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Members of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County Practice Etiquette Skills at Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Sarasota, FL (May 7, 2009) —Largely, our society today no longer requires children to curtsy and bow when introduced to someone, nor do they kneel before teachers. However, we do instill principal values in young children such as treating people with kindness and showing consideration to everyone equally. During the last several months, members of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County have been learning core values which encourage appropriate social conduct that generally makes life easier and more enjoyable for everyone. On May 14 beginning at 5:30 p.m., Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar is graciously hosting a celebration and formal dinner for participants of the etiquette class. This is the second year that Flemings has hosted this dinner.

The objective of the etiquette class at the Boys & Girls Clubs is "to make the kids more conscious of their surroundings, other people's feelings in everyday occurrences and to teach them to empathize with other people's points of view," says Terence McGannon, the program's facilitator and volunteer at the Boys & Girls Clubs in Sarasota County. "Teaching kids the basics of etiquette is my way of giving something back to my community, and which I hope will have a positive affect on their lives."

Terence McGannon of Fifth Third Bank began the etiquette class in 2007 at the Lee Wetherington Boys & Girls Club as a 10-week annual program during the school year. For additional information about programs or volunteer opportunities at The Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County, call Tamara Davis Chapman at 366-3911, ext. 121.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County have played an integral role in the Sarasota County community for more than 39 years, providing daily programs and services to more than 8,000 young people. The Mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those that need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.