

ROTARY ROSTER

Robert Anderson, SM
CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM
Insurance

James Bass, SM
Funeral Director

Michael Beedie, SM
Government Administration

Nitsi Bennett, PHF RotY ●
Non-Profit Administration

Debbie Bodenstine, PHF SM RotY
Economic Development

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM
Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM
County Planning

Tom Butcher
Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM
Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (5) PHF SM ●
Pension Administration

Jason Clark, (2) SM
Insurance

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY ●
Electronics manufacturing

James Davis, (33) PHF SM ●
Public Utilities

George Dorris, PHF SM
Dentistry

J.T. Edwards, SM
Retail Owner

Brian Ekedahl, SM
Social Services

Dan Empson
Honorary Member

Ralph Fallin, (31) PHF SM RotY ●
Dairy Products

William Foster, PHF SM RotY ●
Attorney

Bob Fowner, (2) PHF SM
Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, (17) PHF SM
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Utilities

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Education

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM
Certified Public Accountant

Sallie Hardy, PHF SM
Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM
Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM ●
Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, (4) SM
Retail Shopping Center

Jeff Hooton, (5) SM
Commercial Lending

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Real Estate

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CPA Retired

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Banking

Cristie Kedroski, SM
Foundation Development

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM
Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM
Certified Public Accountant

Ross LaBlanc, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM ●●
Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM
Kitchens-Retail

Ted Litschauer, SM
Public Safety

Tom Lowrey, PHF ●
Stockbroker

Jamey Mattern, PHF SM
Architect

David Macdonald, SM PHF ●●
Shopping Center Manager

J.R. McDonald, SM
Aerospace Marketing

Julie McNabb, (1) SM
Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, SM
Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (10) PHF SM
Developmental Disabilities

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Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, SM
Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM
Restaurant/Fast Food

Michele Nicholson, SM
Communications

Julie Orr, (1) SM
Personnel Staffing

Brian Page, SM
Tax Attorney

Susan Page, SM
Professional Counseling

Charlie Palmer, SM
Real Estate Development

Roger Peadro, PHF SM
Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF SM
Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, (3) PHF SM RotY
Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (6) PHF SM RotY
Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM ●
Jeweler

Kathy Pritchard, PHF SM
Commercial Banking

Fred Pryor, PHF SM ●
Utility Service-Gas

Ted Rahe, (36) PHF SM ●
Property Management

Dusty Ricketts, SM
News Media

Joe Rollins, SM
Compliance Services

Katie Sharon, SM
Commercial Banking

Susan Shaw, PHF SM
Fund Raising

Eulice Shelley, PHF SM ●
Moving & Storage

Natalie Simpson, SM
Legislative

Pete Smith, PHF SM ●
Property Appraiser

Scott Smith, PHF SM ●
Chiropractor

Whitney Smith, SM
Attorney

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Travel Agent

Rick Stevens, (4) PHF SM RotY ●
Surge Suppression Systems

Randy Stokes, PHF SM ●
Architecture

Kent Tinsley, SM
Commercial Banking

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY ●
Savings & Loan Management

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY ●
Veterinarian

Brian Trigg, SM
Program Analyst

Alex Trum, PHF SM
Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

John Vaughan, PHF SM
Past Service

Yonge Watson, (1) PHF SM ●
Real Estate

Aaron Webber, (2) SM
Condo Management

Charles West, PHF SM
Investment Broker

Ken Williamson, PHF SM ●
Retired

Jean Woo, PHF SM
Dentist

Mike WrightReynolds, (1) PHF SM
Photography

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 Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

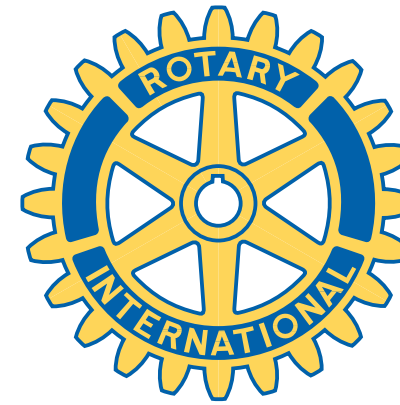
DeFuniak Springs: 12 p.m. Wednesday at McLain's Family Steakhouse

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

Navarre: 12 p.m. Thursday at Tuscan Grill at Hidden Creek

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

South Walton: 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Embassy Suites



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Roger Peadro

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Kathy Pritchard

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Debbie Bodenstine

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Julie Orr

Service Projects:

Aaron Webber

Rotary Foundation:

Jody Henderson

Public Relations:

Michele Nicholson

Club Administration:

Chuck Landers

New Generations:

Debbie Bodenstine

Sergeant at Arms:

Ted Litschauer/Jack Yeiser

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Matt Turpin

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Senate President Don Gaetz

Florida Senate President Don Gaetz began his career in the private sector where he spent more than 30 years working to improve access to quality health care services. He is the retired co-founder of VITAS Healthcare Corporation, which provides innovative hospice care, working with patients and families to offer comfort and preserve dignity in the face of terminal illness. He also served as president of the National Hospice Organization.

While working in the private sector, President Gaetz became concerned with the quality of education his children were receiving in the local public school system. He joined the PTA and was later elected to the school board before becoming the first non-educator ever elected Superintendent of the Okaloosa County School District. Under his leadership, Okaloosa Schools became the highest performing public schools in Florida and won numerous national awards for academic excellence.

In 2006, President Gaetz became the first non-legislator in more than 50 years to be elected to the Florida Senate with no opposition. In November 2012, he was unanimously elected by his Senate colleagues to serve as President of the Florida Senate.

Senator Gaetz earned undergraduate degrees in religion and political science and a master's degree in public administration. Senator Gaetz and his wife, Victoria, have been married for over 30 years. The Gaetz's reside in Niceville where they are members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Their daughter, Erin, is a producer in New York and their son, Matt, is a State Representative for District 4 in Northwest Florida. Senator and Representative Gaetz are the only father-son duo in the Florida Legislature.



World Water Summit draws attention to water's pivotal role

By Diana Schoberg
The Rotarian – June 2013

Water and sanitation are at the nexus of Rotary's six areas of focus, says Ron Denham, of the Rotary Club of Toronto Eglington, Ont., Canada.

"Without water, we'll never have conflict resolution. Without water, we'll never have basic education and literacy," he explains. Denham, who has served as chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG) since its founding in 2007, is stepping down from his post at the end of this month.

On 21 June, he'll speak at the group's fifth World Water Summit, in Lisbon, Portugal.

The Rotarian caught up with Denham recently for a conversation about water and sanitation.

THE ROTARIAN: You recently got back from Uganda. What were you doing there?

DENHAM: In Uganda, all 74 Rotary clubs have come together as part of one water program. It's the first time this has happened anywhere. The program was launched by the Ugandan minister of water and environment a year and a half ago. It's going to transform the country.

TR: What has changed to make such a program possible?

DENHAM: Traditionally, Rotary clubs have thought about small projects. The project might be building a borehole, digging a well, putting in a pipeline. When they've done that, they say, "Now we're finished." The problem is that many of those applications have been unsustainable, because there's no emphasis on behavioral change. There's no emphasis on working with people in the community so they can sustain the systems themselves. So when the Rotarians in Uganda decided they wanted to make a significant impact, I said, "Let's stop talking about small projects. Let's think big." Getting water and sanitation is not an end in itself – it's the means to an end.

TR: You have a PhD in mechanical engineering. How did you get so deep into water?

DENHAM: I was senior partner at a Canadian management consulting firm. Most of our projects in the developing world were rooted in access to water. One project, at Lake Manzala in Egypt, was based on aquaculture and agriculture. In Greece, there was one in the horticultural business, which, again, depends on water. I realized what the impact of water could be. In 2004, incoming RI President Glenn Estess asked me to lead a task force on water. Then in 2007, we formed WASRAG.

TR: Why join WASRAG?

DENHAM: To engage in discussions about how to ensure your project is sustainable. We will help you promote your project among other clubs and find funding. The exchange of information is important. For example, people in many parts of the world are making bio-sand filters and helping communities use them, but the practices are slightly different. On the website, we have a forum where users can share their experiences and learn from one another.

TR: Your term ends this year. What happens next for WASRAG, and for you?

DENHAM: [Past RI President] Bill Boyd is taking over as chair, which is fantastic. He's probably one of the most highly regarded Rotarians there is, and he's very enthusiastic about water. As for me, I told Bill that I will do whatever he wants me to do. I don't think I'm going to retire quietly. My wife wouldn't tolerate that.



UPCOMING SPEAKERS

June 19: Robert Starr, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship

June 26: Dr. Debra Petry, Conflict Resolution

July 3: No meeting

July 10: Annual meeting at the Ramada Plaza Beach Resort

SENATE PRESIDENT DON GAETZ'S WORK PLAN FLORIDA

Upon the conclusion of the 2013 Legislative Session, Senate President Don Gaetz (R-Niceville) and House Speaker Will Weatherford (R-Wesley Chapel) celebrated the completion of their joint legislative agenda, "Work Plan Florida." The joint agenda, announced in January, includes bold steps to tackle ethics and campaign finance reform, fiscally responsible changes to Florida's local public sector pension plans, innovations in Florida's higher education system and a review of Florida election laws. To date, each of the five Work Plan Florida agenda items has been signed in to law by the Governor.

"The Work Plan Florida Agenda highlights our joint commitment to keeping Florida on the road to full economic recovery by rebuilding trust and confidence in government and tying job creation to the realities of the economy through investments in education," said President Gaetz. "This session, the Florida House and Senate focused on tackling big issues and working together, we made meaningful changes to Florida's campaign finance and elections systems, achieved landmark education reforms including an online university institute and delivered on ethics reform," said Speaker Weatherford.

The Florida House and Senate also worked together to address two priorities outlined by Governor Scott. The Legislature passed a balanced budget that provides a salary increase for Florida's best teachers and instructional personnel through a more than \$1 billion increase in K-12 education and also crafted a comprehensive economic development bill to address the Governor's priority of eliminating the sales tax on manufacturing equipment.

"I'm proud of the progress we have made on our Work Plan Florida agenda, as well as Governor's priorities," continued President Gaetz. "Floridians can be proud that unlike the dysfunction in Washington, here in Florida, your Legislature and your Governor have worked together to accommodate each other's priorities and fashion a balanced budget that addresses the critical needs of our state, sets aside savings for a rainy day and makes wise investments in Florida's future."

"The 2013 session will go down as one of the most productive sessions in recent memory," continued Speaker Weatherford. "I want to thank Senate President Gaetz for his leadership and willingness to work with the Florida House and also Governor Scott for making education and job creation a priority."

TODAY IN HISTORY

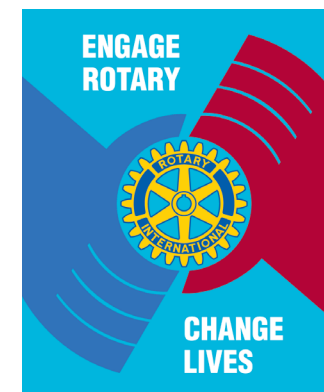
On this day in 1942, Anne Frank, a young Jewish girl living in Amsterdam, receives a diary for her 13th birthday. A month later, she and her family went into hiding from the Nazis in rooms behind her father's office.

On this day in 1987, in one of his most famous Cold War speeches, President Ronald Reagan challenges Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down" the Berlin Wall, a symbol of the repressive Communist era in a divided Germany.

On this day in 1994, Nicole Brown Simpson, famous football player O.J. Simpson's ex-wife, and her friend Ron Goldman are brutally stabbed to death outside Nicole's home in Brentwood, California, in what quickly becomes one of the most highly publicized trials of the century.

TODAY IN LOCAL HISTORY

On this day in 1958, an Army Ranger survival training instructor was recovering at Eglin Air Force Base's hospital from a coral snake bite after the Florida Highway Patrol, ham radio operators and Navy and Coast Guard flyers teamed up to locate an anti-toxin for him in New Orleans.



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?

