

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

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

If there are no objections, the following prospective members will be inducted.

Prospective Member	Sponsor	Classification
William (Bill) Furst	Dick Rehmeier	County Property Appraiser
Steven Stegall	Tom Zahn	Real Estate Appraiser

EVENTS

Rotary Foundation Committee meeting immediately after today's meeting. Other interested members welcome. Chair Nick Rossi.

Rotary Club of Longboat Key (in formation) meets 5:15 Wednesdays at the Lazy Lobster in the Centre Shops. Apps are served; beverages are available for purchase. \$8 is the requested contribution. Counts as makeup.

HAPPY HOUR

Aug 27 Sunset Social with the soon to be chartered Rotary Club of Longboat Key. 5:30-8:30. RSVP Sydelle at sydellelaw@aol.com for details. (JRH comment - Don't miss this one.)

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.

After Golf Dinner And Drinks: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Miller's Sarasota Ale House, 3800 Kenny Drive (Bee Ridge and Cattleman). Sign up at lunch or email Eugenerose@aol.com before 6 pm. **Non-golfers welcome.**

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

WHO AM I? I will wade into any discussion (religion, politics, world events, philosophy) and will debate both sides but will switch if my arguments are failing. I love to throw out "zingers", to see other's reactions.

(Answer will be revealed at the end of this Wednesday's lunch meeting.)

THIS MEETING THE FUTURE OF HEALTH CARE



Dr. Daniel Cooper, born in Rio de Janeiro and speaks English, Portuguese, French, Italian, Spanish and Yiddish, was one of a handful of doctors accepted for a Cardiology Fellowship at the Cleveland Clinic, the USA's #1 Hospital for cardiovascular diseases. After completing his Cardiology Fellowship, he subsequently did an additional Fellowship in Electrophysiology and Cardiac Pacing. During this time he participated in the surgery of implantable defibrillators while they were still under development. For his work with pacemakers he was awarded the prestigious Young Investigator Award by the Heart Rhythm Society. He has published medical articles, participated in several research projects, and given lectures at international Medical Congress venues. Dr. Cooper established his cardiology and medical practice in Sarasota in 1987, was the first Electrophysiologist in SW Florida, and developed the Electrophysiology Catheterization Lab of Sarasota Memorial and Doctor's Hospital.

NEXT MEETING GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - VERONICA BRADY AND JON THAXTON.



Veronica is Vice President - Philanthropy, and guides the Foundation's philanthropists to help them achieve their charitable goals. She has a long history in SW Florida and has won many awards for her endeavors. Jon, a former county commissioner, works with nonprofit organizations, donors, and other community partners to invest in projects that will transform our region and improve public policies.



LAST MEETING SELAH FREEDOM ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Elizabeth Fisher, President and CEO of Selah Freedom, and her colleague, Lindsey, gave us an overview of a problem in Sarasota and Manatee Counties that most of us didn't even know existed. Human trafficking for sex is a \$32 billion activity in the US and human drug trafficking is a \$35 billion activity. Both are dependent on young children who become alienated from society because of sexual abuse (1 of every 3 girls and 1 of every 5 boys). 92% of the human trafficking victims come from these groups. Selah Freedom's objective is to provide help to those caught up in the web of human trafficking by providing counseling and housing for those who want to escape from their handlers (pimps) and lead normal lives. Lindsey provides contact with our local police departments to obtain leads and win the confidence of those caught up in modern day slavery. The program involves 12 months of group housing followed by independent living with continued counseling. The biggest problem continues to be finding adequate safe housing. - **Ron Rayevich**