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ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA

CHARTERED APRIL 12, 1926
CLUB NUMBER 4339
DISTRICT 6960
ZONE 34
PRESIDENT – LAURA RANDALL

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 speakers

Feb. 24.....Bill Jotham
 Mar. 3.....Kurt Hoffman,
 Sheriff, Sarasota County
 Mar. 10.....Francine DiFilippo

This Week's Speaker

Hagen Brody Mayor, City of Sarasota



In late 2020, Hagen Brody was selected as Sarasota's new Mayor. It is a ceremonial position, but Sarasota City Commissioner Hagen Brody has been installed in this position.

Mayor Brody's term expires in 2022. Mr. Brody is a Sarasota native, attending Brookside Middle School, Sarasota High School (Tennis State Champion). He attended the University of California, Santa Barbara receiving his B.A. there and was a Division I Tennis Team Captain. Mayor Brody attended the University of Miami, School of Law, where he obtained his J.D.

Mayor Brody is a Former Prosecutor and Attorney at Fowler Law Group. He is a member of the Sarasota County Bar Association, a member of the Board of Directors Teen Court of Sarasota, and a Board Member and Volunteer of the Booker High School Mock Trial Coach

February 10th Meeting Recap

by Francine Difilippo

The Club had the pleasure of hosting several representatives of the various aspects of the Gulfstream / US 41 roundabout construction in the newest up to date presentation of the project. The material should answer many questions that the public has. Since our Rotary Club meets at Marina Jack and our weekly meetings may be affected by traffic issues, we got a first shot at this presentation.

Jim Nichols the project supervisor and Alice Ramos community outreach specialist (complaint department) (email Alice.Ramos@dot.state.fl.us) both work for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). On a project this large the state has employed the services of a contractor to do the work. Pinky Pakalapati who works for CDM Smith is the sub-contracting firm. CDM Smith also did the work on the 10th street roundabout nearing its final completion. The delays in that project were explained.

There are 4 phases to the project which is scheduled to commence next month. It is hoped to be completed in one year and breaks down as follows.

Phase IA	100 days
Phase IB	60 days
Phase IIA	90 days
Phase IIB	<u>100 days</u>
	350 days in total

For current project information you can visit the project web site, email the community outreach team or call the project hotline. Complete descriptions and video diagrams of the work to be done and the construction activities along with traffic flow patterns throughout each phase are available and will be updated. You should go to the FDOT web site www.swflroads.com/gulfstreamroundabout/ The hotline number is 941-217-7772.

There are bonuses for early completion and penalties for delayed completion of the project unless unforeseen circumstances present themselves. The 10th street project for example was delayed because of the discovery of sea walls and large fuel tanks requiring EPA disposal of hazardous waste under the road from a marina that had operated there.

It is expected that there will be little disruption and the actual construction inconveniences are not expected to occur during tourist season. Each phase has traffic flow delineated including the use of, or change of, traffic lights at Golden Gate point, etc.

the use of the H.A.W.K. systems for pedestrians needing to enter and cross through the roundabout and adjacent roads was also discussed and explained. A HAWK beacon (High-Intensity Activated crossWalk beacon) is a traffic control device used to stop road traffic and allow pedestrians to cross safely. It is officially known as a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB). The purpose of a HAWK beacon is to allow protected pedestrian crossings, stopping road traffic only as needed.

For visitors to the Marina Jack complex, entrance will be the same but upon exiting Marina Jack, rather than making a left or drive through to lower Main Street because of traffic routing, automobiles and pedestrians, will have to make a right-hand turn, go through the parking lot to Ringling Blvd light to head in an easterly direction.

Congratulate our new leadership!



At the last meeting of the Board of Directors, your Board voted to elect Steve Cork as Vice-President following the resignation of Dan Smith from that position. Dan has agreed to serve out this term as Treasurer, replacing Steve in that role. Please join me in thanking them for their leadership and commitment to our Club and our community!



Rotary Leadership Training

On January 30th President Lee-En Chung attended the Public Speaking course at the recent District Leadership Training event. Lee-En's preparing to lead meetings and our Club

2/14 - Peter Bartys,
2/19 - Maarten Meckman
2/20 - Andrea Nierenberg



DO-GOODERY

Well done, volunteers!



Thank you!

Now cleaning your closet is helps children.

As you clean your closet for the new year, plan to bring your gently used shoes to a Club meeting and give them a second life - helping children in Africa. Collection will begin in early February. PLEASE BRING SHOES IN INDIVIDUAL BAGS TO HELP OUR INTERACTORS.

*No Donuts for Rotarians, just good will.



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Interact



Let's get social!

You can now find the Rotary Club of Sarasota on Facebook and Instagram

@RotaryClubOfSarasota. We'll post photos and stories so you can share.



Is it fair to all concerned?

As Rotarians we need to be aware of the behavior expected of us. Conducting ourselves in adherence to this code of conduct can help us all act in the Rotary spirit.

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities; report any suspected harassment; and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment



2020-2021 Rotary Club Board of Directors

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