

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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DISTRICT 6960

ZONE 34

PRESIDENT – JOE DEVORE

Classification: Skilled Nursing Administration

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Seminar 4 Tomorrow's Leaders

S4TL is one of Rotary's original youth services program. It is for students beginning their senior year. This highly effective seminar combines lectures and discussions on career knowledge, international understanding, service opportunities, small group leadership, and team development experience and exercises. The Rotary Club of Sarasota, a pioneering S4TL sponsor, annually budgets to send two delegates and works with the Boys and Girls of Sarasota in selecting the delegates. This year, due to other clubs not sponsoring candidates, the club has the opportunity to work with the Boy and Girls Club to fund two more delegates.



S4TL Dates: June 16, 2019 to June 22, 2019

Location: Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida

Cost to Student Delegate: "0"

Cost to Clubs: \$700 per Delegate

Delegate Application Form due: April 30, 2019

TWO MEMBERS HAVE CALLED AND COMMITTEED \$100 EACH. ANYONE ELSE CARE TO HELP SEND A MEMBER FROM THE SARASOTA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TO S4TL?

RED and **NEW BLUE** badgers (*last six months*)

The membership committee invites you to attend a club Orientation session at Beulah, 1766 Main Street, 5:30 to 7:00 pm April 25. We know that since you have been inducted into our club that you probably have questions regarding Rotary in general, and our club's customs, practices and operations. You may even have some suggestions on modernizing. Some club officers and committee chairs will be available to listen and answer you questions while you, and your significant other (*if interested*), enjoy hors d'oeuvres and beverages.

SAVE THE DATES

April 4 6:00 pm — Scavenger Hunt at Jessie White's Sarasota Architectural Salvage

April 24 - Due to the Annual Boat Show, our regular meeting will be at Lamborghini Sarasota, 5141 Clark Road.

April 25 5:30 until 7 pm — New Member Orientation for Red and new Blue Badge members.

Beulah 1766 Main Street (in the back room.)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR - BOB GAGLIO

April Program Coordinator
Lee-En Chung

April 10 — Victor Young — Sarasota Metropolis Soccer Team

April 17 - Dr. Eric Haura – Moffitt Lung Cancer Center

April 24 - NO MEETING AT MARINA JACK DUE TO BOAT SHOW
MEETING WILL BE AT LAMBORGHINI SARASOTA
5141 Clark Road A chance to dream!

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



TODAY'S PROGRAM



Stephanie Sonnabend is a change agent who is passionate about making the world a better place. Today Ms. Sonnabend is a director, speaker, executive coach and consultant, with a special focus on family businesses, transitions and succession planning for boards, CEOs, senior executives and organizations. In 2010, Ms. Sonnabend co-founded 2020 Women on Boards, a national campaign to increase the percentage of women on U.S. company boards to 20 percent or greater by 2020. She is an inspirational speaker, educating audiences about advancing their careers and preparing for board service.

As CEO and President of Sonesta International Hotels Corporation, Ms. Sonnabend led a publicly held (NASDAQ) family-controlled, global hospitality management and franchise company through numerous business cycles and major crises. She built a strong corporate culture applauded by the industry and resulting in longevity of employees at all levels. She spearheaded significant international growth, launched a new brand, and rebranded 21 hotels in six months.

Ms. Sonnabend currently is an advisor to SAFR, a startup ridesharing company focused on empowering women drivers and riders. For eighteen years, she served on the Board of Century Bank and Century Bancorp, where she was a member of the Audit Committee and chaired the Asset Liability (risk) Committee. She also served for four years as a director of SVN, a privately held commercial real estate franchisor. She has chaired numerous committees (facilities, marketing, strategic planning, nominating, governmental affairs) on higher education boards of trustees and on association and governmental boards.

PREVIOUS MEETING (03/27/2019) BY RON RAYEVICH



I lived in the South just as segregation was ending, but I caught enough of it to understand how it impacted the African-American community where I was located. Today, that period seems like long ago, but for those who lived through it, it is important to remember those who helped change society here in Sarasota. **Vickie Oldham** and her two colleagues, **Troy Nichols** and **Walter Gilbert**, gave us a taste of what **Newtown Alive** is all about. **Vickie** is best known as a reporter and TV host at ABC, but she is also very passionate about causing residents and visitors to take a deeper look at the Newtown's history. **Newtown Alive** is a research study which has brought together much of our local African-American community's fragmented history and offers trolley tours of the area. **Troy Nickols** sings on the tours and offered the club his rendition of "Lovely Day" and "I'll Be There" and **Walter Gilbert** gave us some of the background on some of the Newtown's heroes, including those who began the local chapter of the NAACP and their fight for local beach access in the mid 1950s. Thanks **Vickie**, **Troy** and **Walter** for reminding us of those difficult times in the past and those who helped overcome the segregation in our community.

REMAINING PANTRY TIMES AND DATES

Alta Vista

1:45 to 4:00 pm

April 4
April 18
May 2
May 16



Emma E. Booker

1:45 to 3:30 pm

April 9
April 23
May 14

NOTICE

To stimulate public awareness and give the public an opportunity to participate in helping Sarasota County students achieve top place in the State's third reading level (in systems with over 2,000 students), an on-line campaign is underway. It would be helpful for Rotarians to help us lead the way by making others aware of this goal.

CLUB MEMBERS ARE NOT TO FEEL PRESSURED TO CONTRIBUTE MORE THAN THEY ALREADY HAVE.