



### Speakers

**Sept. 5, 2019**

College Football, Gus Morris

**Sept. 12, 2019**

Randy Redner, Community Foundation of Northeast Georgia, courtesy of Kyle Redner

**Sept. 19, 2019**

Amanda Lindberg, GSRP student from Denmark

**Sept. 26, 2019**

David Cochran, Virtual Reality for Rotary, courtesy of Denton Ashway

### Birthdays

**Sept. 7**

John Martin

### Greeters for September

Bill McKnight

Steve Miller

### Upcoming Events

**Sept. 23:** Annual Golf Tournament

**Sept. 29:** Rotary Means Business, Northside-Forsyth, 6-7:30 p.m.

**Oct. 10:** Boat Cruise on the Amistad

**Oct. 12:** Mentor Me Rock-n-Bowl, 10 a.m. at Stars and Strikes

**Oct. 24:** World Polio Day

### Club Leaders



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## This week in history: 1836

# Sam Houston elected as president of Texas

On September 5, 1836, [Sam Houston](#) is elected as president of the Republic of [Texas](#), which earned its independence from [Mexico](#) in a successful military rebellion.

Born in [Virginia](#) in 1793, Houston moved with his family to rural [Tennessee](#) after his father's death; as a teenager, he ran away and lived for several years with the Cherokee tribe. Houston served in the [War of 1812](#) and was later appointed by the U.S. government to manage the removal of the Cherokee from Tennessee to a reservation in [Arkansas](#) Territory. He practiced law in Nashville and from 1823 to 1827 served as a U.S. congressman before being elected governor of Tennessee in 1827.

A brief, failed marriage led Houston to resign from office and live again with the Cherokee. Officially adopted by the tribe, he traveled to Washington to protest governmental treatment of Native Americans. In 1832, President [Andrew Jackson](#) sent him to Texas (then a Mexican province) to negotiate treaties with local Native Americans for protection of border traders. Houston arrived in Texas during a time of rising tensions between U.S. settlers and Mexican authorities, and soon emerged as a leader among the settlers. In 1835, Texans formed a provisional government, which issued a declaration of independence from Mexico the following year. At that time, Houston was appointed military commander of the Texas army.

Though the rebellion suffered a crushing blow at the Alamo in early 1836, Houston was soon able to turn his army's fortunes around. On April 21, he led some 800 Texans in a surprise defeat of 1,500 Mexican soldiers under General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna at the San Jacinto River. Santa Anna was captured and brought to Houston, where he was forced to sign an armistice that would grant Texas its freedom. After receiving medical treatment for his war wounds in [New Orleans](#), Houston returned to win election as president of the Republic of Texas on September 5. In victory, Houston declared that "Texas will again lift its head and stand among the nations. It ought to do so, for no country upon the globe can compare with it in natural advantages."

Houston served as the republic's president until 1838, then again from 1841 to 1844. Despite plans for retirement, Houston helped Texas win admission to the United States in 1845 and was elected as one of the state's first two senators. He served three terms in the Senate and ran successfully for Texas' governorship in 1859. As the [Civil War](#) loomed, Houston argued unsuccessfully against secession, and was deposed from office in March 1861 after refusing to swear allegiance to the Confederacy. He died of pneumonia in 1863.



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### The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do...  
Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/sam-houston-elected-as-president-of-texas>

# Hurricane Dorian Relief Update

## Monday, September 2, 2019

**(District Governor)** Greetings to all on a spectacular Labor Day in North Georgia. Unfortunately, not all of our friends, particularly those in the Caribbean, the Bahamas and even coastal communities of Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas are having the same sort of weekend.

The most pressing need right now is for cash to get relief moving into the Bahamas. The good news there is that not all of the Bahamian ports are damaged so they will be able to get supplies into the country quickly and then ferry them to the most affected areas.

For those of you whose clubs I have visited so far this year, you know that I believe that there is no better place than **The Rotary Foundation** to contribute your funds and have a better chance that they will go through the pipeline and come out on the other end exactly where you intended. That is absolutely true in this case. Your donations will be going through Rotary and managed by Rotary and Rotarians on the other end.

The most pressing need right now is in the Bahamas; however, this fund will be available to assist all communities in all of Zones 33 and 34 if they should need assistance as a result of this storm.

Here is a link to where you can donate directly through a special Rotary Relief Fund: [Hurricane Relief](#)

Please pray for our friends and families in harm's way and then prayerfully consider getting out your checkbook and becoming a Rotarian of Action.

Thanks in advance for your attention to this very urgent matter.

**Have a Blessed Day,**

Don

*Don Martin*

## Welcome Video from District Governor Don Martin

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Monday, July 1, 2019

[See video here!](#)

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## Past Presidents

1975 Tommy Bagwell	1986 Steve Jackson	1997 Bill Kehres	2008 Mike Palmer
1976 Terry Smith	1987 Tim LeBlanc	1998 Jeff Stephens	2009 Burton Blackmar
1977 Jackie Welch	1988 Denton Ashway	1999 John Weaver	2010 Shan Mize
1978 Larry Boling	1989 Bobby Thomas	2000 Jim Whitney	2011 Taylor Rice
1979 Zack Rice	1990 Jim Wheeler	2001 Jon McDaniel	2012 George Pirkle
1980 Roger Williams	1991 Rich Brown	2002 Keith Argo	2013 George Pirkle
1981 Tom Miller	1992 Tim Perry	2003 Rich Neville	2014 Mike Smith
1982 Gabe Dukas	1993 Bob McGuinn	2004 Melissa Durand	2015 Rusty Smith
1983 Eddie Stowe	1994 Robert Thuss	2005 Brandon Barron	2016 Donna Wade
1984 Dana Miles	1995 Brian Carpenter	2006 Chuck Welch	2017 Eric Duncan
1985 Mike Gravitt	1996 Charles Ammons	2007 Gabe Arango	2018 Ken Terry

## Paul Harris Fellows

## In 2016 our club became 100% Paul Harris Fellows!

1977	Tommy Bagwell	Penny McGuinn	Jim Whitney	Seth Thomas
1978	Jim French	Rafe Banks	Rex Abbott	Donna Wade
1986	Bob McGuinn	Rich Brown	2000 Nancy Abbott	Lucy Thuss
	Larry Boling	Malvelene Vaughan	Melissa Durand	Matt Richmond
	Bobby Thomas	1993 Stan Gault	Tim Perry	2006 Chuck Welch
1987	Gary Allen	1994 Mike Gravitt	2001 Mike Smith	2008 Dana Miles
	Bill Carter	Shannon Mize	Bill Levensalor	Eric Duncan
1988	Jack Manton	Charles Welch	George Pirkle	Mike Palmer
	Zack Rice	Brenda Thomas	2002 Burton Blackmar	John Heath
1991	Robert Thuss	Chantal Bagwell	2003 Lorne Twiner	2010 John Martin
	Vic Shirley	Shaun McGuinn	2004 Bruce Hearn	2014 Linda Duncan
	Lou Douglas	Brian Carpenter	Jack Godwin	D'Arcy Duncan Andrews
1992	Rafe Banks	Michael O'Bryan	2005 Jon McDaniel	Erin Duncan Topel
	Jack Heard	1996 Leslie McGuinn	Mike Montgomery	2015 Sam Siemon
	Jim Wheeler	1997 Denton Ashway	Joni Owens	Gabe Arango Murray Rice

## Will Watt Fellows

1986	Tommy Bagwell	1999 Rex Abbott	2007 Donna Wade	Lorne Twiner
1990	Dick Neville	2001 Jon McDaniel	2008 Eric Duncan	Bill Guilfoil
	Bobby Thomas	Rich Brown	2009 Dana Miles	
	Lou Douglas	Bill Kehres	2010 John Hall	
1995	Brian Carpenter	Mike Gravitt	2012 George Pirkle	
	Bob McGuinn	2002 Malvelene Vaughan	Dennis Gravitt	
1998	Jim Whitney	2003 Mike Montgomery	2013 Jim Wheeler	

*If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at [swoody@forsythnews.com](mailto:swoody@forsythnews.com) or mobile 678-878-0516.*