



THE 4-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



The Weekly Smile

Rotary Club of Sarasota

February 11, 2015

Wednesday at 12:00pm at Marina Jack Restaurant • Chartered April 12, 1926 • Member District 6960

EVENTS

Sarasota Art Festival meetings will be after the Club Meetings on 2nd Wed. of the month.

TRF Committee meetings will be after the Club Meetings on 1st Wed. of the month.

The Rotary Club of Longboat Key meets Wednesdays at Amore restaurant, 555 Bay Isles Road. Camaraderie begins 4:00 pm, meeting 4:30-5:30. Appetizers served, Happy Hour cash bar. \$15 (\$25 couples). For more information, contact sydel@lclaw@aol.com

REGULAR SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Golf: Bent Tree, Wednesdays at 2:20 & 2:28. E-mail RDJWAdams@aol.com by noon Tuesday if you want to play.

Breakfast: Saturdays 8:30 am at Panera Bread, 41 & Bahia Vista.

Dining for Women will be the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Sarasota Bay Club. Please go to our website to sign up.



A great time had by all at Fiesta Siesta!

Vincente preparing the delicious, no calorie flan and a special performance by the flamenco dancers.



THIS MEETING *John Annis & Kirsten Russell* on Local & National Grade Level Reading Initiatives

The 2013 Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) revealed that on average only 70% of Sarasota County's 3rd graders were reading at grade-level. An alarming number of children—about 67 percent nationwide and more than 80 percent of those from low-income families—are not proficient readers by the end of third grade. This has significant and long-term consequences not only for each of those children but for their communities, and for our nation as a whole. The Campaign for Grade-Level Reading was launched to reverse this potentially catastrophic trend by supporting common-sense solutions at the federal, state, and local levels.



Kirsten Russell is the Initiative Consultant for the Campaign for Grade Level Reading and John Annis is the Senior Vice President of Community Investment at the Community Foundation of Sarasota County. In this role, he leads the team responsible for grants, scholarships and nonprofit services including The Giving Partner. In addition to John's corporate and military experience, he has a long history of volunteering and supporting nonprofit organizations. He most recently completed his term as Board Chair of the United Way of Manatee County.

NEXT MEETING *Vicki Bartz, Tidewell Hospice*

Vicki is a Community Relations Representative for Tidewell Hospice, covering north Sarasota County and all of Manatee County. She has been with Tidewell for 6-1/2 years. She has over 20 years of marketing experience, primarily in the banking industry. Prior to that she worked in the Human Relations field. Vicki has a son and 3 grandchildren and enjoys travel... especially to their place in NC. Rick Hughes and Vicki are classmates from the 2013 graduating class of Leadership Manatee County.

LAST MEETING *Shaun Dumas, Oriental Medicine*

Shaun Dumas is a Doctor of Oriental Medicine, a practicing acupuncturist, and Professor of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Clinical Nutrition at the East West College of Natural Medicine in Sarasota. Acupuncture is a procedure over 3000 years old which helps with everything from weight loss and digestive improvement to the relief of pain and cessation of addictions, such as smoking, alcohol, and drugs. It was interesting to learn that it takes 3000 hours of study to become a Doctor of Oriental Medicine. - **Ron Rayevich**

