



The SMILE

August 5, 2020

ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA

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The Four Way Test of Things we Think, Say or Do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

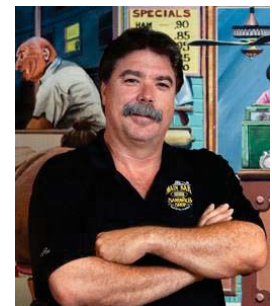
Upcoming speaker

August 12.....Sheriff Tom Knight,
Sheriff, Sarasota County

This week's speaker

Chip Beeman, Owner Pastry Arts Café & Main Street Sandwich Shop

Chip Beeman and his wife Kate, own the Main Street Sandwich bar and the Pastry Art Café, both on Main Street in Sarasota.



The Main Bar was established as a sandwich shop in 1958 by retiring circus performers Antonio (Charlie) Borza and his wife Thea. Inspired by her home town of Florence, Italy, Thea created what has now become "Our Famous Italian." Chip and Kate have maintained The Main Bar as the institution that it has become in Sarasota. The Famous Italian Sandwich is more popular now than it was in 1958 when it was first introduced by Charlie and Thea. The Main Bar Sandwich Shop, has over 50 different sandwiches to choose from. Chip will talk about the famous restaurant, it's rich history, and will address the challenges of running a restaurant during these turbulent times.

July 29th Meeting Recap

By Bonnie Calvert

Thank you to **Heather Kasten**, the first woman President and CEO of the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce which was established 100 years ago. Heather is fond of Rotary and was a Rotarian back in the 1990's in the St. Louis area when the price of lunch was \$4.00.

In the early days the Chamber was instrumental in separating Sarasota and Manasota Counties, bringing railroads, roads, mosquito control and bridges. The Chamber is currently working with local businesses struggling because of the COVID pandemic, conducting programs including Leadership Sarasota, Youth Leadership, Career Education and continuing to be a source of information for local businesses and assisting out of state businesses to relocate to the Sarasota area. Heather emphasized the importance of supporting local business always but especially now when they are struggling to stay afloat.

If you are interested in learning more about the venue for our meeting, Check out [Libby's Neighborhood Brasserie](#).



**to our Emergency
Communications
Committee for
reaching out to our
members this
week! President
Elect Lee-En
Chung's leadership
is appreciated.**

What's next?

Where in the world is our speaker?

Out of an abundance of caution for our members and our community, we will continue to meet virtually via Zoom for the foreseeable future. Our team will be hitting the road to meet our speakers in their space. Zoom in this Wednesday and find out where **Chip Beeman** will take us!

Click [here](#) for the permanent lunch time link. The meeting ID is 850 7495 4959.

Celebrating a birthday this week:

Judy VanHouten - August 3

Kenneth Dean - August 4

Kevin Tighe - August 4

Rotary Club of Sarasota Monthly Board meeting

All members are invited to attend Club Board meetings. Meetings are traditionally held the second Monday of the month at 5:30pm. The meeting on August 10th will be held via Zoom and the link can be found [here](#).

We encourage all members to bring their ideas and thoughts for consideration. To have an item added to the agenda, please email President Laura Randall, laurarandall813@gmail.com, ahead of the meeting.



Fellowship on the Links!

Rotary Golf continues, twice weekly - 3 pm Wednesdays and Saturday (weather permitting). Play nine socially-distant holes at Bent Tree Country Club with other Rotarians. To play, text Roy Adams at 812-369-6963 e-mail to Rdjadams@aol.com

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