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News & Updates

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Dr. Tinsworth Leads the Way

Dr. Steven Tinsworth, President of the Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation continues to lead by example renewing his Shinn Society membership by making a recent leadership gift. "I have taken a leadership role because I know firsthand the need and the opportunity to help make a genuine difference in the life of a young person."



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Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation approved the naming of the Foundation's Leadership Giving Society after Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation founding member and past Kiwanis Club President, Jack Shinn (1922-1997). Jack was a highly decorated World War II Army Captain who endured 18 months of heavy combat in Europe. He was a local bank leader who served on numerous Kiwanis and community projects and committees. The Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation Jack Shinn Leadership Society recognizes annual contributions of \$1,000 or more or cumulative contributions that total \$1,000 or more annually made to the Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation. Contributor names will be listed in all Shinn Society material and communications.

Photo Courtesy of Dr. Tinsworth.

**Bradenton Kiwanis
Foundation Leader Receives**

Distinguished Citizen Award

Congratulations to Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation Board of Directors leader, Hon. Larry Bustle. Mr. Bustle was nominated for the award by County Commissioner Carol Whitmore for a life of "sacrifice and service".



"I would like to think there are many of you in the audience who deserve it equally or better than me. But I appreciate it. I hope the fair (Manatee County Fair) continues to do well, to grow and to be a shining light in our community," Bustle said. [See Bradenton Herald Article](#)

Photo Courtesy of Tiffany Tompkins, Bradenton Herald. Hon. Larry and Edie Bustle hold Distinguished Citizen Award. Back Row: Janelle Esposito, Pat Kennedy and Dan West.

Cliff Walters to Receive Bartz Award

One of Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation's founding members, Cliff Walters, will receive the inaugural Robert P. Bartz Award for Outstanding Leadership at the upcoming Manatee Chamber of Commerce's 55th Annual Dinner.



The Bartz Award celebrates the legacy and leadership of the late Bob Bartz who was a long time Kiwanis Club member and a member of the Board of Directors for the Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation.

Please take a moment to read the following announcement congratulating Mr. Walters from Blalock & Walters. [Blalock & Walters Announcement](#)

Photo Courtesy of Mr. Walters.

Christmas in August Partner

CareerSource Suncoast was one of many community partners that participated in this past year's *Christmas in August* program. Many of the parents of the homeless students are unemployed or are seeking employment. Last year's *Christmas in August* co - chairs Linda Agresta and Karen Carpenter invited CareerSource to assist the parents with job information and employment.



"It was a real pleasure to support the parents of the students who participated with the Kiwanis Christmas in August program. We were able to talk with and share important career and job information with a number of the parents."

Anthony Gagliardo

Photo Courtesy of Johnson Photolmaging. Foreground is Jose Cordovez, Career Counselor/Job coach, seated Anthony Gagliardo assisting a parent and student.

Christmas in August Sponsor

**Michael Saunders
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The Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation was the recent recipient of a \$1,000 contribution from the Michael Saunders Charitable Foundation to support our *Christmas in August* program. A special thank you to Michael Saunders & Company staff members and Christmas in August outstanding volunteers Lisa Morrison and Kathy Bergloff.

"Through the generosity of our agents who choose to voluntarily donate a portion of their real estate commission on each transaction, and our staff who choose to voluntarily contribute throughout the year, we are able to fund grants to well deserving organizations whose important work improves the quality of life along the gulf coast."

Drayton Saunders, President
MSC Foundation

Bert South Award Nominations

Hon. Betsy Benac, Chair for the 2018 Bert South Philanthropic Award is pleased to announce the second annual Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation Bert South Philanthropic Award nominations which are being accepted. Bert South was a forty-year Kiwanis Club member and community leader who very effectively managed the Bradenton Trailer Park (for the Kiwanis Club), was the Executive Director for the Bradenton Boys Club and was the first individual to leave a legacy gift to the Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation.



"The Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation Bert South Philanthropic Award recognizes an individual or family that has made a significant contribution to our community. Bert South represented and practiced the remarkable qualities of leadership, philanthropy and kindness. Those are the same values and qualities appreciated and demonstrated by Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation," stated Mrs. Benac.

"Great leaders such as Bert South recognize and appreciate people that go above and beyond to make our community a better place," states Dr. Steve Tinsworth, President, Bradenton Kiwanis Foundation.

Last year's recipient of the Bert South Award was Rae Dowling, Area Manager for Florida Power & Light.

The nomination deadline is March 30, 2018. Nominations forms can be acquired

by [clicking here](#) or by emailing Roland Emerton at roland.emerton@yahoo.com
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