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The Rotary Reader

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Will speak on Human Trafficking

Day of Service Crew February 25, 2012



Rotary Park
Fort Walton Beach

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

March 28 - Okaloosa County Sheriff Deputy Steve Hough April 12-15 RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards - Adventures Unlimited - Milton, Florida April 28-29 District 6940 Conference at Edgewater Beach Resort in Panama City Beach

May 4-5 Billy Bowlegs Amateur Golf Tournament at Fort Walton Beach Golf Club

This Day in History

On March 14, 1879, Albert Einstein is born, the son of a Jewish electrical engineer in Ulm, Germany. Einstein's theories of special and general relativity drastically altered man's view of the universe, and his work in particle and energy theory helped make possible quantum mechanics and, ultimately, the atomic bomb.

What Team Are You On?

| Team 1 | Team 2 | Team 3 | Team 4 | Team 5 |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Mary Plummer | Lyndon Poff | Pete Smith | Charlie Potts | Al Stearns |
| Andy Corbin | Jim Curry | James Davis | George Dorris | Buddy Duncan |
| Haydon Grubbs | Chad Hamilton | Sallie Hardy | Tom Hayes | Jody Henderson |
| Johnny Johnson | Cristie Kedroski | Chuck Landers | Tony Leonard | John Linn |
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| Robert Anderson | Jack Arthur | Jan Pooley | Debbie Bodenstine | Kathy Pritchard |
| Eulice Shelley | Natalie Simpson | Nitsi Bennett | Scott Smith | Joe Brewster |
| Forrest Townsend | Brian Trigg | Alex Trum | Matt Turpin | John Vaughan |
| Jean Woo | Mike WrightReynolds | Jack Yeiser | Russ Youngblood | John Foster |
| Team 6 | Team 7 | Team 8 | Team 9 | Team 10 |
| Michele Nicholson | Kevin Cagle | Julie Orr | Gerry Chalker | Roger Peadro |
| Brian Ekedahl | Ralph Fallin | Scotty Foster | Bob Fowner | Tony Gilligan |
| Mitzi Henley | Whitney Hipsh | Jeff Hooton | Bill Howard | Chris Johnson |
| Ted Litschauer | Jamy Mattern | J. R. McDonald | Julie McNabb | Joe Meyer |
| Frank Brutt | Ted Rahe | Chris Calleri | Charlie Palmer | Jason Clark |
| Fred Pryor | Randy Stokes | Bob Richburg | Joe Rollins | Susan Shaw |
| Rick Stevens | John Weaver | Alexis Tibbetts | Kent Tinsley | Herb Tinsley |
| Yonge Watson | Ron Grissom | Aaron Webber | Charles West | Ken Williamson |
| Dusty Ricketts | | David Macdonald | James Bass | |

Dolly Parton helps Rotarians spread literacy

It can be hard to find books in Canada's vast Yukon. Claire Derome, 2009-10 president of the Rotary Club of Whitehorse-Rendezvous, knows of only one bookstore outside the capital, and in remote areas, access to libraries is also limited. Derome wanted to launch a literacy project that would reach all Yukon communities, and she found one in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Every month, Imagination Library mails an age-appropriate book to each child in the program, until age five. Research showed that up to 85 percent of families receiving books through the program read to their children every day.

Derome, who has a graduate degree in education, did not need more convincing. "The number of books you have at home is a good indicator of future success in school," she says. Her Rotary club worked with the Yukon government and the Yukon Literacy Coalition to bring Imagination Library there, and 900 children are currently enrolled. The Dollywood Foundation and the participating community split the program costs; in Yukon, the Whitehorse-Rendezvous club covers the \$3.60 per child per month.

Dawn Rochelle, president of the Rotary Club of Jacksonville, N.C., USA, was drawn to Imagination Library because she knew that every cent her club raised would help put a book directly into the hands of a child.

Rochelle, who is executive director of the nonprofit Onslow County Partnership for Children, brought her organization together with Rotary clubs and the local United Way to launch Imagination Library in Jacksonville, which, as home to Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, has many young military families. At Imagination Library's first local Rotary club presentation, one Rotarian pledged \$10,000 on the spot. So far, 170 children are enrolled in the program. "They're so excited, because they don't have books at home," Rochelle says.

Imagination Library does not have income requirements. "Dolly did not want any child to feel singled out or left out," says David Dotson, president of the Dollywood Foundation. Parton was adamant that the books be new, because of her own experiences growing up with hand-me-downs. And in mailing the books to each young person, she wanted to re-create the joy she felt as a child when the Sears catalog arrived at her home, addressed to her family.

Entire Article at www.rotary.org

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Haydon Grubbs (16th) Brian Ekedahl (17th) Jeff Hooton (19th)



THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

- 1) Is it the truth?
- 2) Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Rotary Roster

Anderson, Robert SM CPA Arthur, Jack PHF SM Insurance Bennett, Nitsi PHF X * Non-Profit Administration Bodenstine, Debbie PHF X SM Economic Development Brewster, Joseph PHF SM Cable Television Brutt, Frank PHF SM County Planning Butcher, Tom Honorary Member Cagle, Kevin SM Office Machines Calleri, Chris Communications Chalker, Gerry PHF SM * Pension Administration Clark, Jason SM Insurance Corbin, Andy PHF SM X * Electronics Mfg. Curry, Jim PHF SM ** Government Management Davis, James PHF SM * **Public Utilities** Dorris, George PHF SM Dentistry Duncan, Buddy SM Chaplain Ekedahl, Brian SM Social Services Empson, Dan Honorary Fallin, Ralph PHF SM X * **Dairy Products** Foster, William PHF SM * X Attorney Fowner, Bob PHF SM Association Manager Gavin, Clifton SM Attorney Gilligan, Tony PHF SM **Government Contractor** Grissom, Ron

Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM

Hamilton, Chad PHF SM

Education

CPA

Henley, Mitzi SM **Retail Shopping Center** Hipsh, Whitney SM Attorney Hooton, Jeff SM Commercial Lending Howard, William PHF Real Estate-General **CPA Retired** Banking Kedroski, Cristie SM **CPA** Linn, John PHF SM Kitchens-Retail Litschauer, Ted SM **Public Safety** Stockbroker Martin, Ralph PHF Aircraft Equipment Mfg. Mattern, Jamey PHF Architect Macdonald, David McDonald, J.R. SM Aerospace Marketing McNabb, Julie SM **Developmental Disabilities** Meyer, Joe Retail/Computers Miller, David O. PHF **Developmental Disabilities** Monroe, Jason SM Communications Morgan, John PHF SM * Computer Engineer Morgan, Matthew SM Electrical Engineer Nelson, Dan PHF SM Restaurant/Fast Food

Hardy, Sallie PHF SM Nicholson, Michele SM **Commercial Properties** Communications Hayes, Tom PHF SM O'Brien, Kevin SM Financial Services **Financial Services** Henderson, Jody PHF SM * Orr, Julie SM Personnel Staffing Accounting/Auditing Palmer, Charlie Real Estate Development Peadro, Roger PHF SM Pastor Plummer, Mary PHF SM Real Estate Sales Poff, Lyndon PHF X SM Paint & Body Shop Pooley, Jan PHF SM X Johnson, Chris PHF * Department Store Johnson, Johnny PHF SM X* Potts, Charlie PHF SM * Jeweler Foundation Development Landers, Chuck PHF SM Leonard, Tony PHF ** Retail/Musical Instruments Lowrey, Thomas PHF *

Pritchard, Kathy PHF SM Commercial Banking Pryor, Fred PHF SM * Utility Service-Gas Rahe, Ted PHF SM * **Property Management** Richburg, Bob PHF SM X College Administration Ricketts, Dusty News Media Rollins, Joe SM **Compliance Services** Shaw, Susan SM **Fund Raising** Shelley, Eulice PHF * Moving & Storage Simpson, Natalie SM Legislative Smith, Pete PHF * SM Appraiser Smith, Scott PHF SM Chiropractor Stearns, Allan PHF SM * Travel Agent Stevens, Rick PHF * X SM Surge Suppression Systems Stokes, Randy PHF SM * Architecture Tibbetts. Alexis SM Schools Tinsley, Kent SM Commercial Banking

Tinsley, Herb PHF * X SM

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Townsend, Forrest PHF* X SM Veterinarian Trigg, Brian SM Program Analyst Trum, Alex PHF SM Orthodontist Retired Turpin, Matt SM CPA Vaughan, John PHF SM **Past Service** Watson, Yonge PHF*SM Real Estate Weaver, John SM Youth Organization Mgmt. Webber, Aaron SM Condo Management West, Charles PHF Investment Broker Williamson, Ken PHF SM * Retired Woo, Jean PHF SM **Dentist** WrightReynolds, Mike PHF SM Photography Yeiser, Jack PHF Mortgage Broker Youngblood, Russ PHF**SM **Psychologist** PHF: Paul Harris Fellows X FWB Rotarian of the Year

SM: PH Sustaining Members * FWB Club Past Presidents ** Past President Other Clubs

Members in purple have perfect attendance.

Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.

Don't forget that you can make up a missed meeting at a neighboring club. They include:

Crestview: Wednesday noon, Ryan's Destin: Tuesday 7:15 a.m. Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

DeFuniak Springs: Wednesday 12:00 p.m., McLain's

Family Steakhouse

Mid-Bay: Wednesday 7 a.m., Bluewater Bay Golf Club Navarre: Thursday noon, Tuscan Grill at Hidden

Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K

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