



# The Rotary Reader

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**Presidential Citation Award Winner – 18<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year**

## The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

### Board of Directors

#### **President:**

**Scott Smith**

#### **Vice-President:**

**Jan Pooley**

#### **Secretary:**

**Jason Clark**

#### **Treasurer:**

**Roger Peadro**

#### **Past President:**

**Al Stearns**

### Committee Chairs

#### **Membership:**

Julie Orr

#### **Services Projects:**

Roger Peadro

#### **Rotary Foundation:**

Jan Pooley

#### **Public Relations:**

Jamey Mattern

#### **Club Administration:**

Aaron Webber

#### **Sergeant at Arms:**

Mike WrightReynolds

#### **Programs:**

Chad Hamilton

#### **Scholarship, Inc.:**

Natalie Simpson

#### **Social Committee**

Vacant

#### **Bulletin**

Aaron Webber

#### **Executive Secretary**

Nancy Robinson

#### **Assistant District**

#### **Governor**

Rick Stevens



## Lieutenant Colonel

## James E. Collins II

Lieutenant Colonel James E. Collins II is the Commander for the 86th Fighter Weapons Squadron, 53d Weapons Evaluation Group, 53d Wing, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. The squadron comprises of approximately 51 military and civilian personnel at two locations in Florida and Utah. The 86th Fighter Weapons Squadron conducts the USAF's Air-to-Ground Weapon System Evaluation Program, also known as Combat

Hammer. The mission of Combat Hammer is to evaluate the reliability, maintainability, suitability and accuracy of operationally fielded precision-guided and high technology weapons against realistic targets protected by realistic enemy defenses.

Colonel Collins grew up near Ft Worth, Texas, and entered the Air Force after graduating from the US Air Force Academy in 1995. After graduating from Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, he was qualified in the F-16 Fighting Falcon. Colonel Collins was assigned to Cannon AFB, New Mexico, and Osan AB, Republic of Korea, before attending the US Air Force Weapons School, Class 03BIF. Following an assignment to Eielson AFB, Alaska, Colonel Collins attended Air Command and Staff College. After graduation he was assigned to HQ North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) before moving to Eglin AFB, Florida, to become the Operations Officer of the 86th Fighter Weapons Squadron.

Colonel Collins is a Command Pilot with more than 1,900 hours in the F-16 Fighting Falcon. He has experience in PACAF and ACC, and has flown combat operations over Iraq.

### EDUCATION

1995 Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Science, US Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO

2002 USAF Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL

2003 USAF Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, NV

2006 Joint Air Operations Planning Course, Maxwell AFB, AL

2006 Air Command and Staff College, Distant Learning, Maxwell AFB, AL

2007 Masters of Science in Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

### THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### 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?



### Quote of the Day

***“You cannot depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus.” - Mark Twain***

### UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

- 2/1 Bag Food for Weekend Backpack - Today at 1:30 right after Rotary meeting at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
- 2/25 Rotary Day of Service - 9am at Rotary Park. Social gathering after (TBD).
- 4/28-29 District 6940 Conference at Edgewater Beach Resort in Panama City Beach

### USELESS INFORMATION

When sick, a plant will run a fever.

France is where the kilt originated.

The only state capital without a McDonalds is Montpelier, Vermont.

Screeched is the longest one-syllable word in the English language.

In the 1830's ketchup was sold as a medicine.

Tom Sawyer was the first novel written on a typewriter.

Tongue prints are as unique as fingerprints.

## Rotary Historic Moments: Firsts and other fun facts

Did you know that Rotary founder Paul Harris wasn't the first president of a Rotary club?

That distinction is actually held by Harris's friend Silvester Schiele, who served as the first president of the Rotary Club of Chicago. Harris deferred his club leadership duties until February 1907, when he was elected the third president of the Chicago club.

### Club firsts

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Chicago for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting. A second club was formed in San Francisco in 1908, and soon after, clubs began to pop up across North America.

On 1 August 1912, the Rotary Club of London became the first club chartered outside of North America. The Rotary Club of Dublin, Ireland, had been organized earlier, but didn't receive its charter until 1 May 1913.

### Presidential firsts

Paul Harris was elected as first president of the National Association of Rotary Clubs (which later became Rotary International) in 1910, and is the only president to have served two terms.

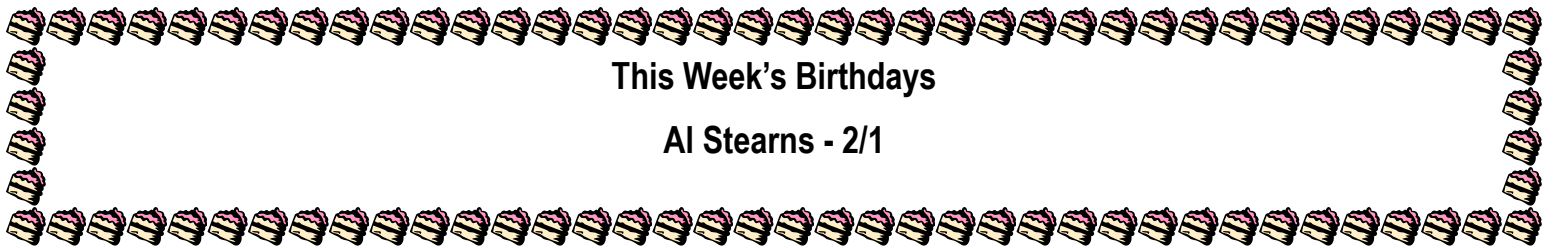
Other firsts: Canadian E. Leslie Pidgeon (1917-18) was the first Rotary president from outside the United States, Sydney W. Pascall (1931-32) was the first from Great Britain, and Maurice Duperrey (1937-38) was the first from continental Europe.

### Foundation firsts

In 1929, The Rotary Foundation gave its first gift, US\$500, to the International Society for Crippled Children (later Easter Seals), which was founded in 1921 by Rotarian Edgar F. Allen, of the Rotary Club of Elyria, Ohio, USA.

Paul Harris Fellow recognition was established in 1957 to show appreciation for contributions, and to encourage substantial ones, to what was then the Foundation's only program: Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships. Today, the recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

See complete story at <http://www.rotary6940.org>



This Week's Birthdays

Al Stearns - 2/1

## HAITI TRIP

**Rotary District 6940 is planning a humanitarian trip to Haiti to continue the earthquake recovery work that has been underway for almost two years. Details have not been finalized but tentative schedule is 1st or 2nd week in March. Let Scott know if you are interested in being a part of this vital mission.**

# 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

**Conner, Tom PHF SM**

News Media

**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

**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

**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

**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

**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

**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

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