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## **This Weeks's Speaker: Tom Barwin, City Manager, Sarasota.**

Tom Barwin began work as City Manager of City of Sarasota on September 1, 2012, following a national search. Barwin is Sarasota's seventh City Manager since 1945.

Prior to Sarasota, Barwin served six years as Village Manager in Oak Park, Illinois, and eight years as City Manager in Ferndale, Michigan. Oak Park is located on Chicago's western border, and Ferndale is located on Detroit's northern border.

Like Sarasota, Oak Park is home to over 50,000 full-time residents, with a traditional downtown that serves as a regional employment center and tourist center. Oak Park was home to Frank Lloyd Wright and Ernest Hemingway.

During Tom's administration, Oak Park was powered by 95% renewable energy, which won national acclaim and EPA environmental sustainability awards.

As City Manager in Ferndale, Michigan, Tom was credited with advancing urban bike lanes and multi-modal transit in Metropolitan Detroit, while leading an economic turnaround that transformed the community to one of Michigan's most vibrant, creative, and diverse communities.

Tom received his Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, Master's Degree from Central Michigan, and attended Harvard University's program tailored for Senior Executive in State and Local Government.

Tom is married to Margaret Bailey. Together they have raised four sons, Sean, Joe, Sullivan and Connor, and look forward to teaching their first grandchild, Hugh Lincoln Barwin, to swim and play tennis in Sarasota.

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**Next Week's Speakers: we'll hear from Sam Lowry with the Sarasota Opera & our own Charles Alkire with a Rotary Foundation update.**  
**November 16th: Margo McKnight...Florida Aquarium**

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**LUNA FEST – November 3 @ 7pm - Manatee Technical College**

**An evening of films for women, by women.**

**Benefit Breast Cancer Research and Girls, Inc.**

**Sponsored by the Zonta Club of Sarasota in memory of**

**Priscilla Haflich**

## **PREVIOUS MEETING (10/26/16) by Charlotte Ryan**

Shannon Stafford, Director of Advancement at Girls, Inc., informed us of the scope of activity at Girls, Inc. They conduct after school and summer programs where the focus is on the development of skills for life as the girls grow and develop into young women.

78% of girls are not happy with their bodies and have unprecedented focus on control of eating and body image. At Girls, Inc. the focus is on developing innate qualities not necessarily devoted to body image but rather to learning life skills. In addition, girls are inspired to be strong physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

Girls, Inc. serves 150 to 170 girls through 8th grade each year. The facility is located on Tuttle Ave and lessons are provided at school rooms *as well*.

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## **DINING FOR WOMEN**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:30PM**

**LOIS SCHAPER'S HOUSE – 5816 FAIRWAY LAKES DRIVE (PALM AIRE)**

**Hear about a project in Niger that target economic and environmental sustainability, agriculture and gender equality**

**BRING A DISH TO PASS A BEVERAGE OF YOUR CHOICE.**

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**Hope everyone had a nice Halloween!**



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**The Four 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?**

**2016/2017 PRESIDENTIAL THEME: ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY**