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The Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce strives to bring thriving business and community leaders to the Sarasota area. A commitment to achieving a diverse balanced economy that enhances the quality of living is what the Chamber is all about. This handful of local businesses enjoys close relationships with the Chamber: hosting events, connecting customers to participating businesses and being honored as leaders in the community.



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BUDGET SELF STORAGE

STORING LOCAL

Budget Self Storage isn't your ordinary storage facility—with over 30 years of experience, the business is locally-owned and boasts superior cleanliness and a friendly, professional staff. Budget represents your neighborhood self storage, offering specialized services to fit the Sarasota community and commitment to local charities, acting as a collection drop off location for Selah Freedom and the Junior League. Proud to introduce their brand new building and third area location on South Tamiami Trail, all storage units are air-conditioned and Climate-Controlled to accommodate Florida customers. Budget also provides shredding, free electronic recycling and special holiday "Santa Clausets" and convenient wrapping stations. Marketing Coordinator Robin Emanuel says Budget Self Storage has been a proud member of the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce since 2007, designated as a Market Mover Chamber member. "As a local business we value our membership and most appreciate the Chamber University, special events and networking opportunities that build great business relationships for services and cross promotion," says Emanuel. The team at Budget Self Storage regularly utilizes Chamber programming and promotes Chamber businesses. "We are a resource for our customers," says Emanuel. "They tell us their needs and we connect them to other chamber businesses." With their community in mind, Budget Self Storage invites you to "Come and See the Difference!"

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GORILLA KLEEN

JOHN CLOUD, PRESIDENT

KLEEN MACHINE

Gorilla Kleen President John Cloud knows the value of hard work. And the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce recognized his commitment by awarding him and his Gorilla Kleen family the 2016 Small Business of the Year Award. "We really are proud to be the recipients of the Small Business of the Year Award," says Cloud. "Starting a business from scratch is a lot of hard work and we are really proud of what we have accomplished. With over 1800 members of the Sarasota Chamber it is quite an honor for us to be chosen."

A quintessential model for building a small business, Gorilla Kleen has created a large, well-equipped business that is capable of handling any sort of exterior cleaning need. Now the company cleans and maintains large commercial areas such as Ed Smith Stadium and Sarasota Memorial Hospital—as well as providing an extensive array of home cleaning services and paver brick sealing. Cloud's advice to other businesses trying to grow: "Be dependable. Do what you say you are going to do. Treat people fairly." Recognition from the Chamber has been a career highlight for Cloud, especially after five years of hard work to build Gorilla Kleen. "I have lived in Sarasota for 50 years now. I am not about to do anything short of the very best that I can to support our clients and this community. We are proud of what we do and the way that we take care of people."

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DOCTORS HOSPITAL

ROBERT MEADE, CEO

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COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

It's safe to say that Sarasota would not be the thriving city it is without Doctors Hospital. One of the largest employers in the area with over 400 physicians and 750 employees on staff, Doctors Hospital is a significant touch point in the Sarasota community. "It's important for people to understand the asset we have here," says CEO Robert Meade. "Though we do employ hundreds of people and treat over 50,000 patients per year, Doctors is small enough that we can offer individualistic treatment"

In his 11 years as CEO, Meade has seen the importance of being involved with the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce, raising a voice for the greater community. Several past Chamber Chairs have even served on the board at Doctors Hospital, that leadership crossover being a connection Meade says is invaluable. "It's important for the hospital to have that viewpoint from civic leaders, community leaders and Chamber leaders as far as how well they feel we're performing as a hospital," he says. "It's just as valuable for the Chamber to get input from the hospital regarding how well we think they are doing with attracting businesses and making this a vibrant community." Recognized nationally as one of Modern Healthcare's Top 100 Best Places to Work for seven years in a row, Doctors Hospital is also the only facility in Sarasota to receive an "A grade" in patient safety by the Leapfrog Group, a national patient safety watchdog. Proving that with Doctors Hospital and the Chamber working in congress, anything is achievable.

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NUTRU

JIM DONOVAN, PRESIDENT

SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL

NuTru President Jim Donovan lives by the motto of not taking too much and giving back as much as he can. After growing up and living in the Chicago area, Donovan now takes advantage of Florida's natural sunshine, powering his office, car, bike and home with solar and electric energy. His company NuTru develops high-end vegan supplements and nutraceutical products, and thrives on the same model, growing out of the Taoist and Buddhist philosophy of living as much as you can in tandem with nature and natural forces. "We want to minimize our footprint," he says. A pioneer in the late '90s of removing and encapsulating high-potency omega-3 oil from algae, Donovan and NuTru believe that every effort should be made to preserve the earth's sustainable resources, protecting the rapidly decreasing fish population in the process.

Like the products he produces, Donovan is committed to wellness, crediting Sarasota's vibrant tennis community, along with the cultural and outdoor-friendly aspects of the area, as a draw for his move south. He also appreciates the business climate here fostered by the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce: "I like the spirit of openness here," he says. "People are very receptive and supportive."

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TABLESEIDE RESTAURANT GROUP

FOODIE FAMILY

You wouldn't be wrong to think that the TableSeide Restaurant Group has redefined both fine and casual dining in Sarasota. The family behind area high-hitters Libby's Café + Bar, Louie's Modern, Muse at the Ringling, The Francis, Banyan Café, Modern Events Catering and the newly-opened Oak & Stone is out to change the Sarasota culinary scene for the better—the group is run by Owner Stephen Seidensticker, along with his children Joe, Patrick and Lisa and business partner Jeff Greco. Focusing on fresh, quality ingredients, simplicity and great atmosphere, each dining experience at one of TableSeide's establishments is completely one-of-a-kind. As such, it is no wonder their restaurants have become something of a Sarasota institution, loved by the community as a whole.

As Trustee members of the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce, the Seidensticker family charges the Chamber with helping the community grow for the better. "The Chamber has been a huge supporter of helping Sarasota grow in a nice healthy way," says Steve. "It's a more vivacious town because of businesses they've brought in. They helped bring the Orioles here, which was great boon for our town." Joe reminds his father that other than sponsoring numerous Chamber lunches, The Francis hosts the opening party for the Orioles. The next step for the Tableseide Group: according to Joe, "Winning Small Business of the Year is next on our list."

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