# The Rotozark

Greeter: Danny Perches Rotary Club of Springfield #2387 Established June 1, 1919

Invocation, Pledge, & Four Way Test: Tom Carlson

# This Week at Rotary:

# The Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia, Matt Suarez

President Matt Suarez took a once in a lifetime trip to Melbourne, Australia to attend The Rotary International Convention in the Summer of 2023. He is excited to share with the club all the highlights from his trip.

### **Coming Attractions**

**Next Week**, **Jan. 23**—SRC Business Overview, Krisi Schell

**Jan. 30**—National Economic Conditions, Stephanie Hurt

#### **Upcoming Calendar Events:**

**Jan. 23**—Board Meeting at Kentwood Hall, 10:30am **Apr. 19-21**—Rotary District 6080 Conference at Margaritaville, Osage Beach

#### **Upcoming Rotary District Conference**

Rotary Districts 6040, 6060, and 6080 will celebrate together to hold a Rotary Funvention at Margaritaville, in Osage Beach, April 19-21. The fun will include Shoes for Orphan Souls Collections, Breakfast/Brunch, Dinner, Dinner Cruise, Margaritaville Perks, Family Fun Time, and Experiential Rock Start Keynote Speaker from Las Vegas, Marvelless Mark.

#### Polio News from the New York Times

The New York Times reported that only 12 cases of wild poliovirus have been reported worldwide in 2023, and 2024 may be the last year in which wild polio is transmitted. They gave a shout-out to Rotary International for its heroic work against this disease!!

# Want to suggest a program? Or propose a new member?

Program Committee Chair, Ben Jones, Ben.jones@cityutilities.net

Membership Chair, Trudy Smith, TruSmith@KVC.org

#### Check out some of the area clubs!

SPRINGFIELD NORTH
Tuesdays, 7AM, DoubleTree Hotel
SPRINGFIELD METRO
Tuesdays, 5 PM, 425 Event Center
SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST
Thursdays, Noon, Ocean Zen
SPRINGFIELD SUNRISE
Wednesdays, 7 AM, Twin Oaks Country Club
ROTARACT CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, Noon, 425 Event Center
OZARK
Wednesdays, Noon, Ozark Community Center
NIXA
Thursdays, Noon, Nixa Area Chamber of Commerce

### January Birthdays

1/1—Kathleen O'Dell

1/6—Annie Busch & Loa Freeman

1/9—Nick Nelson

1/11—Jeff Bentley

1/12—Tom Carlson

1/15—Dean Ertel

1/18—Maurizio Sabini

1/19—Darron Hemann

1/26—Tamara Conn

1/29—Shawn Wahl

## January Anniversaries

1 year—Melisa McGuire
2 years—Dee King
12 years—Tracy Kimberlin & John Mihalevich
16 years—Michael Overton
45 years—Michael Clarke



**Board Members:** President, Matt Suarez; President-Elect, Lisa Bakerink; Secretary, Melissa Briggs; Past-President, Gail Noggle; Treasurer, Steve Bach; Director, Michael Bishop-Jones; Director, Abby Glen; Director, Steve Shanholtzer; Director: Trudy Smith; Executive Secretary, Kimberly Pittman



