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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

Oct. 21.....Dr. Richard Levinson
Professor Emeritus, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

Oct. 28..... Darryl Keys,
District Governor, District 6960

This week's speaker

Rick Piccolo, President & CEO **Sarasota Bradenton International Airport**

Fredrick Piccolo has over forty-eight years' experience in the aviation industry and has been President, Chief Executive Officer of the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport since 1995. He began his career as a janitor at the Buffalo International Airport, and after earning a BS degree in Business Administration from the University of New York at Buffalo, held several airport positions that include Building Superintendent, Property Manager, Assistant to Airport Manager and Director of Operations.



Locally, he worked in the Operations Department at Tampa International Airport and prior to his position at SRQ, he was the Assistant Airport Director at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport.

Mr. Piccolo has served as President of the Florida Airports Council. He has achieved executive accreditation to the American Association of Airport Executives. Mr. Piccolo served as the 2007 Chairman of the Airports Council International – North America (ACI-NA), an aviation organization that represents local, regional, state, and national governing bodies that own and operate commercial airports in the United States, Canada, and the Virgin Islands. From 2013 through 2015, he also served as Chairman on the Board of Directors of Airports Council International - World, which unites all the airports in the world into a single organization. With the departure of the ACI-World Past Chairman in January 2018, he has accepted that position at the request of the ACI World Board through 2021.

The Florida Department of Transportation selected Mr. Piccolo as the 2005 Aviation Professional of the Year. The Federal Aviation Administration also chose him as the 2005 Airport Manager of the Year. In October 2009, Airport Revenue News announced Mr. Piccolo as the winner of the "Small Airport CEO of the Year for 2009." Mr. Piccolo is past Chair of the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and is a past recipient of the Premier Volunteer Award, an honor given for his significant leadership commitment to the Chamber and community. In November 2018, he was honored with the Rick Fawley Economic Development Award of Distinction presented by the Bradenton EDC. He is currently a member of the campus Board of Trustees, University of South Florida/Sarasota Manatee, serves on the Manatee Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and the Bradenton Economic Development Council Board of Directors. He was recently appointed to the Board of the Suncoast Aquatic Nature Center Association and currently serves as Chair of the United Way Suncoast Campaign ending in the spring of 2020.

Thank you

to Michael McGovern, Chair of the Rotary International PolioPlus Program, for his presentation. Please check this space next week for a recap of his remarks.

Celebrating Oktoberfest!



A bit of rain did not deter the Social Committee from hosting a fabelhaft Oktoberfest on October 3. Thank you to Rotarian Garrett for opening his home and Rotarian Judy and her committee for bringing authentic food, decor and entertainment to the evening!



Do-goodery opportunity

We have been invited by the Rotary Club of Longboat Key to join them in a project to support foster families for Thanksgiving. We will provide food boxes for underserved families with foster children. The partner agency is the Children's Guardian Fund. Our opportunities are to provide funding (\$60 per food box), do shopping at the LBK Publix which has signed on, and prep or deliver the boxes. More to come, but feel free to reach out to **Ruth McLaren** directly if you are interested in helping in any way.

Celebrating a Birthday this week...

Jayne Cory - October 13th



Ready to learn more about Rotary?

Rotary Leadership Class (formerly RLI) will be held by District 6960 on October 17, 2020 at the Cultural Center in Port Charlotte. Space is limited and COVID-19 protocols have been established for us all. **THE COST OF THE CLASS WILL BE REIMBURSED BY YOUR CLUB.**

Classes begin at 8:00 a.m. More details on the registration page on DACdb. click [here](#) to learn more or register

What's next?

We are heading back to Marina Jack!

Please join us in person on Wednesday, October 14 to hear CEO of SRQ airport, Rick Piccolo, speak. We will continue to present the meeting via zoom for those who do not wish to attend for health reasons. Click [here](#) for the permanent lunch time link. The meeting ID is 850 7495 4959.



Dining for Women is making a return in October



Dining for Women will resume on Tuesday, October 20 at 7:00pm via ZOOM. The project takes place in Kenya and offers widows in Kenya, who have been exploited, economic opportunity, financial literacy, access to capitol, knowledge, and health care.

The project will train and certify women as community paralegals to assist other women as they negotiate their future as widows.

Watch for the ZOOM address. Hope to see you there!

PIZZA & PINTS

TO END POLIO NOW

Join the **Rotary Club of Sarasota** and **Mellow Mushroom** for a special event as we come together on **World Polio Day.**

Guest Speakers

Entertainment

10%
Event sales will be donated to End Polio Now

Saturday Oct 24 from 3-6pm

RSVP: Judy JUDITHEARL8@hotmail.com

Mellow Mushroom Sarasota - 6727 S Tamiami Trail

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