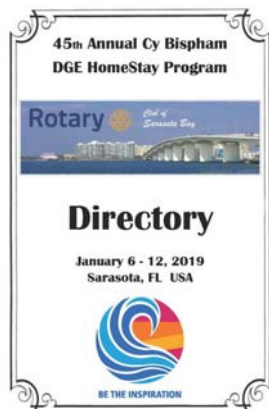
## TODAY'S PROGRAM



**MORGAN GERHART - ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR, THE PLAYERS CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS** Morgan's nonprofit career spans more than 17 years advocating for community awareness, charitable support, and measurable impact for organizations across Sarasota and Manatee. She says her roots and heart are in community theatre. From the age of four, she has been a part of the performing arts, benefitting from the confidence and discipline that comes from the whole theatre experience. Knowing that she can help introduce these unique formative opportunities to more families and individuals in our community through the growth of The Players Center for Performing Arts brings an important part of her life full circle.

Morgan currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Association of Fundraising Professionals SWFL, and Sarasota Musica Viva, and former board member of Sertoma Club of Sarasota, and Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital Sarasota/Manatee Guild.

### PREVIOUS MEETING (01/09/2019) BY JIM HENRY



Germany



Lichtenstein



Croatia



Zambia



Sweden

Pam Akins explained about Rotary International's practice of annually bringing Rotary's District Governors-Elect (DGE) from all over the world to the DGE International Assembly (IA), presently held in San Diego, CA. Many USA clubs invite DGEs to attend a week long HomeStay prior to the IA. The Sarasota Bay club has, for 45 years, sponsored a HomeStay. This year, as in many past years, our club members have hosted some of the DGEs. Pam then introduced the five District Governors-Elect (*hosted by Klaus Lang, Gail Maynard, Bob Stobaugh, Pam Akins, and Paul Mlotok respectively*) who were part of 18 DGEs representing 15 different countries in the weeklong exchange. PDG Jim Henry, who has hosted over 25 DGEs, says "The DGE HomeStay Program embodies the best of Rotary's international friendships."

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR - BOB GAGLIO**

**December/January Program Coordinator**  
**Bob Stone**

Jan 23 - Bill Johnston -Past President of the NYSE  
Jan 30 - Nikki Logan Curan, managing editor of The Scout Guide magazine

**February Program Coordinator**  
**Francine DiFilippo Kent**

**Rotarians Make the World Better,  
One Community at the Time.**



# 45TH ANNUAL DGE HOMESTAY PROGRAM

This was the 45th year of the Sarasota Bay Rotary Club's annual District Governor-Elect HomeStay Program, a weeklong program in which District Governors-Elect from around the world spend a week in Sarasota before going to the International Assembly in San Diego for training as Rotary governors.



Rotary International started training Governors-Elect at an International Assembly in 1919. Originally the Assembly was held at Rotary Headquarters in Chicago. In 1975, the International Assembly was moved to Boca Raton, FL and it was a natural extension that clubs in Florida would host the DGEs before the Assembly.

Although the Assembly eventually moved to California, the Sarasota Bay Club has been hosting a DGE HomeStay annually since it came to Florida.

Although this program is spearheaded by the Sarasota Bay Club, it involves many of the Rotary Clubs in this area. This year, 18 DGEs are staying with Rotarians from 7 different clubs, involving about 40 hosts and volunteers.

**This year's host from the Rotary Club of Sarasota Club were Gail Maynard, Bob Stobaugh, Paul Mlotok, Klaus Lang, and Pam Akins.**

**Gail** hosted Magdalena Frommelt from District 2000 of Liechtenstein.

**Bob and Chris** are hosted Danijel Jozic and his wife, Ana, of District 1913 from Croatia.

**Paul and Kathleen** hosted Claes-Henrik Martinsson and his wife, Ewa Nylander, from District 2360 in Sweden.

**Klaus and Barbara** hosted Jan Mittelstaedt and his wife, Tanja, from District 1930 in Germany.

**Pam and Barry** hosted Chisambwe Douglas Katengo and his wife, Kasonde, of District 9210 in Zambia.

**PER THE BYLAWS THE PROPOSED SLATE SHOULD BE ADVERTISED IN THE SMILE TWICE PRIOR TO BRINGING TO A FULL CLUB VOTE.**

#### **FULFILLING VACATED AND OPEN BOARD POSITIONS:**

*Steve Cork to replace Heather Gillon (2020)*  
*Peg Cork –to replace Andrea Nierenberg (2020)*  
*Pam Akins – to occupy Open Board Seat (2022)*

#### **FULFILLING BOARD POSITIONS OF TERMS EXPIRING IN 2019:**

*Dan Smith – Has agreed to stay for another term (2021)*  
*Bob Stobaugh – Agreed to stay. (2023)*  
*Drew Adams – Agreed to stay (2023)*  
*David Bowman Jr. – Agreed to stay (2021)*

#### **THE PROPOSED 2019-2020 SLATE OF OFFICERS**

*Jeff Meyer – President*  
*Laura Randall – President Elect*  
*Lee-En Chung – Vice President*  
*Joe Devore – Immediate Past President*  
*Anya Keogh – Secretary*  
*Bob Stobaugh – Treasurer*  
*Drew Adams – Sergeant At Arms*