



# The Rotary Reader

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## Discover why Lisbon is a Sailors' Delight Register by 15 December to Save

by Susie Ma

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During the Age of Discovery, Portuguese explorers landed in places that are now home to many Rotarians who will attend the 2013 RI Convention in Lisbon, 23-26 June. (Register by 15 December to enjoy the best rate).

Prince Henry the Navigator, son of King John I, paved the way for Portugal's dominance in exploration by sponsoring excursions that crept southward along the coast of Africa in the early 15th century. (In 1484, Christopher Columbus approached King John II with a proposal to sail west in search of the Indies, but it was rejected. Spain got the credit for that famed journey.)

Among the great Portuguese explorers was Bartolomeu Dias, who in 1488 sailed around the Cape of Good Hope, the southernmost tip of Africa, ultimately proving to Europeans that it was possible to reach the Indies (and their valuable spices) by sea. In 1497, Vasco da Gama went farther, sailing up the eastern coast of Africa and across the Arabian Sea to reach India. Three years later, Pedro Álvares Cabral, en route to India, first sailed southwest to what is now Brazil.

In 1519, Ferdinand Magellan led the first expedition to circumnavigate the globe – although Magellan himself perished in a battle in the Philippines and did not complete the trip. Magellan was Portuguese, but because he'd fallen out of favor in his home country, his fleet sailed under the Spanish flag.

You can see evidence of Portugal's prosperity during this era at some of Lisbon's most beautiful sites, including the Jerónimos Monastery, which houses da Gama's tomb, and Belém Tower, built to defend the mouth of the Tagus River.

- ◆ Register by 15 December and save.
- ◆ Sign up for the RI Convention Update for the latest news on the convention.
- ◆ Get resources to promote the convention to your Rotarian friends.
- ◆ Read more stories from *The Rotarian* or sign up for the digital edition.





## Fifty Years of Interact

Interact clubs around the world are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the program.

## Rotarians with Birthdays this Week

Jack Yeiser

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

December 5

Mayor Mike Anderson

## Service Opportunities

- ◆ Can Tabs - Don't forget to bring in your can tabs and give them to Rick Stevens. The tabs are given to Ronald McDonald House to help support their great cause.
- ◆ Please consider becoming a mentor to a young person at one of our local schools. We have 3 Rotarians from our club involved in this great program. Let's get to 10! Call 833-7614 for details on signing up.

## This Day in History

**On this day** in 1520, After sailing through the dangerous straits below South America that now bear his name, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan enters the Pacific Ocean with three ships, becoming the first European explorer to reach the Pacific from the Atlantic.

**On this day** in 1925, The Grand Ole Opry, one of the longest-lived and most popular showcases for western music, begins broadcasting live from Nashville, Tennessee. The showcase was originally named the Barn Dance, after a Chicago radio program called the National Barn Dance that had begun broadcasting the previous year.

**On this day** in 1954, Nobel Prize-winning physicist Enrico Fermi, the first man to create and control a nuclear chain reaction, and one of the Manhattan Project scientists, dies in Chicago at the age of 53.



## 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

**Bass, James SM**

Funeral Director

**Beedie, Michael SM**

Government Administration

**Bennett, Nitsi (19) PHF X \***

Non-Profit Administration

**Bodenstine, Debbie PHF SM X**

Economic Development

**Brewster, Joseph PHF SM**

Cable Television

**Brutt, Frank PHF SM**

County Planning

**Butcher, Tom**

Honorary Member

**Cagle, Kevin SM**

Office Machines

**Chalker, Gerry (5) PHF SM \***

Pension Administration

**Clark, Jason (2) SM**

Insurance

**Corbin, Andy PHF SM X \***

Electronics Mfg.

**Davis, James (33) PHF SM \***

Public Utilities

**Dorris, George PHF SM**

Dentistry

**Edwards, JT SM**

Retail Owner

**Ekedahl, Brian SM**

Social Services

**Empson, Dan**

Honorary

**Fallin, Ralph (31) PHF SM X \***

Dairy Products

**Foster, William PHF SM X \***

Attorney

**Fowner, Bob (2) PHF SM**

Association Manager

**Gilligan, Tony (17) PHF SM**

Government Contractor

**Grissom, Ron SM**

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 (4) SM**

Retail Shopping Center

**Hooton, Jeff (5) SM**

Commercial Lending

**Howard, William PHF**

Real Estate-General

**Johnson, Chris PHF \***

CPA Retired

**Johnson, Johnny (40) PHF SM X \***

Banking

**Kedroski, Cristie SM**

Foundation Development

**Kunkel, Richard SM**

Education

**LaBlanc, Ross SM**

CPA

**Landers, Chuck PHF SM**

CPA

**Leonard, Tony PHF SM \*\***

Retail/Musical Instruments

**Linn, John PHF SM**

Kitchens-Retail

**Litschauer, Ted SM**

Public Safety

**Lowrey, Tom PHF \***

Stockbroker

**Mattern, Jamey PHF SM**

Architect

**Macdonald, David SM PHF \*\***

Shopping Center Mgr

**McDonald, J.R. SM**

Aerospace Marketing

**McNabb, Julie (1) SM**

Developmental Disabilities

**Meyer, Joe SM**

Retail/Computers

**Miller, David O. (10) PHF SM**

Developmental Disabilities

**Morgan, John PHF SM \***

Computer Engineer

**Morgan, Matthew SM**

Electrical Engineer

**Nelson, Dan PHF SM**

Restaurant/Fast Food

**Nicholson, Michele SM**

Communications

**Orr, Julie (1) SM**

Personnel Staffing

**Page, Brian SM**

Tax Attorney

**Page, Susan SM**

Professional Counseling

**Palmer, Charlie SM**

Real Estate Development

**Peadro, Roger PHF SM**

Pastor

**Plummer, Mary PHF SM**

Real Estate Sales

**Poff, Lyndon (3) PHF X SM**

Paint & Body Shop

**Pooley, Jan (6) 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 (36) PHF SM \***

Property Management

**Ricketts, Dusty SM**

News Media

**Rollins, Joe SM**

Compliance Services

**Sharon, Katie SM**

Commercial Banking

**Shaw, Susan SM**

Fund Raising

**Shelley, Eulice PHF SM \***

Moving & Storage

**Simpson, Natalie SM**

Legislative

**Smith, Pete PHF SM \***

Appraiser

**Smith, Scott PHF SM \***

Chiropractor

**Smith, Whitney SM**

Attorney

**Stearns, Allan (21) PHF SM \***

Travel Agent

**Stevens, Rick (4) PHF SM X \***

Surge Suppression Systems

**Stokes, Randy PHF SM \***

Architecture

**Tibbetts, Alexis SM**

Schools

**Tinsley, Kent SM**

Commercial Banking

**Tinsley, Herb PHF SM X \***

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

**Townsend, Forrest PHF SM X \***

Veterinarian

**Trigg, Brian SM**

Program Analyst

**Trum, Alex PHF SM**

Orthodontist Retired

**Turpin, Matt SM**

CPA

**Vaughan, John PHF SM**

Past Service

**Watson, Yonge (1) PHF SM \***

Real Estate

**Webber, Aaron (2) SM**

Condo Management

**West, Charles PHF SM**

Investment Broker

**Williamson, Ken PHF SM \***

Retired

**Woo, Jean PHF SM**

Dentist

**WrightReynolds, Mike (1) PHF SM**

Photography

**Yeiser, Jack PHF SM**

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 are recognized as achieving perfect attendance as of the end of the previous year (June 30th)

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