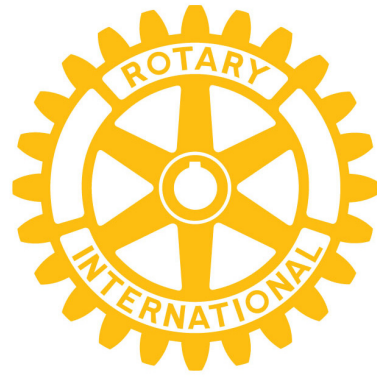


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Spencer A. Barnes Account Executive

Spencer graduated from Georgia Southern University with a bachelor of business administration in management. He specializes in providing employee benefits and cost effective solutions for individuals and families health insurance.

During the open enrollment process he was responsible for providing professional advice in helping to enroll individuals and families into the right plan for their particular needs throughout the panning. With employee benefits, Spencer provides his clients with sound advice to help them navigate through the Affordable Care Act regulations and ensure their compliance. Through the exhibition of premiere customer service and knowledge Spencer is able to provide sound advice and a high level of client satisfaction.

Spencer is originally from Atlanta, Georgia, but today calls Fort Walton Beach home. He attends Shalimar United Methodist Church and is a recent graduate of the Leadership Okaloosa program at Northwest Florida State College.

Highlighting outstanding members during International Women's Day

Rotary News

Thousands of women across Rotary deserve recognition on International Women's Day, March 8, and while it isn't possible to highlight them all, we chose to profile several of them. These are women who work tirelessly on behalf of others, and whose efforts touch lives across the world, often in remote and inhospitable places. With projects focused on child and maternal health, economic development, and other humanitarian concerns, these women are proof of Rotary's diversity and global reach.

Fary Moini

San Diego, California, USA

Rotary Club of La Jolla Golden Triangle

Over the last 10 years, Moini has taken 19 trips to Afghanistan to work on projects ranging from school construction to setting up computer labs. Her fellow Rotary members called her "inspirational" in her involvement in the building of a school in Jalalabad, and in helping to provide neonatal and midwife training for medical professionals.

Carolyn Jones

Anchorage, Alaska, USA

Rotary Club of Anchorage East

The first woman to serve as a Rotary Foundation trustee, Jones has traveled to Russia as a Rotary volunteer five times, three of them as a preschool teacher for developmentally delayed children in orphanages. But her volunteer efforts have taken her elsewhere as well: "In the 27 years that I've been a Rotarian, I've administered polio drops in India, planted trees in Brazil, promoted microcredit in Costa Rica, and delivered baby formula in Uganda," Jones says.

Bernadette Blackstock

Franklinville, New Jersey, USA

Rotary Club of Glassboro Sunrise

The CEO of People for People Foundation, Blackstock helps normally self-sufficient people who have fallen on hard times to afford food, clothing, rent, utilities, medications, and other life necessities. "Since 2003, our foundation has served over 10,000 families," Blackstock says.

Ginger Vann

Baker, Louisiana, USA

Rotary Club of Baker

Vann coordinates a tutoring program for at-risk students. With the help of her club, she renovated a derelict school building and worked with tutors to reach 50 students a day. She's also passionate about workforce development in Baker, where well-paying craftsman jobs often go unfilled. "We're not going out there and finding just anybody; we're targeting the unemployed, underemployed, and veterans," Vann says.



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Chris Welch, who works at the Salvation Army, has been proposed for membership.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

March 11: Ken Wright, Landmark Center

March 18: G. Kay Towner, Investigator for Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office

March 25: Larry Sassano, Florida's Great Northwest

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this day in 1933, at the height of the Great Depression, Franklin Delano Roosevelt is inaugurated as the 32nd president of the United States. In his famous inaugural address, delivered outside the east wing of the U.S. Capitol, Roosevelt outlined his "New Deal" – an expansion of the federal government as an instrument of employment opportunity and welfare – and told Americans that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

On this day in 1952, Ernest Hemingway completes his short novel *The Old Man and the Sea*. He wrote his publisher the same day, saying he had finished the book and that it was the best writing he had ever done. The critics agreed: The book won the Pulitzer Prize in 1953 and became one of his bestselling works.

On this day in 1966, no one in England paid much attention when John Lennon was quoted in the *London Evening Standard* as saying "Christianity will go," Lennon said. "It will vanish and shrink....We're more popular than Jesus now." In their original context, Lennon's remarks were clearly meant not as a boast, but as a sardonic commentary on the waning importance of religion. It was only five months later when the American press got hold of the quote that a scandal erupted that brought a semi-official end to the giddy phenomenon known as Beatlemania.

TODAY IN LOCAL HISTORY

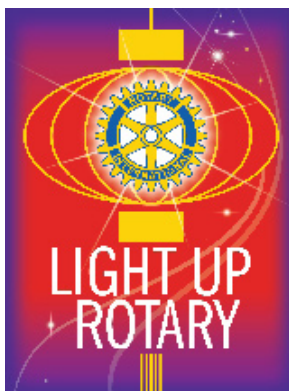
On this day in 1994, the eight 16th Medical Group medics at Hurlburt Field earned medals for treating Army troops on the ground in combat zones. The Bronze Star recipients were: Lt. Col. Thomas M. Dye, Maj. Kathryn W. Weiss, Maj. Donald M. Sandercock II, Capt. Keane K. Hung, Capt. Erwin N. Gines and Capt. David A. White. Army Commendation Medal recipients were Master Sgt. Robert L. Arrant and Tech. Sgt. John K. Mayfield.

ROTARIANS WITH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Laura Kirby, anniversary, March 1

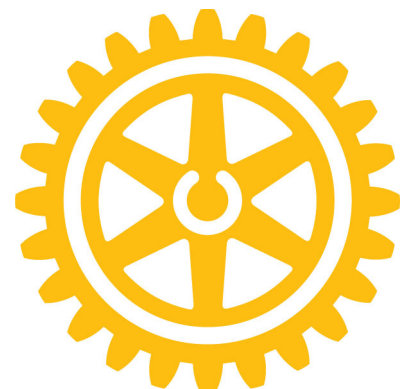
Herb Tinsley, birthday, March 5

Gerry Chalker, anniversary, March 5



ROTARY'S FOUR-WAY TEST

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIP?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ROTARY ROSTER

Bill Alexson
Military Operations Commander

Robert Anderson, SM
CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM
Insurance

James Bass, SM
Funeral Director

Nitsi Bennett, (21) PHF RotY ●
Non-Profit Administration

Debbie Bodenshine, PHF SM RotY
Economic Development

Jeffrey Bost
Banking

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM
Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM
County Planning

Mack Busbee
County Government

Tom Butcher
Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM
Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (7) PHF SM ●
Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY ●
Electronics manufacturing

George Dorris, PHF SM
Dentistry

Jeff Dunford
Banker

J.T. Edwards, PHF SM RotY
Landscaping Owner

Brian Ekedahl, SM
Social Services

Dan Empson
Honorary Member

Cliff Ennis
Business IT Management

Ralph Fallin, (33) PHF SM RotY ●
Dairy Products

Bob Fowner, PHF SM
Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM
Government Contractor

Ben Gordon
Attorney

Ron Grissom, SM
Utilities

Haydon Grubbs, PHF SM
Education

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM
Certified Public Accountant

Ross Hamilton
Education-College

Sallie Hardy, PHF SM
Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM
Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM ●
Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM
Retail Shopping Center

Ken Hinrichs
Non-Profit Administration

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM
Commercial Lending

Chris Johnson, PHF ●
CPA Retired

Laura Kirby
Business Development

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM
Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM
Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM ●●
Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM
Kitchens-Retail

Ted Litschauer, PHF SM
Public Safety

Jamey Mattern, PHF SM
Architect

David Macdonald, SM PHF ●●
Shopping Center Manager

Julie McNabb, SM
Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, SM
Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (12) PHF SM
Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM ●
Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, SM
Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM
Restaurant/Fast Food

Michele Nicholson, SM
Communications

Brian Page, SM
Tax Attorney

Susan Page, SM
Professional Counseling

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY ●
Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF SM
Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY
Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff
Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (8) PHF SM RotY ●
Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM ●
Jeweler

Kathy Pritchard, PHF SM
Commercial Banking

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY ●
Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM
News Media

Katie Sharon, SM
Commercial Banking

Susan Shaw, PHF SM
Fund Raising

Eulice Shelley, PHF SM ●
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Scott Smith, PHF SM ●
Chiropractor

Whitney Smith, SM
Attorney

Allan Stearns, PHF SM ●
Travel Agent

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY ●
Surge Suppression Systems

Randy Stokes, PHF SM ●
Architecture

Kent Tinsley, SM
Commercial Banking

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Savings & Loan Management

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY ●
Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF SM
Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

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Past Service

Aaron Webber, SM
Condo Management

Charles West, PHF SM
Investment Broker

Ken Williamson, PHF SM ●
Retired

Jean Woo, PHF SM
Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF SM
Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood, PHF SM ●●
Psychologist

PHF: Paul Harris Fellows
SM: PH Sustaining Members
RotY: FWB Rotarian of the Year
● FWB Club Past President
●● Other Club Past President

Members in **blue** are recognized as having perfect attendance as of the end of the previous year

Members in **yellow** are on a leave of absence

Don't forget that you can make up missed meetings at neighboring clubs. They include:

Crestview: 12 p.m. Wednesday at Ryan's

Destin: 7:15 a.m. Tuesday at Ruth-erford's at Regatta Bay

DeFuniak Springs: 12 p.m. Wednesday at McLain's Family Steak-house

Mid-Bay: 7 a.m. Wednesday at Bluewater Bay Golf Club

Navarre: 12 p.m. Thursday at Tus-can Grill at Hidden Creek

Niceville: 12 p.m. Thursday at Northwest Florida State College Building K

South Walton: 7:30 a.m. Thurs-day at Embassy Suites