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## **BUSINESS BUZZ: Chamber kick-off breakfast; Swift Construction gets field contract**

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### **Kick-off Breakfast speaker announced**

**Florida Chamber Foundation** executive vice president **Tony Carvajal** will speak Feb. 19 at the **Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce's** Annual Kick-Off Breakfast.

The event will be held 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at the **Polo Grill**, 10670 Boardwalk Loop, in Lakewood Ranch.

"Attendees will hear the latest trends in the 'Six Pillars' driving Florida's future," Sarasota chamber president **Steve Queior** said. "Seeing the numbers and hearing the stories behind the data — in areas ranging from talent supply to economic development to quality of life — will stimulate our thinking about how to make the Suncoast an even better place."

The local chamber also will present its 2016 strategic goals and announce the 2015 Chamber Ambassador of the year.

For more information or to register, go to [sarasotachamber.com/events](http://sarasotachamber.com/events) or call **Brittany Lamont** at 556-4040

### **Swift Construction gets Taylor contract**

Sarasota-based **Jon F. Swift Construction** won the contract for construction of the new **Robert L. Taylor Community Complex** athletic field.

The project at the intersection of Myrtle Street and North Washington Boulevard includes conversion of the current grass softball field into an artificial, multipurpose turf field with new lighting, fencing, irrigation and parking. The field will be the first of its kind in Sarasota County.

"Renovating Bud Thomas Field from a grass softball field to an artificial field means there will be an opportunity to host a variety of new activities, from soccer to lacrosse and everything in between," Sarasota Mayor Willie Charles Shaw said.

Construction will begin in late Spring. **Stantec Engineering** will be project engineer.

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