



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Club Meeting

South Jacksonville
Meets via Zoom-social time
begins at noon
Meeting Time- 12:30 PM

Events

July 7th
**Zoom Meeting-Pres Tom
Ranney**

July 14th
Zoom Meeting-TBA
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Birthdays



Renee Hanson
July 5th



Bob Massey
July 7th



Vic Zambetti
July 16th



PP **Dean Scott**
July 19th



Hon. **Lenny Curry**
July 19th



Amanda Watson
July 22nd

PP Bea **Fore**
July 27th



Our 2020-2021 Club President

Our first speaker of the year will be the South Jacksonville Rotary Club President Tom Ranney! He will fill us in on his plans for our Club over the next year.

Don't miss Tom's first meeting and his introduction of the goals for our Club!



RI President
Holger
Knaack's
theme for
2020-21,

Rotary Opens Opportunities, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.



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[Lynn Bauman](#)
July 30th



[Tyrie W. Boyer](#)
August 2nd



Club Anniversaries

[Downtown Deland](#)
July 1st

Ocala Brick City
July 31st

Years of Service



Skip [Booth](#)
07-07-1987
33 Years



[Rick Morales III](#)
07-31-1990
30 Years



PP [Dean Scott](#)
07-07-1998
22 Years

Wedding Anniversaries



[Warner Webb](#)
July 3rd



PP Bill [Jaycox](#)
July 4th



[Terrance Freeman](#)
July 6th



PP [David S. Bissell](#)
July 7th



PP Dick [Morales](#)
July 8th



PP Bill [Langley](#)
July 21st



[Mike Shewey](#)
July 29th



RI Pres Holger Knaack and our own Tom Ranney

2020-2021 Gavel Passing Ceremony

What an extraordinary Rotary Year 2019-2020 has been for South Jacksonville!

Keeping with our motto, **Service Above Self**, our Club has contributed more than **\$69,000** via cash donations, goods, and services. In addition, there have been **1,400+** volunteer hours of service! Thank you for your leadership, Pres Bea!



Outgoing President Bea passes the gavel to incoming President Tom!



And the "Shoes" are passed once again!

PP Ted Johnson, the originator of the shoe plaque, carries on the tradition!

Rotarians Feed the Hungry

Rotarians feed the hungry San Jose Elementary Principal Paula Findlay-Smith assists with a food distribution effort at her school May 2 that was sponsored by the Rotary of South Jacksonville. The Rotarians generously donated funds to provide 50 families with enough food for a week.



The members of the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville along with support from the Rotary Club of West Jacksonville and the congregation of the Memorial Lutheran Church in St. Augustine have raised over \$18,000 to buy food to support Jacksonville families in need due to COVID-19. The Winn-Dixie Gives Foundation donated an additional \$5,000 in shelf-stable food to help with the effort. ♦ In partnership with Winn-Dixie, the food will be distributed to six area food-banks, and we will be able to feed families of four for up to seven days. ♦ said Dan Robie, M.D., past president of the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville. ♦ This is what we do in Rotary, we come together to help our neighbors and our community just like we would for our own families. ♦ The Rotary Clubs distributed the food to several food banks in June including Spirit of Life Lutheran Church Food Pantry, St. Catherine Episcopal Church Food Pantry, Community Health Outreach, United Community Outreach Ministry (UCOM), Lutheran Social Services Hunger Relief and First Haitian American Christian Church Food Bank.



When Duval County School classrooms were quarantined in March, San Jose Elementary teacher Leah Teuschel realized students would no longer receive meals at school. The school turned to the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville, which has provided Teuschel with literacy mentors. South Jax Rotary Club President Bea Fore responded to Teuschel's call for food. Rotarians donated funds generously, then provided food and volunteers who worked alongside San Jose Elementary teachers to buy, sort, bag, and distribute food to about 50 families on March 21 and May 2. The teachers worked with school principal Paula Findlay-Smith to find the families with the greatest need. During the distributions, Teuschel thanked the Rotarians by telling them ♦ Your generosity is beyond words. I can't even think of how to thank you. You are the answer to my prayers. ♦ One Rotarian responded that ♦ the real heroes are the families who have to find ways to make ends meet during this crisis. Thank you, Leah, for making this happen for them. ♦

This Week in History

By Mike Shewey on Thursday, July 2, 2020

Building of Hoover Dam Begins

On July 7th, 1930, construction of the Hoover Dam begins. Over the next five years, a total of 21,000 men would work ceaselessly to produce what would be the largest dam of its time, as well as one of the largest manmade structures in the world.

Although the dam would take only five years to build, its construction was nearly 30 years in the making. Arthur Powell Davis, an engineer from the Bureau of Reclamation, originally had his vision for the Hoover Dam back in 1902, and his engineering report on the topic became the guiding document when plans were finally made to begin the dam in 1922.

Herbert Hoover, the 31st president of the United States and a committed conservationist, played a crucial role in making Davis's vision a reality. As secretary of commerce in 1921, Hoover devoted himself to the erection of a high dam in Boulder Canyon. The dam would provide essential flood control, which would prevent damage to downstream farming communities that suffered each year when snow

from the Rocky Mountains melted and joined the Colorado River. Further, the dam would allow the expansion of irrigated farming in the desert, and would provide a dependable supply of water for Los Angeles and other southern California community.

Even with Hoover's exuberant backing and a regional consensus around the need to build the dam, Congressional approval and individual state cooperation were slow in coming. For many years, water rights had been a source of contention among the western states that had claims on the Colorado River. To address this issue, Hoover negotiated the Colorado River Compact, which broke the river basin into two regions with the water divided between them. Hoover then had to introduce and re-introduce the bill to build the dam several times over the next few years before the House and Senate finally approved the bill in 1928.

In 1929, Hoover, now president, signed the Colorado River Compact into law, claiming it was the most extensive action ever taken by a group of states under the provisions of the Constitution permitting compacts between states.

Once preparations were made, the Hoover Dam's construction sprinted forward: The contractors finished their work two years ahead of schedule and millions of dollars under budget. Today, the Hoover Dam is the second highest dam in the country and the 18th highest in the world. It generates enough energy each year to serve over a million people, and stands, in Hoover Dam artist Oskar Hansen's words, as a monument to collective genius exerting itself in community efforts around a common need or ideal.

Club Leaders



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