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BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID A. HARRIS

Brig. Gen. David A. Harris is Commander, 96th Test Wing, Air Force Materiel Command, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. He leads more than 9,800 military, civilian, and contractor personnel, in accomplishing the Test Wing's missions of developmental testing and evaluation of conventional munitions, command and control systems, aircraft avionics and guidance systems, and radar cross section measurement. He is also responsible for providing all base operating support, infrastructure, and services support for the Department of Defense's largest installation (724 square miles). He commands eight groups and 32 squadrons. The Test Wing operates 41 modified test aircraft; manages 120,000 square miles of over-water test ranges, plus facilities in six different states. The 96th TW also supports seven tenant wings and wing equivalent units--to include the 33rd Fighter Wing (F-35 Joint Strike Fighter), the Army's 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Joint Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training Center-- and 37 other associate units including the Army's 6th Ranger Training Battalion and the Air Force's 20th Space Control Squadron. As commander, he interacts with local officials across a three-county, 11-city region with a military economic impact of \$2.7 billion annually.



General Harris was commissioned in 1986 after completing Brigham Young University's Air Force ROTC program as a distinguished graduate. He has held various assignments in flying units including Instructor and Evaluator Electronic Warfare Officer in the EF-111A, and experimental flight test weapon systems officer in the B-1B. He has also served as a legislative fellow with the 106th U.S. Congress and in a joint-staff assignment as Chief of Current Operations at U.S. Forces, Japan.

He has served as director of the Global Power Bomber Combined Test Force and commanded the 419th Flight Test Squadron at Edwards AFB, Calif. He is a graduate of Air War College, and has served as deputy director of the Air Force Research Laboratory's Materials and Manufacturing Directorate and as special assistant for Base Realignment and Closure at Headquarters AFMC. General Harris also served as Commander of the 46th Test Group at Holloman AFB, N.M.

Prior to serving as the Vice Commander of the Air Armament Center, General Harris was a wing commander. He is experienced in multiple aircraft weapons systems, is a master combat systems officer with more than 2,000 flying hours, and has combat experience in the EF-111.



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 6940 CONFERENCE

April 19 – 21, 2011

“Celebrating Peace Through Service”

Wyndham Bay Point Resort, Panama City, Florida



Algarve's ocean vistas await Rotarians attending Lisbon convention

by Vanessa N. Glavinskas
The Rotarian – March 2013

The whitewashed towns and golden beaches of Portugal’s southern coast make it a favored destination among Europeans. Separated from the rest of the country by two mountain ranges, the Algarve region has a Mediterranean climate and a distinct identity. It was the last Portuguese territory ruled by the Moors, and that influence is evident from the architecture to the almond trees.

Rotarians who attend the 2013 RI Convention in Lisbon, 23-26 June, will be hours away by bus, train, or car from the Algarve’s ocean vistas and natural wonders. (Save US\$50 when you register before 31 March) The coastline of **Ponta da Piedade**, south of the village of Lagos, is a stunning collection of rock formations. **Lagos** is a popular spot to explore Portugal’s maritime history: It was the launching point for many expeditions during the Age of Discovery.



Quinta do Lago, Almancil, and Quarteira, known as the “Golden Triangle,” specialize in luxury accommodations, top-notch golf courses, and high-end shopping. **Vilamoura** is the area’s largest resort. Its 4,000 acres contain three golf courses, along with tennis courts, shops, a casino, and a bustling marina. A bit further inland, **Silves** is home to the well-preserved Castelo de Silves, a Moorish fortress.

Sagres is situated near Cabo São Vicente, once considered the end of the world. The ancients believed that the sun sank right into the ocean each night.

Register for the 2013 RI Convention by 31 March for a special rate.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

- March 6 Stuff Back Backpacks after Weekly Rotary Meeting
- March 13 Mike Rojas, YMCA of the Emerald Coast
- March 20 Jim Szabo, Shalimar Point CC

Witnesses to history

by Sallyann Price
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 Photos by Alyce Henson

The first Rotary club in Ukraine was chartered in 1992, mere months after the formal dissolution of the Soviet Union. Twenty years later, young people have embraced Rotary through 24 Rotaract clubs across the country. While many of them focus on the challenges facing Ukraine today, members of the Rotaract Club of Kyiv Multinational – one of four in the capital city – take time to honor their elders. For nearly three years, they’ve been visiting a nursing home in Peremoha, about 40 miles from Kyiv. The village’s elderly residents have lived through a tumultuous century: the brutal German invasion and retreat during World War II, years of Soviet occupation and the struggle for independence, and the transition to a market economy in the 1990s. “These are the people who did their best for future generations, for us, to live in a free country,” says club treasurer and past club president Taras Mytkalyk. “We wanted to fill their lives with a feeling of being needed.”



This Day in History

- On this day** in 1900 Gottlieb Daimler, the German engineer who invented an early version of the internal combustion engine and founded an auto company bearing his name, dies at the age of 65.
- On this day** in 1472, Michelangelo Buonarroti, the greatest of the Italian Renaissance artists, is born in the small village of Caprese.
- On this day** in 1902, the Madrid Foot Ball Club is founded by a group of fans in Madrid, Spain. Later known as Real Madrid, the club would become the most successful European football (soccer) franchise of the 20th century.

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 PHF 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 PHF 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

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