

# The Rotary Club of Sarasota Keys

## Key Notes

December 29, 2011



Rotary Club of Sarasota Keys  
Area 9 District 6960 Club No. 4342  
District Governor: Denise Hearn  
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## It Has Been A Mighty Good Year!!!!



This will be our last meeting for 2011. As we reflect, I think that we can all agree that this has indeed been a good year.

Kudos are in order to our **President Jack Geldi** he has done a tremendous job at the helm. We are equally indebted to **Tom MacCabe** for his stellar job as President of the Sarasota Keys Foundation. We have a lot to boast about but we can't rest upon our laurels just yet.

2012 has a lot in store. Get ready for our clubs First **Reverse Raffle**, you may be the lucky winner of a \$2,000.00 Grand Prize. Plans are already under way for the **Valentines Day Celebration**. Tony has already begun to gather information for the upcoming **Diabetes walk. The Service Above Self Awards** and the **Youth Awards Programs** are swiftly approaching. Scott Suplee will be chairing this years **Golf Tournament**. We do a lot of good for a lot of people. This year we will also show our support to veterans for their service to our country.

Our club has created an alliance with the Sarasota Bay Rotary Club. We will work cooperatively together to accomplish the goals and aims of Rotary. We have already seen the effects of this collaboration as we united our forces for the **Salvation Army Bell Ringing**. Kudos to past **President Liliane Sealy Schrock** for her efforts in coordinating this project.

The 2012 slate of officers is quite impressive. **Rick Thie** will serve as **President**; **Jim Freeman** as **Vice President**; **Bill Sikes**, **Treasure**; **Lee Waters** as **Secretary** and **Scott Suplee** as **Sergeant-at-Arms**.

On last week Rick ran the show. Without question I think we all can agree that he is going to continue the tradition of excellence that our club is known for.

I have briefed you on what's ahead now let's take a quick look at some of the projects that we have accomplished thus far. To date we have completed our **Second Annual Diners**

**Delight.** We have supplied **Dictionaries to four local schools** and sent them to **four foreign countries**. We held the clubs **first Holiday Celebration of Saint Lucia**. Congratulations and complements are in order for our Chef and Host, **Maria Squattrito**.

This year saw another first for our club as we participated in the **Pancreatic Caner Walk** and lent our financial support to a program sponsored by the **Cancer Support Community**.

We have supported **our Interact Club** and the **Health Care career club** and sent a candidate to **s4tl**. We've hosted several **Business 2 Business** networking events.

Though we relocated we landed in a stellar spot on the Circle with first class dining. We are adding new members, and have had a steady stream of visitors from all around the globe. **Our fame is spreading.**

Last week the folks at our nations capital were so impressed that they sent a representative to check us out. Pictured above is a guest from the **Rotary Club of Capital Hill**. That's right D.C. is watching us and they want to know how we do it. I will conclude by simply stating the obvious. **"Its been a Mighty Good Year!"**

## Members Corner



All the Bell Ringers should be congratulated. You all did a great job. **Liliane** put a lot of time and effort into this project. What's more important, this year we have seen something that I have thought all Rotarians should have been involved in for years, **Cooperation between Clubs**. **The Rotary Sunrise club** helped the **Interact club** of Pine View school run a Food Fare for over 1200 people in Sarasota. Five clubs including our club donated \$100 to help them.

**Lilliane** was instrumental in getting Bell

Ringers from the **Sarasota Bay Club** to assist us. I personally relieved two of them and then I was relieved by two **Bay Club** member as well as **Interact** members. This is a great effort by Rotarians. I hope the District Governor is made aware of this.

I have a feeling when the amounts are tallied we will be the club that collects the most for the Salvation Army.

Oh yes, I forgot on December 21,2011 I had my Grandson and a friend ringing the Bell. the Big draw for us was my grandsons Yorkie dog. I am sure many people especially with kids would not have donated if the dog was not there to greet them.

I Just received notice the **Juvenile walk to cure Diabetes** is on April 14,2012. This year you can sleep an hour later, Registration is at **( 9AM.not 8 AM)** The walk

will be at **Lakewood Ranch**. I know this is an early notice but put it on your calendar. Also to be noted it is not called Juvenile Diabetes. It is Just Diabetes walk. I will keep you advised of all the details as I receive them. April will be busy. It is also the **Relay for Life cancer walk** which is always at Sarasota High School.

**Lunch today; Caf e L' Europe Salad** (Mixed greens, tomato, cucumber, carrots, artichoke hearts, balsamic vinaigrette); **Chicken Kavalla** ( Breast of chicken stuffed with feta, spinach and crab, lemon buerre blanc); **Dessert, Key Lime Pie**

**Wisdom Of the Ancients:** *An educated man is not necessarily a learned man or a University man, but a man with certain subtle spiritual qualities which makes him calm in adversity, happy when alone, just in his dealings, and sane in all affairs of life.*

**Tony I.**

#### Upcoming Dates

January 3  
February 9  
March 8  
March 12  
March 15  
April 14  
April 19

Rotary evening with Itzhak Pearlman  
Valentine's Day luncheon  
Youth Awards Banquet  
Golf Tournament  
Reverse Raffle  
Juvenile Diabetes Walk  
Service Above Self Luncheon

## Keys Rotary Club Officers

**President**—Jack Geldi

**Secretary** Lee Waters

**Sergeant -at-Arms**— Scott Suplee

**Past President**—Liliane Sealy-Schrock

**President Elect**— Rick Thie

**Treasurer**—Bill Sikes

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## Inter – Club Fellowship Opportunities

**Monday:** Gateway -- Mulligans Grille at Bobby Jones -- noon;  
Southside - 5:30 Libby's Restaurant

**Tuesday:** Sarasota Bay -- Van Wezel; Gulf Gate - Mattison 41 - noon

**Wednesday:** Sarasota -- Marina Jack --noon

**Friday:** Sunrise Dutch Heritage -- 7:00 am

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