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Today's Speaker:



Angela Hartvigsen :
EdExploreSRQ

Angela has served as the Fine Arts Program Specialist for the Sarasota County Schools (Florida) since 2009. Previous to that she was the orchestra director at Booker Middle School, the Sarasota's visual and performing arts magnet middle school from 2002-2009.

A National Board-certified educator, Angela has over 20 years' experience at all levels of public school music education in Florida and Colorado. She holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Florida State University and a Masters in Music (Violin Performance) from Colorado State University.

Angela is a successful grant writer, an active violinist and violist, and a sought-after educational conductor/clinician and adjudicator. She co-chairs Sarasota County's Community/Schools Partnership for the Arts Steering Committee and has extensive experience serving on district and state writing teams for curriculum and assessment.

She and her husband Jake are the proud parents of two boys.

For over 25 years, the Education Foundation of Sarasota County has supported arts curriculum through creative and engaging classroom experiences and field trips to local museums and theaters. In 2011, in partnership with The Patterson Foundation, the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, the Arts & Cultural Alliance, and numerous community arts organizations, EdExploreSRQ was created to connect teachers and students with hands on learning opportunities. Because of EdExploreSRQ, students have the opportunity to learn about fractions with dancers, physics at the circus, and history at the museum.

RED ALERT

**NEXT WEEK'S MEETING WILL BE HOSTED
BY THE SALVATION ARMY AT 1701 S.
TUTTLE AVENUE.**

PREVIOUS MEETING (4/4/18) by Rom Rayevich

I thought I knew a little about stem cells and what they could and could not do, but **Dr. Arash Farahvar, MD and PhD**, who is a **Neurosurgeon at RE3 Innovative Neuroscience Institute** at Sarasota Memorial Hospital, really brought us up to date as to the facts about stem cell transplantation.

While Dr. Farahvar's specialty is spinal cord and brain injuries, the use of stem cells is far more widespread. The stem cell is a undeveloped cell that can be harvested from a variety of sources from donors, which includes relatives of the patient and the particular patient. Even the patient's fat can be used to produce stem cells useful in a variety of surgical procedures, such a growing cartilage for knees and shoulders to replace cartilage lost through injury or old age. While some of the long term effects of stem cell therapy are still not fully understood, because this area of science is so new, the results from stem cell transplantation is very encouraging to those suffering from spinal injuries or other degenerative conditions.

Dr. Farahvar said the public knows less about stem cell therapy than many medications used to treat similar problems because, even though stem cell therapy may be less expensive, it is far less profitable to the pharmaceutical industry than current medications, and therefore there is no traditional sponsorship for stem cell therapy. Thanks for a great presentation Dr. Farahvar.

Regular Social Gatherings

Saturday mornings at 9 a.m.
Panera Bread @ US 41 & Bahia Vista

Last Monday Evening of the Month
5:30 p.m. Amore
Burns Court, 446 South Pineapple Ave.



New Member Bio

Erik Kent

Erik is the owner of Parker Robinson at 1521 Main Street. He is an ex-Marine and licensed interior designer, which he has practiced for over 45 years. Formerly from New Your, Erik retired and moved to Sarasota in 1996. He opened at his present location in 2002, dealing with interior design, dresses, special clothing, and jewelry.

<http://parkerrobinsonsarasota.com/>

Erik is a former member of the Rotary Clubs of Flushing and Manhasset, NY where he was instrumental is starting Gift of Life. He was also a member of the Rotary Club of Sarasota for several years.

(Jim Henry note: Erik's full fascinating bio will appear in the next issue of Eye into Why. In the meantime, ladies, you should visit Parker Robinson. Men, you should discourage your wives from visiting Parker Robinson. And no, the upper left photo is not Erik.)



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