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**President's Message**

Can it really be time for the October newsletter already? I hope all of our snowbird members are ready for Florida time and getting back in the FFSRQ mode. I'm sure you've noticed our busy exchange calendar. Our club is large and energetic. Remember to connect with an ED and offer your help. Home hosts always appreciate a breather provided when you give them a break and enjoy getting to know their ambassadors. The ambassadors appreciate a good turn out at the welcome and farewell dinners. Our positive reputation creates many requests from clubs around the world. Consider becoming one of the worker bees and enjoy the rewarding feeling when you do your part. See you Thursday, October 1, at our general/annual meeting.

**Mary McClendon**, President, [marymc5936@verizon.net](mailto:marymc5936@verizon.net) or (941) 923-3785

**Mark Your Calendars**

Oct 1, Thurs	<b>Annual Meeting</b> , Waldemere Fire Station	7:00 pm
Oct 10	All Florida FF Conference, Ft Myers	9:30 am – 4:30 pm
Oct 15, Thurs	Wine Group I	see below
Oct 19, Mon	Wine Group II	see below
Oct 25, Sun- Oct 30, Fri	Inbound from Los Angeles	Barbara Peterson, ED
Oct 21, Wed	Film Talk	Dot Flynn
Oct 27, Tues	Board Meeting	7:00 pm TBD
Nov 5, Thurs	Regular Meeting, Waldemere Fire Station	7:00 pm
Nov 16, Mon	Wine Group II	see below
Nov 18, Wed	Film Talk	Dot Flynn
Nov 19, Thurs	Wine Group I	see below
Nov 24, Tuesday	Board Meeting	7:00 pm TBD
Dec 3, Thursday	Holiday Party – Stoneybrook Country Club (no regular meeting)	
Dec 17, Thurs	Wine Group I	see below
Dec 21, Mon	Wine Group II	see below
Feb 25-Mar 2, 2016	Inbound from Western North Carolina	Phillip Price, ED
March 14-17, 2016	Inbound Stopover – Belgian Coast Club	need ED
April 7-27, 2016	Outbound to FF Greater Taipei	Reeta Dean & Terri Holsinger, EDs
Oct 2016	Outbound Western North Carolina	Donna Schaeffer, ED
Nov 2016	Inbound, Cornwall England	



## Thurs, October 1st meeting—Waldemere Fire Station, 7:00 pm. Not to be missed! Annual Meeting

At the October 1st general meeting, an audio/visual presentation of Bob and Judy Joyce's November 2014 Friendship Force trip to Taipei will be shared.

After a wonderful trip to Myanmar, Bangkok FF and Borneo with the Adelaide Australia Friendship Force club, we landed in Taipei. There we were met by one of the two local Friendship Force clubs and hosted for 7 exciting days.

The theme of the whole week was food and karaoke; Karaoke at the welcome dinner, karaoke with snacks on the bus and karaoke at the farewell party. They were a happy group. In between, we experienced friendly hosts, trips to Chiang Kai-shek museum, Kings Palace, Yehliu (geopark) rock formations beach and local cultural events. Some of the club members teach Chinese traditional music and dance. They are proud that they retain much of their Chinese traditions, whereas mainland China was purged of much of its culture by Mao.

Following the home hosting week, we extended our visit by taking the fast train to southern Taiwan for a three-day tour around Kaohsiung. The Kenting National Park and surrounding area's scenery and history were fascinating.

See you at the meeting, Bob & Judy Joyce

Barb Hahn, Vice President, **note new cell 941-266-9802**

### Committee Reports

**Nomination Committee-Katy Goodwin, chair.** The Election of Officers will take place at the October 1, 2015 meeting. Further nominations can be made from the floor with the consent of the nominees. The newly elected officers will assume their duties on January 1, 2016

	<b>Presentation of the Officer Slate for 2016:</b>	
<b>President:</b>	<b>Barbara Hahn</b>	<b>Secretary: Margaret Lewis</b>
<b>V.P.:</b>	<b>Lorrie Holm</b>	<b>Treasurer: Sandy Tuveson</b>

**P**ublicity -- The Publicity Chair needs a committee! If you like to **collaborate** on PR, marketing and other projects, please email me. I won't repeat the old bromide that many hands make light work. Oh wait, I just did. I'm turning my attention to getting some speaking engagements to talk to community groups about Friendship Force. **Please email me if you are willing to serve as a speaker or if you know places where we can spread the word.** Thank you!  
[Lorrie.Holm@gmail.com](mailto:Lorrie.Holm@gmail.com)

**S**unshine -- **Terry Neuss, a former member of Friendship Force of Sarasota**, passed on September 8th near her family in Boston. She was an active member of FF for many years until 2015 when her health prevented her from participating. A memorial service will be held at Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota on November 7th. The obituary should be in the Herald Tribune shortly. Cards may be sent to the Neuss Family, 21 Reed St., Marblehead, MA 01945.

**Margaret Mills would like to invite you to her art show**, "The Joys of Traveling with a Paintbrush and an Artist's Eye". The reception will be at Unity Gallery, 3023 Proctor Road, Sarasota, Sunday, November 1, 2015, 11:30-1PM. The show will hang through November 29. Gallery hours are 10-4, Monday-Thursday and after Sunday services, 11:30-12:30. Entry is through courtyard, door marked office.

Margaret's passion for travel has led her to many interesting and faraway places she would like to share with you in her colorful paintings.

**S**ocial – say yes to Grace Rowland and her very social committee volunteers when they call - Mary Brand, Mariann Carmody, Gretchen Castner, John Langmann, Jan Short and Bobbie Jabbas. We **need just 2 more volunteers** for the refreshment table. Please email Grace Rowland, [sarasotatraveler@gmail.com](mailto:sarasotatraveler@gmail.com) with the month you can volunteer.

### NEWS FROM THE WEB



A big thank you to Ramona McGee for sending photos she took at the [Friendship Force International 2015 World Conference in Vancouver](#), British Columbia. Remember Elaine & [Gordon J Hamden](#)? You can see Ramona's photos on our web site. Linda Vendeland, Web Administrator  
[www.friendshipforcesarasotaflorida.org](http://www.friendshipforcesarasotaflorida.org) and





## WINE TASTING GROUPS (FF members only)

Wine Group 1's first tasting of the season will be on Thursday, October 15 and Wine Group 2's will be on Monday, October 19. Locations and times to be determined. If you are interested in joining a wine group, please contact Jack & Linda Vendeland, [linvende@aol.com](mailto:linvende@aol.com) 941-342-278

**Film Talk** will meet at Burns Court Cinema on the 3rd Wed of each month. Please contact **Dotty Flynn** [dafsarasota@comcast.net](mailto:dafsarasota@comcast.net) if you would like to be added to the email list. **WE NEED YOU!**



## Exchanges

Congratulations and a big thank you is due to those members of our club who have agreed to take a leadership role and serve as Exchange Director for upcoming exchanges in 2016. Please **say yes** when one of the inbound EDs invites you to be on the exchange **committee**; it's a great way to get involved and to learn how Friendship Force works! See you at the **All Florida FF Conference** in October.

**Judi Stratton, Exchange Coordinator**, [jaspette@comcast.net](mailto:jaspette@comcast.net) or (941) 497-5684

## FFI WORLD CONFERENCE - VANCOUVER, B.C. - AUG. 28-31, 2015

The first of two "ah-ha" experiences during the conference occurred when the Men's Choir entertained us after an opening reception on Friday evening. As they started to sing "Peace on Earth", the Friendship Force members seated in the back of the room started to stand then joined hands and sang. This wave spread to the front of the room until the whole audience was standing and singing with the choir. Beautiful!

The second "ah-ha" was listening to our keynote speaker, Michelle Ray; energetic, dynamic, inspirational and funny! Michelle opened her presentation by playing music, dancing on stage and asking the crowd for their favorite musical groups then referred to the Beach Boys. She asked why The Beach Boys have remained so popular since the 60's - yes, because they "changed" with the times. She talked of the fear of change and how we are in control of our own reality - how your perception is your own reality. Using an apple, Michelle described what this apple represented to the orchard owner, to a computer company, to Adam & Eve and to a worm. That same apple was perceived by each in their own manner. How we perceive ourselves, our leadership and our club as we change and evolve is up to us! How do we want our "apple" to be perceived? - And yes - we can make it happen! This set the tone for the conference and built enthusiasm.

The theme of the conference was, "Building Bridges" and this theme was carried out throughout the conference in the workshops. Various workshops were held to strengthen and move our clubs and our organization forward in the future, to inspire members to grow, to strengthen their clubs and create new clubs.

"How You Can Keep FF Financially Sound and Growing" discussed means of increasing income to FFI, of improving their database and website development. The database is inadequate for the amount of information available for analysis and often breaks down. A new website could be much more user-friendly, enabling our 15,000 members more ready access to information. Greater cooperation is needed by clubs in using the fill-the-seat policy. Do not wait until 100 days out but advertise outbound exchanges earlier on the website as soon as a club has awareness that they cannot fill an outbound exchange. This does not require the club to accept the ambassadors from other clubs but gives them greater exposure to possible openings. Keep the interested parties updated with all information about the hosting club and any possible tours included. Yes, we do need greater revenues, as well as greater cooperation to accomplish these goals.

"Creating a Strategic Plan for Your Club" further examines means to further set out a means of vigorous revitalization and sustainability for our clubs. This relates back to change: through greater diversity, flexibility in our exchanges, leadership development, better marketing, improved technology and partnerships with other organization. All of these actions will help to bring greater financial sustainability to our organization, as well as shape the organization for the future.

"Keeping the Friendship Force Vibrant in the US" and "NextGen Initiative" both focused on creating programs which appeal to a younger, more active group of ambassadors. Explore thinking "outside the box" and offer a more appealing program with greater flexibility to our ambassadors. Offer more free time; offer a small "get-away" in the middle of the

week of home-hosting. Offer more active activities, such as biking, hiking or just a fun picnic on the beach with a small group. As we are all aware, change should be a welcome force and offer a means of revitalization and new energy.

The workshop “Invigorate Exchanges and Attract all Ages” pointed out that the purpose of an exchange is to show our ambassadors who we are and how we live. We do this by coordinating with the inbound ED in having a theme which focuses on hospitality, engages local culture and has activity and changes the way you see the world.

There will be new ambassador and host application forms coming from FFI to aid in “Selecting New Ambassadors and Hosts” and another workshop title. We may also be required to send more detailed information to FFI concerning our exchanges.

“E” membership was stressed in “Changing Strangers into Friends.” In 2014 FFI added 6 new clubs and lost 11 clubs. There is a need for global members to apply, be screened and be accepted into our clubs.

“Friendship in Action” focused on what clubs do in a humanitarian way: work with schools, provide computers, donate to local charities, etc. FFI has outbound humanitarian exchanges and our clubs should also consider devoting part of an inbound exchange to a humanitarian cause.

The Volunteer of the Year Award recipient was Hanaa Rashad from Cairo, Egypt and The Life Time Achievement Award recipient was Chris Smith from Sacramento, CA.

The 2016 FFI World Conference will be held in Marrakech, Morocco in September and will be the first conference to be held in Africa. Information about this conference will appear on the website in the near future.

The 2017 World Conference, celebrating the 40th anniversary of FFI, will be hosted in Manchester, England. The first FF exchanges were between Atlanta and England. A plane load of ambassadors were flown from England to Atlanta and the plane returned to New Castle on Tyne, England filled with ambassadors from Georgia.

Watch the FFI website for more information about the Vancouver Conference.

**Attendees: Ramona McGee and Katy Goodwin**

### **Report on the Netherlands East Outbound Exchange, August 30-September 6, 2015**

This was a wonderful exchange and involved 17 ambassadors with 11 from Sarasota, 2 from Clearwater, FL, 2 from Orlando, FL and 2 from Iowa. Peggy Hayden was our ED with Bob Joyce as back-up ED/Treasurer. We each got there through our own arrangements with ambassadors planning their own pre- and post-exchange excursions. We met at the Amsterdam Airport on Sunday, August 30 where our hosts arranged for a bus to meet and transport us to our home hosts in Zutphen. Zutphen is a town of 46,000 with medieval history in the eastern Netherlands about 1.5 hours from Amsterdam. Our welcoming party at the airport were our co-EDs, Eilke & Anita. Our home hosts took us to our “homes” for the week located in various parts of a large area in and around Zutphen.

**The Netherlands East Friendship Force** planned a week of fun, interesting and varied activities for us.

**Monday, 8/31** – Our week began with a welcome coffee in the beautiful garden of “Ampies Berg” in ‘t Harde. Tour on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0ceiGuvVuU>. After receiving welcome gifts, we introduced our ambassadors and sang a Dutch song that we learned, “Vader Jabob” to the tune of Frere Jacques. We sang it through once alone and then a second time with them joining. One of their members then suggested that we sign it in a “round”. We started the 1st round and then when their voices joined us, it was truly moving, a real “friendship force”.

Our excursion continued as we visited the old fortified town of Elburg, [http://www.elburg.nl/Ontdek\\_de\\_gemeente/Recreatie\\_en\\_Toeisme/Welcome\\_to\\_Elburg\\_English](http://www.elburg.nl/Ontdek_de_gemeente/Recreatie_en_Toeisme/Welcome_to_Elburg_English). Our visit there included not only seeing this interesting town with its neat history and shops but also touring a place where they smoked eel. For lunch, we got a chance to taste eel sandwiches (pretty tasty actually!)

**Tuesday, 9/1** – Free day. Options included, but were not limited to:

Van Gogh Museum near Zutphen, “Kröller Müller, in Otterlo, 2nd largest collection of Van Gogh paintings + those of other artists. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kr%C3%B6ller-M%C3%BCller\\_Museum](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kr%C3%B6ller-M%C3%BCller_Museum). This museum was located in a national park that included acres of lovely grounds for walking or biking (free bikes available) plus the Kröller Müller mansion and a large sculpture garden.

Airborne Museum, [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Airborne\\_Museum\\_'Hartenstein'](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Airborne_Museum_'Hartenstein'), dedicated to Battle of Arnhem, depicted in the movie, “A Bridge Too Far”, in which Allied Forces tried to form a bridgehead on the northern banks of the Rhine River in September 1944. Museum had extensive weaponry collection, airborne exhibition, uniforms and equipment used in the battle, photos & films + interviews with Allied soldiers as well as info from German & civilian perspectives.

A number of our ambassadors visited other sites on free days, explored areas of special interest or even visited with family in the area.

**Wednesday, 9/2** – Visited Giethoorn, “VENICE of the Netherlands” with a tour on canals through the town <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giethoorn>. This was a truly amazing town to see and the canal trip was so very interesting. And the food! We started our day eating Dutch apple pie and ended it eating pancakes. Pancakes are a Dutch invention. They eat them not only for breakfast with syrup, sugar and fruit, they also eat them for lunch or dinner with cheese, bacon and vegetables rolled inside. These pancakes are thin, crepe-like and dinner plate size.

**Thursday, 9/3** – Free day (see options above)

**Friday, 9/4** - Visited Open Air Museum near Arnhem park near with antique houses, farms & factories from different parts of the Netherlands. It is a national museum focusing on culture associated with everyday lives of ordinary Dutch people. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Netherlands\\_Open\\_Air\\_Museum](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Netherlands_Open_Air_Museum)

**Saturday, 9/5** - Special day in Zutphen <http://wikitravel.org/en/Zutphen> We started the day visiting the home of an eccentric and talented Dutch primitive art painter. Our orientation at the museum included more Dutch apple pie – yum! We then toured the interesting town of Zutphen and ended our day with a farewell dinner filled with good food, fond memories & warm hugs. Our hosts performed several songs, inviting us to sign along on those that were in English. We presented them a club thank you gift, a donation for a charity in their area, “Help Dogs” that trains guide dogs for people with disabilities. We then performed 2 songs: “Oh, we’ve had a great week in Zutphen” (to the tune of “Side-by-Side) and Lang Zullen Ze Leven (a Dutch “honoring” song for birthdays and other celebrations).

**Sunday, 9/6** – Our “departure plan” was NOT as a group, because of the varied locations of our host homes in relationship to where to best access transport from the Zutphen area and because of the varied travel plans of our ambassadors after the exchange. Our home hosts facilitated our transport for our individual departures. We had made such good friends and were reminded that, like our motto says; Friendship Force travel is about a face...not a place.

## Exchanges - Inbound

**Sun, Oct 25<sup>th</sup>-Fri, Oct 30th Inbound Exchange from Los Angeles, ED Barbara Peterson**

Our exchange with L.A. is getting closer. Only 3 weeks away! Our home hosting, day hosting and dinner party lists have been made. We are hoping that many more of you will join us on some of our activities, especially the welcome and farewell gatherings. If you have not been to Gabbiano's on Siesta Key it would be a great time to try it. We also hope that several of you would join us on the Sunset Cruise on the LeBarge. We want to show our guest that we are happy they chose Sarasota to visit. Since 10 ambassadors is a smaller number it involves a smaller group of us--so we would love to have the rest of you join us on these specific events. We are looking forward to seeing many of you during the exchange. **The event sheet, menu for the farewell and page to sign up are included on pages 7 and 8 of the newsletter.**

**Print the schedule below and join us! Thank you. Barbara Peterson, [bandwpeterson@verizon.net](mailto:bandwpeterson@verizon.net).**

**February 25-March 1, 2016 Inbound Exchange from Western North Carolina  
ED Phillip Price**

## Opportunity Knocks PLEASE HELP

The date is set. The club, Friendship Force of Western North Carolina, is coming February 25 to March 1, 2016. Our guests are from the metropolitan area of Asheville, North Carolina. The area from which our ambassadors come shares our character as a retirement destination. It also has a lively cultural and educational base. The Asheville area frequently finds itself in lists of best places to live. Although it seems like off in the distant future, we need help in committee positions for this exchange. Ultimately, we will need many volunteers for a successful exchange. Currently I need to fill the committee position of **Coordinator for Home Hosts**. Thanks so much.

Many thanks to the helpful members who have volunteered and provided needed advice thus far.  
**Phillip Price**, ED Western North Carolina Exchange. [Phillip@pvprice.net](mailto:Phillip@pvprice.net) (813)642-5990

## Exchanges - Outbound

April 7-27, 2016, Outbound Exchange to Greater Taipei, Taiwan  
EDs Terri Holsinger and Reeta Dean

### Ni Hao

**Now** is the time to join the FFSRQ exchange to FF Greater Taipei including a **2-week tour** of mainland China: Beijing, the Great Wall, Yangtze River cruise, Xian (home of the terra cotta army) and Shanghai. Plus **1-week exchange** with FF Greater Taipei experiencing cuisine, memorials to Chang Kai Shek, Dr Sun Yat Sen, Lungshan Temple, parks, markets, gardens, Baoan Temple, city hall, Pingxi Village, national parks, we're hoping for a calla lily farm, national palace museum, geopark visit (depending on your hosts). So many opportunities; so little time. We have 8 spots still available. This invitation goes national end of this week!



**When**--April 7-27, 2016

**How**--plane, trains, boat and good feet.

**How much**—approx. \$4100 for 3 weeks which includes most meals, hotels, air fare from Los Angeles to Shanghai, Beijing to Taipei and Taipei to Los Angeles. **Additional** costs are optional tour trips and domestic travel within US. This figure includes estimated costs of visa, travel insurance and FFI fees.

**\$300 deposit will hold your seat.**

**Go to:** <http://www.gate1travel.com/ffchina.aspx> to review highlights, itinerary, optional tour descriptions, hotels and to make your deposit.

Oct 2, 2015 Exchange will open to all FF clubs

Dec 31, 2015 FFI Exchange fees due in full to treasurer, Stan Holsinger

Jan 15, 2015 Final payment due on 14-day Gate 1 tour; Submit your VISA request form to Genvisa-expediter

Contact your Co-EDs Terri or Reeta for more details.

Terri Holsinger, [terriholsinger@hotmail.com](mailto:terriholsinger@hotmail.com) 317-753-2172

Reeta Dean, [reetatoc@yahoo.com](mailto:reetatoc@yahoo.com), 941-360-8768

**Los Angeles Inbound Exchange Oct 25-30, 2015**

**AGENDA**

Sun, Oct 25    Arrival around 8:00 pm; McDonalds parking lot at Cattleman & Bee Ridge Rd.  
 Mon, Oct 26    9:30 am Welcome  
                   Der Dutchman Amish restaurant, 3713 Bahia Vista St, Sarasota  
                   We will have our own room and use the buffet.                   \$11.00 per person  
                   LeBarge Sunset cruise. 5:30 pm boarding time                   \$25 per person  
 Tues, Oct 27    10:00 Ringling Museum. \$15 per person  
 Wed, Oct 28    10:00 am Mote Marine and Aquarium                   \$15:00 per person  
                   6:00 pm dinner parties for ambassadors and host families  
 Thurs, Oct 29... 10:00 am Marie Selby Botanical Gardens                   \$15.00  
                   6:00 pm farewell dinner, Cafe Gabbiano, [www.cafegabbiano.com](http://www.cafegabbiano.com)  
                   5104 Ocean Blvd. Siesta Key                   \$30 per person  
 Fri, Oct 30    Our guests leave on a road trip

**RSVP for Los Angeles Exchange Activities**

If questions, contact Barbara Peterson, 941-925-3755, [bandwpeterson@verizon.net](mailto:bandwpeterson@verizon.net)

**ACTIVITIES** - Please indicate activities you will attend by entering the # attending for each activity and other applicable information then enclosing a check for the total cost of all activities when returning this RSVP. **RSVP must be received by Monday, October 19, 2015. It's very important to help our members if you have extra passes to Ringling, Mote or Selby to let us know.**

Mon, 10/26	9:30 Welcome breakfast at <b>Der Dutchman Amish Restaurant</b> # Attending: _____ Total for this activity \$ _____	\$11
Mon, 10/26	5:30 <b>LeBarge Sunset Bay Cruise</b> # Attending: _____ Total for this activity \$ _____	\$25
Tues, 10/27	10:00 <b>Ringling Museum</b> # Attending: _____ Total for this activity \$ _____ Will attend but use membership card for free admission # _____ Will attend and use membership pass to get others in for free - # of passes _____	\$15
Wed, Oct 28	10:00 <b>Mote Marine and Aquarium</b> # Attending: _____ Total for this activity \$ _____ Portion of enclosed check for this activity \$ _____ Will attend but use membership for free admission _____ Will attend and use membership to get another person in for free _____	\$15
Thurs, 10/29	10:00 <b>Marie Selby Botanical Gardens</b> # Attending: _____ Total for this activity \$ _____ Portion of enclosed check for this activity \$ _____ Will attend but use membership for free admission _____ Will attend and use membership to get another person in for \$5 (you will <b>not</b> have to pay the \$5) _____	\$15
Thurs, 10/29	6:00 <b>Farewell Dinner</b> at Café Gabbiano. RSVP below	

**NAME(S):** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL of enclosed check for ALL activities** selected above \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND THIS RSVP form by Mon, Oct 19 and CHECK Payable to: Friendship Force Club of Sarasota**

Mail to: Exchange Treasurer – Ramona McGee  
 5316 Dominica Circle, Sarasota FL 34233  
 941-378-2094 or [rmcgee0806@comcast.net](mailto:rmcgee0806@comcast.net)

**LOS ANGELES EXCHANGE**  
**Oct 29, 2015, 6:00 pm**  
**FAREWELL DINNER MENU**

Antipasti – a trio of appetizers served family style on each table

Choice of Entrée:

1. Tortellini Alla Paolo – Cheese stuffed handmade pasta sautéed with ham, mushrooms and peas topped with fresh Alfredo sauce
2. Pollo Mamma Lucia – Boneless chicken breast sautéed with wild mushrooms, Marsala wine, a touch of marinara with mozzarella cheese
3. Salmon Sole Mio – Atlantic salmon sautéed with olive oil, garlic, white wine, cherry tomatoes, fresh basil and herbs

All entrées include seasonal vegetables

Dolci – 3 delicious desserts served family style on each table

Cost \$30 per person includes tax, tip, coffee, tea or 1 soft drink

Cash bar available

Send checks, **payable to Friendship Force Club of Sarasota**, to  
Ramona McGee, 5316 Dominica Circle, Sarasota FL 34233

**Deadline:** RSVP as soon as you're able but absolutely by Mon, Oct 26

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Tear off form and send check  
**Payable to Friendship Force Club of Sarasota**, to  
Ramona McGee  
5316 Dominica Circle, Sarasota FL 34233  
Deadline: ASAP but no later than Mon, Oct 26

I plan to attend Thurs, Oct 29 Farewell Dinner at Café Gabbiano

Enclosed is my check for \$30 x \_\_\_\_ = Total \_\_\_\_\_

My entre choice is #1 Tortellini Alla Paolo **OR** #2 Pollo Mamma Lucia **OR** #3 Salmon Sole Mio  
(Circle one or two depending on # of attendees)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_