



### 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

March 11, 2015

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

## EVENTS

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

### The Rotary Club of Longboat Key

Meetings commence at 5:30 p.m. in Parish Hall at All Angels Episcopal Church, 563 Bay Isles Road (next door to the temple). Fellowship and registration will start at 5 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided by club members on a rotating basis. Bring your own beverage. For more information, contact [sydellelaw@aol.com](mailto:sydellelaw@aol.com)

## REGULAR SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

**Golf:** Bent Tree, Wednesdays at 2:20 & 2:28. E-mail [RDJWAdams@aol.com](mailto: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.

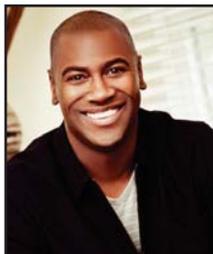
**MAKE-UP NOTE:** Members turning in make-up slips must put their meal cost on the make-up slip. If no meal cost is noted, credit will only be provided for attendance. Meal cost credit will be provided up to \$16.00. If your meal cost is less than \$16.00, credit will be provided for the amount paid for that lunch. This is an honor system. We appreciate your support.

**SMILE NOTE:** If you have information for the SMILE please e-mail Susan Leavis at [sleavis@gmail.com](mailto:sleavis@gmail.com) and Jim Henry at [jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com](mailto:jrhjr@jimhenrybooks.com) no later than the Friday before the Wednesday lunch meeting.

## CLUB CALENDAR

The club's web site has a calendar of events. Anyone who wants to put something on the calendar, such as meetings, should give details to our web master, Jim Henry.

## THIS MEETING



### Neil Phillips, Principal, Visible Men Academy

Neil is the Founder of Visible Men. He has over 25 years of experience as an educator, entrepreneur, coach, and youth advocate. Neil is regarded as a national thought leader and renowned speaker on black male achievement, minority education, character development, and youth empowerment.

## NEXT MEETING Kameron Hodgens, CEO & Executive Director of Glasser Schoenbaum Center

In October of 2014, Dr. Hodgens was honored to join the Glasser Schoenbaum Human Services Center, given the tremendous legacy of Dr. Kay Glasser, founder of the Center and former member of the Rotary Club of Sarasota, and the Schoenbaum family, who remain active community philanthropists. The Glasser/Schoenbaum Human Services Center is called the "Center of Caring" because it is home to over 18 non-profit health and human services agencies that help low income and at risk adults, children and families achieve and maintain productive lives as participating, contributing members of our community. The center occupies 14 buildings in a location selected for its accessibility by public transportation.



## LAST MEETING Drayton Saunders on the Sarasota Real Estate market



After a six year drought in construction in Sarasota, Drayton Saunders, President of Michael Saunders and Co., painted a very optimistic picture of the reenergized real estate market, particularly in downtown Sarasota. While Florida's newest state bird is the "crane" seen poking up in all directions with new construction projects underway, Drayton assured us that this time it won't be "boom and bust", but a true emergence of Sarasota as a dynamic growth market for many years to come. Of course the one big problem is how to move traffic through Sarasota and especially back and forth to the beach communities that so many come here to enjoy.

In some ways the growth of downtown is not the real traffic generator by itself, but the limited access to the beach communities seems to be the heart of the problem. Drayton suggested that by providing greatly improved and enjoyable public transport to the keys, much of the problem could be solved.

- Ron Rayevich