

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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SMILE THE WEEKLY CLUB NEWSLETTER

Today's Speakers

Scott Christensen, Dawn Donoghue Costco

Scott Christensen is the Costco Warehouse Manager at the Costco at Sarasota Square Mall. Originally from Utah, graduating with a BS in 1979 from the University of Utah, Scott has been in the retail industry for 40 years. He started his warehouse club career in 1981 in Arizona and joined Costco in 1983; now having served as a Costco GM for 32 years, including opening 6 building from coast to coast. During that time, Scott has seen Costco grow from 4 warehouses in the Pacific Northwest to 746 internationally, to become the world's second largest retailer with \$126 billion in revenue and 90 million members. Married to Lisa, with 7 children between them and 6 grandchildren, Scott opened the local warehouse in August of 2012. Joining Scott is Dawn Donoghue, Marketing Manager, and Carolyn Weirich.

WHEN PURCHASING FROM AMAZON, CONSIDER THE ROTARY CLUB OF SARASOTA FOUNDATION

The screenshot shows the Amazon Smile interface. At the top, it says "amazon smile Prime". Below that, it prompts the user to "Select a charity to start shopping" and provides a search bar. The search results show "Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation" as the top result. The search bar contains the text "Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation". Below the search bar, it says "Showing 1-5 of 5 Results" and "Sorted by: Relevance". The search results show "Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation" with a "Select" button. Below the search results, there is a link to "About" and "Alliance/Advocacy Organizations". The location is listed as "Sarasota FL" and the "Incorporation Year" is "1964".



The poster for the Pioneer Picnic event features the Rotary Club of Sarasota logo and the text "PIONEER PICNIC Celebrating Sarasota's Heritage MARK YOUR CALENDARS! 12:00 PM Saturday Feb. 3, 2018 ROBERTS SPORTS ARENA". Below the text is a photograph of a street scene in Sarasota, Florida, showing buildings, cars, and a sign for "HOTEL SARASOTA".

PIONEER PICNIC

A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT RECOGNIZING THE PIONEERS OF SARASOTA



**IN 1964,
SARASOTA CITY
HALL WAS ON THE
WATERFRONT.**

In 1975, Dale Brye, a Rotarian, respected contractor, and native Sarasotan, proposed a means of honoring Sarasota Pioneers. Midway Groves owner, Ray Skinner, Club president, helped Dale spearhead the effort, and Coast Federal Savings became a long time sponsor. The 1975 picnic hosted 35 pioneers. By 1985, after several relocations, the Club, with several commercial sponsors, hosted over 1,000. All proceeds beyond picnic expenses help Sarasota Rotarians build a better community and better world through the Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation.

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