

# ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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### ZOOM MEETING WEDNESDAY



We will be conducting our first Zoom Club meeting this coming Wednesday, the 29th of April. Our speaker is Jim Shirley, Executive Director of the Arts and Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County. Jim will be discussing the impact of Covid-19 on the Arts and how they will help our community recover. His photo and bio is on the next page.

Please click on the link below to gain access to the meeting. Let me know if you have questions or need assistance with Zoom, and I will do all I can to help you. Please understand I am somewhat Zoom illiterate which is why I have relied on Laura Randall for her expertise...thank you, Laura!!

I look forward to seeing everyone (or at least your faces) next Wednesday.



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8941286978>

### WEEKLY SATURDAY ZOOM

All club members are invited to zoom in to the regular Saturday Panera gathering.

**Topic: Saturday morning at Panera**

**Time: 9:00am -10:30am**

As on actual Saturdays, drop ins and outs are welcome

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/803271116>

**Meeting ID: 803 271 116**

**One tap mobile**

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*Editor's comment: These zooms are wonderful. Excellent conversations, and my son Richard usually will give us an update on the Covid 19 and coronavirus situation at Sarasota Memorial. He also is excellent at answering questions. Quite often there are stories about each other week in 'quarantine' or 'physical isolation.' Since it is now announced as a regularly scheduled Zoom meeting, we might even get lucky and have a hacker or two interrupt the normal politically correct social bantering with something R or X rated. One can only hope. JR*

## OUR SPEAKER THIS WEEK



**Jim Shirley** is the Executive Director of the Arts and Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County. He is a long-time Sarasota resident with extensive ties to the arts and cultural community. Prior to joining the Alliance, Jim served as Director of Development for PAL Sailor Circus.

Jim holds a Bachelors degree from the University of Central Arkansas and has more than 30 years experience in sales, marketing and management. Prior to entering the non profit world, he owned and managed a highly successful executive search firm for over 20 years.

The Arts and Cultural Alliance is a member-powered organization passionate about building appreciation, participation and support for arts and culture. Founded in 1986 by a group of committed citizens, the Alliance has administered over \$22 million in grants to area artists and arts organizations. The Alliance enhances the connection between the community and regional arts and culture by strengthening cooperation among business, community and elected leaders, audiences and the public. This is achieved through arts advocacy, education and arts appreciation events.

## CORONAVIRUS HUMOR

A husband and wife were grocery shopping. He picks up a case of beer and puts it in the cart. "What are you doing?" asks the wife. "They're on sale, only \$10 for 24 cans" he replies. "Put them back, we can't afford them", demands the wife. They continue shopping. Later on, she puts a \$20 jar of face cream in the basket. "What are you doing?" asks the husband. "It's my face cream. It makes me look beautiful," replies the wife. He said, "So does 24 cans of beer and it's half the price." That's him in Aisle 5!



## BOOKS FOR THOSE WHO STILL CAN'T COME OUT TO PLAY

BY RON RAYEVICH

Here are two more books that I really enjoyed. My wife, Helen, read both and enjoyed them as well. The first is set in South America, and the second is set in Idaho. The latter was reported to be former President Obama's favorite book. Both are true stories.

**Silver, Sword, and Stone** by *Marie Arana* - The author is a brilliant native of South America who lives in the U.S. and writes about why Mexico, Central America, and South America are so different from Canada and the US. Her insight involves the search for precious metals (*Silver*) in Mexico and South America, those who conquered (*Sword*) these areas from the native civilizations, and how religion (*Stone* - *you'll get it when you read it*), both native religions and that of their conquerors impacted these areas, and still do today. This is also a great vocabulary builder as every few pages introduced an English word I had to look up.

**Educated** by *Tara Westover* - When your parents never let you go to school, how exactly do you succeed in life. This is Tara Westover's true life story from growing up in fundamentalist Mormon household in Idaho with a father who is little nuts, and five brothers and sisters. It illustrates the struggle by Tara and two of her siblings to escape a life of near poverty and to learn and understand the real world and yet somehow try to remain part of a family that is her heritage. It's a terrific read, and I'm sure many of you my have already enjoyed it as it's one of the more popular books. If not, you have no excuse now.



# Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation

Lifetime Giving as of April 1, 2020  
(Please read the explanation on the back.)

First Name      Last Name

## Over \$10,000

John	Jakes
William	Jotham
Richard	Rehmeyer

## \$5,000 to \$9,000

Jim	Henry
Jack	LeFrock
Jon F.	Swift

## \$2,500 to \$4,999

Charles	Alkire
Jayne	Cory
Dan	Dannheisser
Kenneth G.	Dean
Frederick M.	Derr
Timothy G.	Herring
Kumar	Mahadevan
Laura	Plum
Ronald L.	Rayevich
Nicholas M.	Rossi
Howard	Stanton
Joel W.	Walters

## \$1,000 to \$2,499

Drew	Adams
Roy	Adams
Peter D.	Bartys
David G.	Bowman, Jr.
Joseph	Devore
Francine	DiFilippo Kent
Joseph	Formella
Rick	Hughes
Klaus A.	Lang
Susan	Leavis
Vicente Z.	Medina
Michael	Melnick
Suzanna A.	Norbeck
William	North
David	Pilston
Dorothy S.	Pratt
Howard W.	Rooks
Jo	Rutstein
William	Sadlo
Lois	Schaper
Dan	Smith
George J	Straschnov
Joan B	Verizzo

# Lifetime Giving to the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation

## I. Background Information and Records

Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation (RCSF) did not maintain a donor data base prior to contracting with *Network for Good*. The RCSF contracted with *Network for Good* in November, 2018 to:  
to enable receiving online credit and debit card donations, and  
to establish and maintain an accurate donor data base.

## II. Method of Estimating Donations Made Prior to Contracting with *Network for Good*

The donors' original data base entry, dated November 1, 2018, was estimated by Jim Henry (JRH.) JRH asked Executive Secretary Bonnie Calvert for the names and amounts of members of record who had been donating quarterly. With that, JRH went back to the date the member was inducted into the club and did the arithmetic. *(For example, if a member was listed as donating \$25 per quarter and was inducted into the club in January, 1990, it was estimated that they had donated \$100 per year for 28 years, or \$2,800. This value became the original donor base estimate.)*

To this original estimate, JRH added all contributions of record made:

- through Giving Challenges in which the club has participated, and
- recognized by thank you letters kept in JRH's files and all other files that could be located. *(These letters were cross-referenced with some other RCSF's records. Any questionable record was credited in favor of the donor.)*
- Discussions with some long time members about JRH recalled and donor-known donations.
- By reviewing a few financial records regarding donations restricted to specific projects, such as *Stop the Smoke* and *Wheelchairs*.

The resulting total became each donor's November 1, 2018 initial data base entry record. Please note that the initial entry does not include Happy Dollar, Birthday, or Anniversary contributions.

**This method of estimating donations prior to November 1, 2018 is obviously subject to error and/or omissions, particularly for long time members. Please contact JRH if any member:**

- **would like to know the actual dollar value of their estimated Lifetime Giving whether or not your name is on the list.**
- **would like to have your estimated Lifetime Giving explained and/or revisited.**

## III. Donations made after November 1, 2018

All contributions to the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation (RCSF) after November 1, 2018, made by quarterly invoice or check are manually recorded, which is subject to human error. Online donations are automatically recorded to the donor and recognized electronically, regardless of the amount donated. To put it another way the RCSF data base records \$ givers, \$ recognitions by givers, and \$ matches, not \$ gets. Cash donations, as in Happy Dollars, are not recorded.

## IV. April 28-29, 2020 Giving Challenge

Giving Challenge contributions, because they are made through another vendor, will be manually added to club members' donation record as will the following:

The Patterson Foundation's Match to the club member's contribution,  
Contributions made by donors who recognize the club member, and  
The Patterson Foundation's match to the donor's contribution.

*(For example, if member XYZ donates \$100 through the Giving Challenge, the donation and its match, or \$200, will be added to XYZ's record in the data base. If donor ABC makes a donation and recognizes XYZ on the donation form in any fashion, then ABC's donation and its match will be added to XYZ's record in the data base.)*

