

ROTARY CLUB of SARASOTA



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SMILE THE WEEKLY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Today's Speaker:

Dan Bebak - Mote Marine Laboratories



Dan, a graduate of Eckerd College, was first introduced to Mote Marine Laboratory in 1980 by a friend and nearby resident. After interning at the Laboratory for four years he was hired in 1985. In 2013 Aquarium, Education and Community Outreach divisions were

integrated into a new division with a total annual budget of over seven million dollars and a staff of 70. Mr. Bebak currently sits on the Sarasota County Tourist Development Council and as a Trustee of the New Amsterdam Charitable Foundation.

Upcoming Speakers

Next Week Mark Libowitz Whole Person Education

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Name	Classification	Proposed by
KAREN SITES	Financial Adviser	Jim Henry

**Morgan Stanley, specializing
In assisting single women**

If no written objections are submitted to the Board of Directors by May 16, Karen will be eligible to be inducted on or after May 23.



**YEAR-END AWARDS, CELEBRATION, AND
INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS**

SATURDAY, JUNE 16 5:30 p.m.

FIELD CLUB

END OF FIELD ROAD

NO CHARGE FOR MEMBERS AND ONE GUEST.

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

It really was good to have **Rick Piccolo, President and CEO of the Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority**, back to give us a comprehensive update on the **Sarasota Bradenton International Airport (SRQ)**. Rick has been at SRQ as its CEO since 1995. With the recently announced addition of Allegiant Airlines with flights to three midwest cities, the remodeling of the airport, the addition of premium covered parking, and covered rental car parking, our airport is taking on a much snappier look. Rick explained that the airport authority is governed by a six-member board (3 each from Sarasota and Manatee Counties) selected by the Governor, and how the airport is now totally debt free (having paid off \$115,000,000 in authority bond). SRQ does not receive any taxpayer funds, except capital grants through Federal and State trust funds that benefit all airports. The 1200 acre airport with its 350,000 sq. ft. of terminal space has its own police and fire departments and has an economic impact of nearly one billion dollars on the two counties which it serves. Two million passengers a year take advantage of the close proximity of SRQ to Sarasota and Bradenton and enjoy an easy, stress-free direct flight to their favorite cities on the east coast, midwest and to Toronto as well. I know one of the reasons I chose Sarasota was for the convenience of air travel within five miles of our downtown.

DINING FOR WOMEN

Tuesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.

**RSVP Lois Schaper loisschaper@yahoo.com
Phone 941 388-8492**

**Project - Benin, West Africa
Host: Jim and Ellen Marsey
4001 Via Mirada**

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.**

**Baloney Club 11:15 a.m.
Marina Jack Balcony before the regular meeting**

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2018/2019 PRESIDENTIAL THEME: BE THE INSPIRATION

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