

ROTARY ROSTER

Robert Anderson, SM
CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM
Insurance

James Bass, SM
Funeral Director

Michael Beedie, SM
Government Administration

Nitsi Bennett, (20) PHF RotY ●
Non-Profit Administration

Debbie Bodenstine, PHF SM RotY
Economic Development

Jeffrey Bost
Banking

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM
Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM
County Planning

Tom Butcher
Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM
Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (6) PHF SM ●
Pension Administration

Jason Clark, SM
Insurance

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY ●
Electronics manufacturing

George Dorris, PHF SM
Dentistry

J.T. Edwards, SM
Landscaping Owner

Brian Ekedahl, SM
Social Services

Dan Empson
Honorary Member

Ralph Fallin, (32) PHF SM RotY ●
Dairy Products

William Foster, PHF SM RotY ●
Attorney

Bob Fowner, PHF SM
Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM
Government Contractor

Ron Grissom, SM
Utilities

Haydon Grubbs, PHF SM
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, (5) SM
Retail Shopping Center

Jeff Hooton, SM
Commercial Lending

William Howard, PHF
Real Estate

Chris Johnson, PHF ●
CPA Retired

Johnny Johnson, (41) PHF SM RotY ●
Banking

Cristie Kedroski, SM
Foundation Development

Laura Kirby
Business 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

Julie McNabb, SM
Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, SM
Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (11) 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, (1) SM
Tax Attorney

Susan Page, SM
Professional Counseling

Charlie Palmer, SM
Real Estate Development

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY
Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF SM
Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY
Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (7) PHF SM RotY ●
Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM ●
Jeweler

Kathy Pritchard, PHF SM
Commercial Banking

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY ●
Utility Service-Gas

Ted Rahe, (37) PHF SM ●
Property Management

Dusty Ricketts, SM
News Media

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

Allan Stearns, PHF SM ●
Travel Agent

Rick Stevens, 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

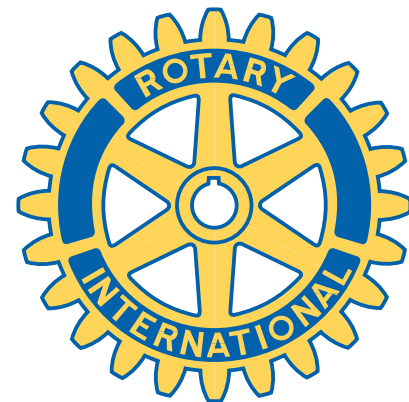
Alex Trum, PHF SM
Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

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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The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

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Board of Directors

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Aaron Webber

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Jody Henderson

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Michele Nicholson

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Katie Sharon

Youth Service:
Debbie Bodenstine

Sergeant at Arms:
Ross LeBlanc/Joe Meyer

Scholarship, Inc.:
Matt Turpin

Rotary Reader:
Dusty Ricketts

Executive Secretary:
Lorrageia Jackson
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Nathan Sparks Okaloosa County Economic Development Council executive director



Nathan Sparks began his career in economic development in 1998 when he took the position of Research Analyst with the Economic Development Partnership of Alabama. In this role, Nathan was heavily involved in the development of a statewide targeted industry recruitment strategy which emphasized the state's automotive-related assets.

In 2000, Nathan joined The St. Joe Company, where his primary responsibility was the implementation of a comprehensive economic development branding and marketing strategy for the northwest Florida region. He was also significantly involved in creating the region's 16-county economic development partnership, Florida's Great Northwest, Inc.

Nathan was named Executive Director of the Brunswick and Glynn County (Georgia) Development Authority in February 2005. During his time at BGCDA, Nathan spear-headed the development of two new industrial parks, implemented an aggressive target marketing campaign and was responsible for generating tens of millions of dollars of new investment and hundreds of new jobs.

Nathan was invited to lead the Economic Development Council of Okaloosa County in June 2013. As Executive Director of the EDC, Nathan is responsible for the day-to-day management and oversight of an organization dedicated to advancing the economic vitality of Okaloosa County, its businesses and communities.

Nathan graduated from Oglethorpe University in 1998 with a degree in International Business. He is a 2002 graduate of the University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute and was awarded the Certified Economic Developer designation by the International Economic Development Council in 2006. Nathan was recognized in 2007 as one of the community's "Top 20 Under 40" by Golden Isles Magazine and in 2008 as one of Georgia's "Top 40 Under 40: Georgia's Best and Brightest" by Georgia Trend magazine.

Nathan is married to the former Susan Wilkes and they have a 7-year old son, Jackson.

Engineering sustainable water solutions in Latin America

By Sallyann Price
The Rotarian

Perched in the rugged mountains of central Ecuador, the village of Tingo Pucará seems an unlikely place for artistic inspiration to strike. But Tony Riggio never leaves his camera behind—and his photos of Tingo Pucará illustrate what can happen when Rotary members and young people team up on a water project.

Riggio has been leading youth expeditions to Central and South America since 2001, when his daughter participated in a program of Builders Beyond Borders (B3), a nonprofit based in Connecticut, USA. Construction projects have included hurricane shelters in the Dominican Republic, bridges in Nicaragua, and classrooms in Costa Rica.

Water and sanitation are always primary components.

“People don’t believe what you tell them sometimes—that things are how they are in parts of Central and South America,” says Riggio, a member of the Rotary Club of Westport. “Water is such a precious commodity.”

In April 2011, Riggio traveled to Tingo Pucará—one of five B3 project sites across Ecuador that season—to build pipelines in a joint effort with the Peace Corps and Engineers Without Borders. The village stands at an altitude of 12,600 feet, with the nearest spring about 4,900 feet down a steep path.

Historically, faced with a lack of potable water and arable land, the men of Tingo Pucará have headed to the lowlands to find work, leaving the women to transport water for cooking, washing, and drinking. Before the project was completed, the 26 village families had as little as 15 minutes of running water per month, sent from a neighboring area when available.

The engineers designed a pumping system to draw water from the spring-fed stream, and the B3 team, made up of high school students and adult advisers, worked with locals to install the pipes, which now bring running water to homes.

“For our kids, that project was not very rewarding—until the last day, when we got to turn the water on,” says Amy Schroeder-Riggio, executive director of Builders Beyond Borders and Riggio’s wife. “When you’re doing a water project, you are laying the pipe, you’re covering it over, and it doesn’t even look like you were there. But when they turn the water on and everybody’s crying, it’s an incredible moment.”

Collaborating with the worldwide networks of the Peace Corps and Rotary boosts credibility and facilitates relationships, Schroeder-Riggio says. In 2008, B3 built a school for hearing-impaired students in San Marcos, Guatemala, with help from a local Rotary club. This year B3 teams will partner with the Rotary Club of Georgetown, Guyana, on five construction projects, including community centers and a sand bridge that will connect coastal islands to medical facilities.



High school students from the Builders Beyond Borders program help install pipes that will carry water to the mountain town.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Sept. 25: Ted Kirchharr, Rotary District 6940 Governor

Oct. 2: Kevin Loch, health care

Oct. 9: Leon Hirsh, special wheelchairs for Rotary International

Oct. 16: Dan O’Byrne, Okaloosa County Tourist Development Council

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this day in 1793, George Washington lays the cornerstone to the U.S. Capitol building, which would take nearly a century to complete as architects came and went, the British set fire to it and it was called into use during the Civil War.

On the day in 1960, Fidel Castro arrives in New York City as the head of the Cuban delegation to the United Nations. Castro’s visit was climaxed by his speech to the United Nations on Sept. 26.

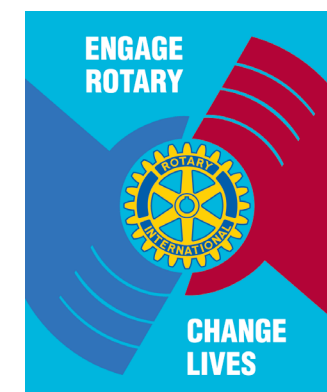
On this day in 1973, future President Jimmy Carter files a report with the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena claiming he had seen an Unidentified Flying Object while waiting for a Lion’s Club meeting to begin in Leary, Georgia, in October of 1969.

TODAY IN LOCAL HISTORY

On this day in 1981, a Fort Walton Beach man who served two days of jury duty was charged by the state attorney’s office with trying to prove to his employer that he served five days as a juror with a forged certificate of the clerk of court, a felony.

ROTARIANS WITH RECENT BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Aaron Webber, birthday Sept. 17



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?

