

Rotary acts for the environment; ESRAG is the catalyst. We care about your climate future.

ESRAG: Environmental Sustainability
Rotary Action Group.

SARASOTA Project Fair

Host Club: Rotary Club of Sarasota Bay



Highlights from the Inaugural ESRAG Project Fair in Sarasota

The Rotary Club of Sarasota Bay hosted the first-ever ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group) Project Fair in Sarasota. The event was conceived by Charles Reith, and was a huge success. Southface Sarasota, through club member Amber Whittle, hosted a Welcome Reception at New College. The following day, The Ringling College of Art and Design, thanks to club member Tim Ramage, hosted the Project Fair, which aimed to bring together members of the World Wide ESRAG group to exchange ideas and share projects they are implementing in their respective districts.

The event was conducted using large posters on easels to present visual aids. This approach proved to be quite effective in conveying the project's purpose and how it can benefit everyone globally. The display was impressive and was filmed by two different groups for future use.

| Selby Library Meeting Dates | |
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| February | 20 |
| March | 5 |






This Week

**IN PERSON MEETING
SELBY LIBRARY**

**BEAVER SHRIVER
CO-FOUNDER**

**Tuesday Noon
February 6, 2024
Selby Library**

Beaver thrives on "being in the thick of it," and Rise Up Cafe is a perfect way for him to be

A small cafe with a big mission! Inclusion. Jobs. Dignity.

At Rise Up Cafe, we provide secure, successful jobs which in turn help our employees form meaningful friendships with their peers; live independently; improve their public speaking, develop self-advocacy and communication skills; and feel valued and included by society. We celebrate and honor their special abilities!

Great Ice Cream Eating Championship

Join us for the Spring 2024 Rise Up Cafe Great Ice Cream Eating Championship. May 18th. 11:00am. Showdown — 1534 State St. in downtown Sarasota.



The **ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group)** to empower members of the **Rotary Family** worldwide to take actions to sustain our environment, particularly to stabilize our climate.

ESRAG provides an organizing point and informational resources to share information with clubs and communities about sustainable practices and the global humanitarian crisis of climate change.

Our action model: Identify environmental leaders within the Rotary world, assist them in initiating environmental service projects that are meaningful to THEM, help where we can, and acknowledge and publicize their awesome work.

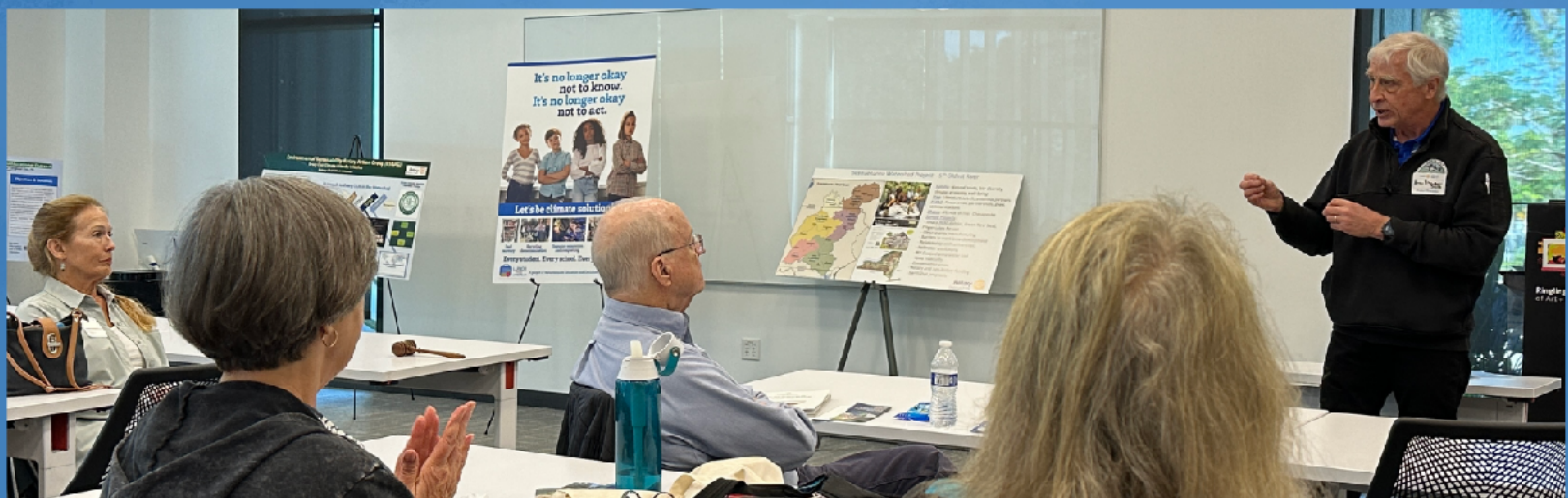
Members presented their club and district projects to those in attendance and on line to members of ESRAG around the world during a Hybrid Zoom meeting. Students from over 5 countries were in attendance at a morning session to learn what Rotary was doing to help preserve their future in the world until they can take over the stewardship going forward. It was a wonderful opportunity for Rotarians to meet with the next generation and exchange ideas.



ESRAG WELCOME RECEPTION



ESRAG PROJECT FAIR



INTERNATIONAL ZOOM MEETING

