

# DISTRICT MINUTARIAN OF THE WEEK

From District Governor Joyce Gunter:

### Happy New Year!

Quick! If I asked you what was your top New Year's resolution, what comes to mind? Lose weight, think straight, be great, don't be late?

The ancient Babylonians are believed to be the first people to make New Year's resolutions, around 4,000 years ago. They were also the first to hold recorded celebrations in honor of the New Year. They made promises to the gods to pay their debts and return any objects they had borrowed. These promises were the predecessors of our modern day resolutions.

What would be the perfect New Year's resolution for a Rotarian? Email your thought to me at JoyceAnnGunter@gmail.com and I will donate \$25 to your favorite charity or project

for the top three resolutions. I will share them with you next week!



### **REMINDER**

Have you bought your tickets to this year's Rotary Benefit Concert Announcement Party this Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00pm at the newly opened Posto 9 in downtown Lakeland? Tickets are \$35.00, and appetizers will be provided with a cash bar. They have kindly agreed to shut down the restaurant during this time, so let's fill it up!

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### **Club Officers**

- President President-Elect President-Nominee
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### **Board Members**

Alyssia Totten	2014-2017
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Stephanie Colon	2014-2017
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Phil Mays	2015-2018
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Lee Earls	2016-2019
Matt Mucci	2016-2019
Donna Pearce	2016-2019

### **Club Meeting Information**

Weekly: Every Friday, at 12:00 noon

Place: The Lakeland Center,

701 Lime Street

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2602,

Lakeland, FL 33806

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

## Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup> (12:00pm) –

**George Lowe.** Mr. Lowe is true Renaissance man who is a voiceover actor on radio and television, as well as a renowned art collector.

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### Saturday, January 7th (TBD) -

**2017 Rotary Benefit Concert Announcement Party**. It is official, we have booked a concert! Please join your fellow Rotarians in listening to the Sofa Kings as they divulge who our artist(s) will be this year! Stay tuned for info on the location and time.

### Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup> (12:00pm) –

**Member Profiles.** Please join us this week for one of my favorite Club traditions, member profiles. Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn more about three (3) of your fellow Rotarians as they share a little bit about themselves.

### Friday, January 20th (12:00pm) -

**Emily Jade, Safari Wilderness Ranch.** Please join us for this "wild" speaker who will tell us a little bit more about the unique Safari Wilderness Ranch located right here in Lakeland, Florida!



There is an online Rotary club where you can complete make-ups from wherever you are. Check it out TODAY!

www.rotaryeclubone.org

## LET'S CELEBRATE!!

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Stephanie Colon Amanda Brice David Kaylor Jeffrey Sirmons Jim Robinson 1/04/13 1/07/11 1/07/11 1/08/16 1/10/99

Jim Steinbauer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 6<sup>th</sup>



It has officially been announced that we have booked a concert for this year's 2017 Rotary Benefit Concert.

<u>When is it?</u> This year's concert will be held on **Saturday**, **March 25, 2017**, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the arena located at The Lakeland Center. MARK YOUR CAENDARS NOW! It is going to be a great time.

<u>*What is next?*</u> Join us at the announcement part **on January** 7<sup>th</sup> from **2:00 – 4:00pm** at the newly opened **Posto 9**. Tickets will be \$35.00, and appetizers will be provided with a cash bar. Click <u>here</u> to purchase your tickets to the party!

*How can I help?* Sponsorships are a critical component of our success the past two (2) years. If you are planning to participate as a sponsor, please let Alyssia know so that we can budget accordingly.



Rotary "Fun" Facts by Dan Rich

**1917**: At the 1917 Rotary International convention, the President Arch C. Klumph proposed to set up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation.

**1929**: In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by a Rotarian, later grew into Easter Seals.

Rotary's service partnership with <u>The</u> <u>Global FoodBanking Network provides</u> opportunities to work together to create and support food banks around the world. Food banking is a proven solution to two critical global problems: (i) world hunger; and (ii) food waste.

Rotary Interact Clubs give students ages 12-18 the chance to make a real difference while having fun. Every Interact Club carries out two service projects a year:

- One that helps their school or community; and
- One that promotes international understanding.

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about Interact