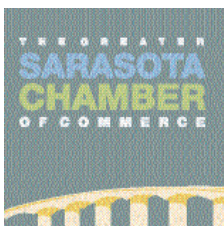




As the local economy continues to grow and expand, *SRQ* Magazine congratulates the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce 2015 Frank G. Berlin Sr. Small Business winners and finalists. These organizations represent dedication to a positive business climate in our region.



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"we believe that children should be thinking about fun - not food - over the summer and we are grateful to our donors and friends who have made it possible to feed thousands of children this summer. But we still need help. No child should go hungry in a community so graced with the capacity and resources to end hunger." **Sandra Frank,**

All Faiths Food Bank

SANDRA FRANK, CEO

for children and families throughout Sarasota and DeSoto Counties. Working with 195 agency partners including soup kitchens, pantries, churches, schools and programs, All Faiths provides food to more than 51,000 residents in need. All Faiths recently garnered attention from the Executive team of the national hunger relief organization, Feeding America, who came to Sarasota to tour the Food Bank and talk about its leadership, accomplishments, and the Campaign Against Summer Hunger. "We've been aware of the incredible growth and leadership here in Sarasota and wanted to see for ourselves," said Feeding America CEO Bob Aiken. "From its vision of a broader mission statement, to the culture All Faiths embodies and the impact it is making, they bring excellence and passion to their work." The Campaign Against Summer Hunger raised food and funds to feed the 21,000 children who face hunger when school is out for the summer. Working in collaboration with the school district, libraries, arts community, and more than 100 food assistance agencies, the summer programs include nutritious served meals, backpacks of food for kids, and mobile pantries with stops in neighborhoods with the highest need. Donations to help feed children this summer are welcome at any time. "It is an honor to be nominated for the nonprofit organization of the year," said All Faiths CEO Sandra Frank. "We see food as the first step in a holistic approach that helps our neighbors in need move toward independence. This nomination acknowledges the hard work of our partners and the dedicated team at All Faiths Food Bank." To learn more about All Faiths Food Bank, the Campaign, child hunger, or its summer food assistance programs call 941-379-6333 or visit allfaithsfoodbank.org.





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"The Child Protection Center is a local non-profit, social service organization focused on protecting children and breaking the cycle of child abuse. As a business, if we are serious about reducing child abuse we must engage, support and educate everyone. Many advocates - individuals, groups, and business partners - have been pivotal in spreading the word and continuing the discussion about the reality of child abuse that exists in our community." **Doug Staley, Executive Director**

Child Protection Center

DOUG STALEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND
GRACI MCGILLICUDDY, BOARD CHAIR

has served children and families in the prevention, intervention, and treatment of child abuse. CPC envisions a community in which children are safe from abuse and free to thrive. CPC's five core programs reaches 38,000 individuals in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties. The Child Protection Team serves children under the age of 18 against whom child abuse may have been perpetrated. Last year CPT helped over 800 children. The Sexual Abuse Treatment Program is available to children ages three to 18 verified as victims of sexual or physical abuse. The Kid Kindness Program serves children who have been identified as at risk for, or perpetrators of, some form of sexual misconduct and/or aggression. Over 5,000 hours of therapy was provided at no cost to these clients in 2014. Personal Safety and Community Awareness Program reaches all children enrolled in public and private schools, day cares, preschools, community at large and professionals. Over 35,000 students are taught the touching rule, Internet safety, and anti-bullying, along with professionals who work closely with children are trained on how to identify and report suspicions of abuse. The Children and Families Supervised Visitation Program serves children between the ages of birth and 18 whom the courts has ordered supervised visitation between the non-custodial parent and his/her child(ren). The program also provides Safe Exchange for families who are separated and share time with their child(ren). Over 500 visits were safely conducted last year. Information about CPC's programs, events and activities, and needs are available online at www.cpc-sarasota.org or by calling 941-365-1277, Ext. 103. TOM





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Hall Architects

GREGORY HALL, PRESIDENT AND PRINCIPAL ARCHITECT
AND ELENA HALL, CFO AND BUSINESS DEVELOPER



"Our goal is to inspire your world through good design that is both beautiful and functional. We listen carefully and respond thoughtfully so as to enhance the natural beauty of our environment through the expression of architectural ideas. We consider all citizens of our community to be Hall Architect clients because so many of our designs are in the public purview. We take our oath to protect the health safety and welfare of our citizens a step further by pledging design that enriches the entire community experience." **Gregory Hall, AIA**

Hall Architects is a small business with a practice specializing in commercial, institutional and residential design. The firm is the project architect for many notable commercial and institutional campuses that populate our landscape. Our clients include Tervis, PGT, Mote Marine Laboratory, the Catholic Diocese of Venice in Florida, Sarasota County, and the Ringling College of Art and Design. At Hall Architects we view our role not only as architect and designers, but also as stewards of the community's physical assets. The cornerstone of our mission is to imbue every project with a designers' eye balanced by the technician's precision. We believe what most distinguishes us is our passion for innovative design that enriches the entire community. Our passion to serve and enhance the community greater good is evidenced through our leadership roles in the Sarasota business consortiums. We are committed investors and supporters in the Economic Development Corporation of Sarasota, Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Sarasota Association, and City and County Historic Preservation boards. Our participation in those organizations informs our commitment to design that benefits all members of our community by our awareness of the changing needs and goals of the various stakeholder groups. We believe our nomination and selection as finalists for the Sarasota Chamber Small Business Awards for the past two years recognizes this commitment. Our firm motto can best be expressed as Hall Architects/Innovative Designers/Community Partners. RNP= `Éáíé-â- ^îÉàî Êl= p-ê-êçí-l- ci= PQOPSX- VQNW/NTKMUP ï ï ï ïe^ii^o`efqb`qpMçã



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We are truly honored to be nominated as a Small Business of the Year Award Finalist because it is coming from the community in which we work and live. This recognition is a testament to the amazing local business community as well as the dedicated staff and board of Insignia Bank. It is the hard work of these individuals that makes us as successful as we are." **Charlie Brown**

Insignia Bank

CHARLIE BROWN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Insignia Bank is truly honored to be nominated as one of the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce Small Business Award Recipients. As a result of the support we have received from the business community, we are proud to be one of only two locally-owned banks in the market with a Five Star Bauer Rating and this additional recognition is further proof that our high quality customers, staff, shareholders and Board of Directors truly make a difference. While we are focused on our local market, we offer worldwide service by giving our customers the truly unique benefit of FREE ATMs around the planet. That is right, you can use any ATM, ANYWHERE, and we pick up whatever fee was charged. A customization for our customers we launched on day one and continue to do offer today. We continue to carry this customization over to our deposit services for businesses and in both residential and commercial lending. We truly believe no two situations are entirely the same so they shouldn't be treated in a cookie cutter manner. In addition, our investments division, Insignia Investment Services, provides convenience rarely offered in community banking. Now you can manage your daily finances, and plan for your future under one roof. So, if you want a locally-owned bank, with local management and a board of directors that understands your business or your project, we invite you to visit our offices, or contact us by cell phone by calling our CEO at 941-993-6849. PPP-kçêŮ=I ê-äÖÉ=^îÉN=p-ê-ëçí--ci-PQOPSKVQNPSSI TNM-i i i KaëÖää-Ä-ääMçã





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"We envision a community where all members are cared for, safe, and strong," said Rose Chapman, president & CEO of JFCS. "Our tradition of caring has allowed us to positively impact and touch the lives of the entire community."



JFCS of the Suncoast, Inc.

JFCS is to empower individuals and families toward self-sufficiency. During the 2013-2014 year, 23,984 individuals were provided services at JFCS. Children, adults, families, seniors, caregivers, and veterans benefited from our services including case management, individual and group counseling, life skills education and food and emergency financial assistance. JFCS provides a safety net for the entire community – serving anyone who turns to the agency for help. The staff go by the old adage, "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime." Each JFCS client receives personalized attention and care that addresses their barriers and challenges to be self-sufficient.

- Homeless are not just housed; they are found homes and taught skills to sustain housing and employment.
- Families are not just served; they are fostered and educated on how to communicate and stay together.
- At-risk youth are not just counseled; they are taught to cope and given a second chance.
- People suffering with addiction are not just in sobriety; they are flourishing one day at time.
- Our Veterans are not just educated; they are housed and trained to reintegrate back into civilian life.

JFCS has been serving the Suncoast region since 1985 responding to the needs of the community with intervention and prevention resources. To the staff and those they serve, the organization becomes extended family and a place to turn when in need. For more information, visit JFCS-Cares.org or call 941-366-2224.



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PPi Technologies Group

CHARLES MURRAY, CEO

OK-Ü-äE-j i ä-ö-Näi-äç i EC-iç-iUE-räa EC-pi-iE-ä-WTV to attend Michigan State. Returning later to start a small company in Chicago, the cold weather inspired a relocation to Sarasota. Charles and his wife and son founded PRO-FILE®Packaging, Inc. (PPiTechGroup) in 1996. With roots in contract packing and delivering creative packaging concepts to market, Murray never doubted that the future of the packaging industry would come in the form of his StandUp pouch with a zipper or spout. At the beginning, PPiTechGroup packaged products at a rapid 120 pouches per minute. Today the company is able to package 1,100 pouches per minute and fill them at 500 per minute. PPiTechGroup manufactures the StandUp pouch, tray, single dose and end-of-line systems to fill and pack products to small and multi-national food and beverage firms. Under its Redi-2-DrinQ and ShotPak brands, the company manufactures and fills their own products in pouches: focusing on water, alcohol and spirits.

In coming weeks, new products are slated for national launch: the new Htwo Hydrogen water, which offers both hydration and an energy boost with no additives, sugars or preservatives. A new insect repellent for those working and playing outdoors has potential as well. "If it's in a box or bottle," Murray likes to say, "We can put it in a pouch." The world is taking note of PPiTechGroup's accomplishments. Statewide economic development program Growl named PPiTechGroup one of 50 Florida Companies to Watch last year. Ernst & Young recognized Murray as an Entrepreneur of the Year in distribution and manufacturing in 2013. Holding over 175 patents, the company expects growth. PPiTech has a new home in a facility with production capabilities of 1 billion pouches per year. The company has grown to 48 valued employees, is home to a play area for pool, table tennis, reading and a 9-hole golf course designed by employees. Murray is proud that PPiTech has remained a family business with his son, daughter, stepson and several nephews as part of his talented team.

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"Our goal is to keep every customer happy and the message to employees is very clear, the customer is king. Our aim is to deliver machines and products that are above average and allow our customers to lead the industry and markets they participate in. The range of machine models offered is truly global stretching from Germany, Japan, Korea, South Africa and Italy. New products being packed have a common theme in that they contribute to peoples lifestyle in a positive way." **Charles Murray**





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"Sir Speedy Sarasota is honored to be recognized as a finalist for Small Business of the Year. We have the best employees in the industry, and we are incredibly grateful for their hard work and dedication to helping our customers grow their businesses!" Jackie Sanderson (left)

and Eileen Rosenzweig (right)

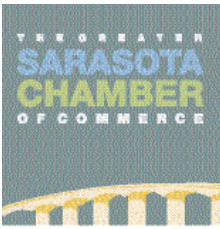


Sir Speedy

EILEEN ROSENZWEIG, CEO AND OWNER AND
JACKIE SANDERSON, CO-OWNER

Sir Speedy Sarasota, owned by sisters Eileen Rosenzweig and Jackie Sanderson, is an independent franchise founded in 1981 by Jackie and Eileen's parents. Over the last 34 years we have grown to become a leader, not only in the Sir Speedy network of franchises, but among all "Quick Printing" companies nationally. We are the fourth highest volume Sir Speedy out of over 500 locations world-wide. We have 23 employees and a 7,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility in central Sarasota. Our production is housed on-site, giving us full control over the speed and quality of our customers' jobs. Our success can be attributed to our ability to adapt and change with technology and the needs of our customers. Over the years we have consciously transformed ourselves from a traditional quick printing company to a digital print, sign, and marketing company.

Our in-house production includes digital and offset printing, graphic design, mailing services, posters, banners, large format sign printing and routing. Our goal is to be a one-stop shop for our customers' print, sign, and marketing needs. Our reputation and reliability are second to none, as exemplified by our growing, long-term customer base. We have vast experience, specifically, in implementing web-to-print solutions for multi-location organizations. We are experts in helping companies organize their printed materials, ensuring brand consistency and controlling costs. Our customer service culture is pervasive, and our employees are empowered to do whatever it takes to get the job done and meet our customers' needs.



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TableSeide

STEVE SEIDENSTICKER

"They say 'You are what you eat,' but we like to think that where you eat is equally important. As a family owned and operated business, we understand the importance of community. As such, we enjoy working diligently to create vibrant atmospheres for folks to gather for great food, great drinks and great service. That sense of family spills over into our restaurants, our second homes. At TableSeide establishments, we don't have customers, we have guests." **Steve Seidensticker**

As we develop, so do our tastes. Food still serves as nourishment, of course, but it also becomes the backbone of your life. Memories become associated with mealtime and food choices (whether it be vegetarian, gluten-free or gluten) become part of your identity. We understand. We love food. In fact, we love everything associated with dining. The perfect bite is more than a mouthful. Ambience, ingredients, cutlery, wine pairings, napkin folding, friendly staff, and comfy seats all marry to create that magic moment when fork meets face. We are TableSeide, a restaurant group that's been in Sarasota's backyard for years now, though you may know us by other names. The Seidensticker family unified their establishments, Libby's Cafe + Bar, Louie's Modern, The Francis, and Modern Events Catering, under a single brand by creating 'TableSeide,' the corporate presence and underlying foundation for all edible efforts moving forward. This platform focuses on culinary harmony by paying attention to the details, big and small, and working diligently to enhance the city of Sarasota through great food, knockout events, philanthropic contributions and unique collaborations. We've been growing steadily over the years, taking the town one bite at a time. We began as a neighborhood mecca with a stellar wine list and evolved into several locations, including a full-fledged catering company and event venue, a downtown hotspot with a beautiful, open kitchen, and a private dining room perfect for intimate parties. TableSeide is taking on a few more projects this year, expanding our offerings into the museum district by taking over all things culinary at the Ringling Museum. From decaf to dessert, galas to Gulf oysters, if it involves eating or events, we hope it involves us.

