



The Rotary Reader

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Presidential Citation Award Winner – 18th Consecutive Year

The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

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Jose Jimenez, M.D.

Family Medicine

Board Certified



Medical Education

Board certified in family medicine, Dr. Jimenez completed medical school and his first year of residency training at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. He completed two years of residency training at St. Mary Hospital in Port Arthur, Texas and completed his fellowship training at the Faculty Development Center in Waco, Texas.

Medical Interests

Dr. Jimenez has special medical interests in preventive and emergency medicine and caring for the elderly.

Profile

Dr. Jimenez enjoys spending time with his family, scuba diving, playing tennis & working on aircraft mechanics.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

- April 28-29 District 6940 Conference at Edgewater Beach Resort in Panama City Beach
 April 25 Don Amunds will speak on the Special Olympics
 April 25 Time to stuff backpacks again at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 1:30
 May 2 Jim Breitenfeld will speak on DSI
 May 4-5 Billy Bowlegs Amateur Golf Tournament at Fort Walton Beach Golf Club

This Day in History

In 1906 at 5:13 a.m., an earthquake estimated at close to 8.0 on the Richter scale strikes San Francisco, California, killing hundreds of people as it topples numerous buildings. The quake was caused by a slip of the San Andreas Fault over a segment about 275 miles long, and shock waves could be felt from southern Oregon down to Los Angeles.

On this day in 1942, 16 American B-25 bombers, launched from the aircraft carrier USS *Hornet* 650 miles east of Japan and commanded by Lieutenant Colonel James H. Doolittle, attack the Japanese mainland.

American actress Grace Kelly marries Prince Rainier of Monaco in a spectacular ceremony on this day in 1956.

What Team Are You On?

Team 1 - \$1900.00	Team 2 - \$2500.00	Team 3 - \$2250.00	Team 4 - \$3550.00	Team 5 - \$1575.00
Mary Plummer	Lyndon Poff	Pete Smith	Matt Turpin	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
Dave Miller	Jason Monroe	John Morgan	Matt Morgan	Dan Nelson
Robert Anderson	Jack Arthur	Jan Pooley	Debbie Bodensine	Kathy Pritchard
Eulice Shelley	Natalie Simpson	Nitsi Bennett	Charlie Potts	Joe Brewster
Forrest Townsend	Brian Trigg	Alex Trum	Scott Smith	John Vaughan
Jean Woo	Mike WrightReynolds	Jack Yeiser	Russ Youngblood	John Foster
Team 6 - \$500.00	Team 7 - \$1250.00	Team 8 - \$1900.00	Team 9 - \$2750.00	Team 10 - \$1800.00
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	Jamey 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	Ross LeBlanc	David Macdonald	James Bass	Richard Kunkel

The Land that Rain Forgot

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In East Africa, the rains come twice a year. In the spring, the long rains soak the ground, fill the wells, swell the rivers, and nourish the plants. In the fall, the short rains tide the land over until spring. In good years, farmers can get three crops out of their fields, the nomads' cattle grow fat, and families laugh together over dinner. In bad years, none of that happens.

In late 2010, the short rains failed and hunger came. Early in 2011, people looked at the sky and hoped, but the long rains never came either. The hunger got much worse, very quickly. An estimated 70 percent of herd animals died. It was the region's worst drought in 60 years, and soon refugees started pouring into camps. Across the Horn of Africa, the famine has affected about 12 million people, who face increased risks of armed conflict, human trafficking, and outbreaks of diseases like cholera, in addition to hunger.

On a Sunday afternoon in July, Paula Lanco-Mutua, a member of the Rotary Club of Karen-Nairobi, was at home watching a movie with her three kids when the phone rang. The call was from Abbas Gullet, head of the Kenyan Red Cross, which works on the front lines whenever the country is facing a crisis: flooding on the coast, fires in the city, violence after elections.

This time, the situation was one that reached past Kenya's borders. It was also one that some members of the Kenyan government were denying: famine.

Making the famine known

In the county's remote Turkana region, people were dying. The crisis in Ethiopia and Somalia was making headlines, but the famine in far northern Kenya went unnoticed. Gullet needed Rotarians' help to show the world what was happening, and had arranged for a plane to Turkana to leave the next morning. Could Lanco-Mutua be on it?

Of course, she said, and then asked if she could bring some other Rotarians along. "Geeta Manek was the first one to come to my mind," Lanco-Mutua says. "Whenever there is a crisis, Geeta is there." Along with Manek, who is governor-elect of District 9200 (Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda), she asked Janet Mathenge, president of the Karen-Nairobi club, and Harry Mugo, a member of the Rotary Club of Nairobi North.

The next morning, 25 July, the four Rotarians met at the airport, along with a phalanx of reporters Gullet had also invited. They piled into a twin-propeller plane and headed north. They got their first glimpse of the drought from above.

"There was a lot of land – vast, empty land," Lanco-Mutua says. "We couldn't believe it from up there. It looked like a desert. It was so dry. You couldn't see any life – no trees, no water, no animals, nothing."

[Read the rest of this article in the April issue of The Rotarian](#)

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

JT Edwards



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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

Utilities

Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM

Education

Hamilton, Chad PHF SM

CPA

Hardy, Sallie PHF SM

Commercial Properties

Hayes, Tom PHF SM

Financial Services

Henderson, Jody PHF SM *

Accounting/Auditing

Henley, Mitzi SM

Retail Shopping Center

Hipsh, Whitney SM

Attorney

Hooton, Jeff SM

Commercial Lending

Howard, William PHF

Real Estate-General

Johnson, Chris PHF *

CPA Retired

Johnson, Johnny PHF SM X *

Banking

Kedroski, Cristie SM

Foundation Development

Kunkel, Richard

Education

Landers, Chuck PHF SM

CPA

Leonard, Tony PHF **

Retail/Musical Instruments

Linn, John PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Litschauer, Ted SM

Public Safety

Lowrey, Thomas PHF *

Stockbroker

Martin, Ralph PHF

Aircraft Equipment Mfg.

Mattern, Jamey PHF

Architect

Macdonald, David

Retail Management

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

Nicholson, Michele SM

Communications

O'Brien, Kevin SM

Financial Services

Orr, Julie SM

Personnel Staffing

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

Department Store

Potts, Charlie PHF SM *

Jeweler

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 PHFSM**

Psychologist

PHF: Paul Harris Fellows

SM: PH Sustaining Members

* FWB Club Past Presidents

** Past President Other Clubs

X FWB Rotarian of the Year

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

Creek

Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K

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