Aspirations Journalism: A partnership between journalism and philanthropy

The Patterson Foundation recently announced its new initiative, Aspirations Journalism.

"With Aspirations Journalism, TPF is strengthening journalism in both its home region and newsrooms around the country. Partnering with the top-notch staff of the Herald-Tribune Media Group will create opportunities to closely examine issues that are relevant to all members of the community, while sharing tangible ways to achieve our shared aspirations." - Debra Jacobs.

Through a partnership between journalism and philanthropy, Aspirations Journalism is an initiative to share information and engage communities through stories that encourage people to be part of the solution and take action. While examining relevant social issues, Aspirations Journalism focuses on motivating, innovating, and collaborating through the lenses of four of TPF's initiatives: Age-Friendly Sarasota, the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, the Suncoast Nursing Action Coalition, and its work with the National Council on Aging.

Aspirations Journalism follows the learnings and success of SPIRE CoLab, an initiative between The Patterson Foundation and the Herald-Tribune Media Group covering the importance of third-grade reading proficiency for success in the classroom and beyond. With this latest initiative, The Patterson Foundation and the Herald-Tribune Media Group are bringing their respective assets and talents together to inform, educate, and engage communities locally and beyond on a broader range of issues.

Continue reading "Herald-Tribune and The Patterson Foundation launch Aspirations Journalism."

Architects of Change

A true community #ForAllAges benefits all of us and is owned by all of us.
opportunities for #AgeFriendly enhancements, we have to speak up when Sarasota County Government asks our community what's important to us.

A window of opportunity is upon us now until April 15, 2019. Please take five minutes to take the online survey to help identify 3-5 priorities.

Questions include topics about housing, Universal Design, transportation, outdoor spaces, safe walkable/bikeable neighborhoods, etc.

Please take the survey, then share...

"It is up to us to live up to the legacy that was left for us, and to leave a legacy that is worthy of our children and of future generations." — Christine Gregoire

Take the survey in English

Take the survey in Spanish

To date, 394 individuals have completed the survey. Let's team up, share our voices, and let Sarasota County Government know what's important to us!

Legendary Photography

David Burnett, a Hermitage Artist Retreat Greenfield Prize winner, will be exhibiting his work entitled "Fourth Quarter: Senior Athletes and Their Indomitable Spirit," at the Ringling Museum from April 13 until July 21, 2019 [Other work can be viewed year round at Patriot Plaza].

"After years of covering the Olympics and photographing top-level athletes, I was surprised and impressed by the numbers of people over 50 -- and in particular in their 70s, 80s, and 90s, who are staying incredibly active. I have long been impressed by the mental strength and commitment of top-level athletes for years and yet I was surprised by the determination and
was surprised by the determination and gusto of athletes in my own age group (I am 72). You start to think of age as a very arbitrary way of measuring our lives when you see the way these athletes attack the field of play. It's inspiring, it's exciting, and it's a lot of fun." -- David Burnett

Sarasota-Bradenton airport adds assistive listening system

"Another step forward, #ForAllAges -- SRQ-airport.com will be the first in Florida with an assistive listening system that transmits sound directly to listener's ear through a receiver in most hearing aids." - Deborah Gauvreau

The system, due to be installed in mid-April, is called a hearing loop assistive listening system and delivers a distortion-free sound ideal for airport boarding areas.

Welcome to Ask The Bay

Ask The Bay is a collaborative, educational initiative between the Bay Park Conservancy and DreamLarge, introduced as a commitment to ensure an informed and engaged process toward the realization of The Bay.

Have questions about The Bay?

Ask them at askthebay.com