



“Where you can catch  
that Southside Spirit!”

## Events

### John Benjamin Memorial Golf Tournament

Raising  
Scholarships for the  
dependants of First  
Responders in  
honor of one of the  
Club's most  
memorable and  
influential members

September 23,  
2019

## Club Leaders



Jordan Taylor  
President



David Cobb  
President - Elect



David  
Carpenter  
President -  
Nominee



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Club  
Membership  
Co-Chair



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Daas  
Club  
Membership  
Co-Chair



Steven L. Fields  
Sr.  
President -  
Designate  
Director-at-  
Large



Elizabeth Haller  
Secretary



Daniel C.  
Stinnett  
iPast President

## Our Motto:

*Having fun doing good in the community!*

## Our Mission:

*Southside is home to the rowdiest Rotarians in Tulsa. We impact communities locally and around the world, provide leadership within our district, and mentor the next generation of Rotarians.*

## This Weeks's Meeting

### Program: Todd Huston

Todd Huston knows how to overcome incredible challenges. When his legs got caught in the propeller of a boat at age 14, his life was radically changed. He battled to keep his legs with numerous surgeries, but bone disease eventually forced him to have one leg amputated.

Todd became a psychotherapist and clinical director of the Amputee Resource Center in California. He also worked in psychiatric hospitals for adults, adolescents and children. He used his professional skills and personal experiences to help patients achieve more in their lives. He also trained health-care professionals and authored articles in working with individuals coping with disabilities.

Then Todd did the unimaginable, to prove that you can overcome challenges he completed a world record-setting Summit America expedition by climbing to the highest elevations of all 50 states in only 66 days 22 hours and 47 minutes, shattering the original record by 35 days!

Several distinguished honors have been awarded to Todd including U.S. Jaycees ♦ Ten Outstanding Young Americans, the Henry Iba Award for Outstanding Citizen Athlete, the Class Act Award, The Power to Dream Achiever Award and the American Red Cross ♦s Everyday Hero Award.

Todd is the author of the book More Than Mountains: The Todd Huston Story, and has hosted inspirational radio and television programs.

He earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, concentration in finance, and his Masters in Counseling Psychology, graduated Magna Cum Laude, with a Certificate of Leadership. He has also served as a City Councilor for Tulsa, OK.



ROD: Laura Tapp



Brett J. Brough  
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Attendance



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Jon H Heaps  
Director-at-  
Large



Catherine  
Bryant  
Youth Services  
Director



Krystie Cupp  
TRF Chair



John Cody  
Worrell  
Assistant  
Governor

## Birthdays

## Years of Service



Ray E. Orf  
08-01-1978  
41 Years



Russell D.  
Robinson  
07-19-2007  
12 Years



Jordan Taylor  
07-29-2010  
9 Years



David Cobb  
07-14-2011  
8 Years



Tammy R  
Stokes  
07-24-2014  
5 Years



Laura Tapp  
07-08-2019  
0 Years



Mary  
Hawthorne  
07-08-2019  
0 Years

Laura was born and raised in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She graduated from Holland Hall in 2007, and the University of Tulsa with a BS in Biogeosciences (totally not Geology - still a rebel) in 2011. She was diagnosed with Crohn's disease 3 days after walking across the stage with her diploma and promptly spent the next 11 months trying to figure out what the heck that meant.

She was hired as a GeoTech at BRG Energy in 2012 and served as the Jack of All Trades (they still referred to her as 'the GeoTech' among other less flattering titles) there for over 6 years.

She just joined Rotary on July 11th this year and is absolutely loving it so far! No, she doesn't have children, and yes, the birthmark is real.

## EVENTS



## September 23, 2019

For our new members who did not have the extreme pleasure of meeting John Benjamin, you should know that he was a world changer and a longtime member of Tulsa Southside Rotary. John served as president, secretary, and club foundation chair. He earned two Bill Crews Community Service Awards, and multiple Paul Harris Fellow Awards.

John spearheaded the Langenheim Park Murrah Memorial Children's Playground and the Biscuit Acres Dog Park, the first dog park in South Tulsa. It was renamed Benjamin's Biscuit Acres in honor of John.

John was an avid golfer, and we honor his legacy by raising scholarship funds to educate the next generation through this Memorial Golf Tournament. ([From the John Benjamin Memorial Golf Tournament website \(click here to visit.\)](#))

[Check out this article from Tulsa Lifestyle magazine \(pages 28-29\) to see the impact that we have made locally. \(click here\)](#)

As a member of Southside, there are so many opportunities to help. If possible please join a committee. No matter your role, what you contribute makes an impact. Wasn't it just last week when we discussed ways to further grow our club? Making any form of contribution during the event and its set up could help with that! As Don den Daas has said, *"Potential members want to be associated with vibrant clubs. Good fund raisers also help clubs grow."* And an event like this cannot meet its goals without the contribution of everyone. Furthermore, it is a great way to get to know about your fellow members, their families, and what they do for a living. **We need everyone involved in the John Benjamin Memorial Golf Tournament.**

**More ways to help and get involved:** The auction committee has decreed we have sufficient items for the auction! Thank you to everyone who donated or brought an item to us! To those who still would like to help, what the committee needs now is money in order to buy smaller 'accouterments' (start off fancy, stay fancy) to go with the bigger items in order to create more attractive and appealing packages. The committee met for lunch on Tuesday of this past week and came up with some fantastic ideas. Help us bring them to fruition!

The highly profitable fund raisers make their money from this event. Either play in the tournament([Click here to be directly taken the JBMG website and register to play.](#)) or volunteer at the tournament.

If you have a potential major donor please let the committee know, so we can contact them.

**We have filled three teams of first responders!!! Thank you!** Our friends Steve Haas, Dolly Dixon, Mary Hawthorne, Bob Sullivan, Mercedes Abalos, Mehdi Khezri, Jon and Norene Heaps, and Kathy Bryant have graciously offered to sponsor Police Officers, allowing for three full teams!

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## The Fellowship Committee has setup the Social Calendar for the Year!

**October 31st 2019, Noon Meeting:** Costume Contest! Costumes will be mandatory, ladies and gentlemen! Ti Amo Staff will judge, and prizes will be awarded.

**November 2nd 2019, 6 PM:** Scotch and Cigars at Mercedes' home. Heavy appetizers will be served.

**November 21st 2019, Noon Meeting:** Bake Sale! Select a tin and load up on homemade goods!

**November 23rd 2019, 9A-2P:** Art Sale at the Center for Individuals with Physical Challenges

**December 13th 2019, 6 PM:** Christmas Light Trolley

**December 29th 2019, 4 PM:** Annual Holiday Party! Potluck Dinner.

**February 13th 2020, 6 PM:** Valentine's Dinner. Bring your significant other and enjoy a nice meal.

**April 25th 2020, 2 PM:** Winery Tours and Tastings

**May 21st 2020, 6 PM:** Scholarship Presentation

**June 27th 2020, 6 PM:** Change of Horses

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## ROTARY POLIO MISSION UPDATE

"My fellow Rotarians:

I'm pleased to share the important news that as of today, 21 August 2019, it has been three years since a child in Nigeria was paralyzed by the wild poliovirus. This means that the entire World Health Organization (WHO) African region could be certified as wild poliovirus-free as soon as mid-2020.

Along with our Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners and the Nigerian government, we've strengthened immunization and disease detection systems, and we are now reaching more children than ever in some of the hardest-to-reach places in Nigeria.

We can take pride in this progress, but it is not time to celebrate quite yet. We still have work to do and we must continue making it a priority to reach every child in Nigeria and other polio-threatened countries with the polio vaccine, and build strong levels of immunity to fully protect the entire population against polio.

In part because of the hard work and dedication of Rotarians in Nigeria and around the world, we will soon be able to check another country off of the polio-endemic list. Rotary members in Nigeria have been hard at work raising awareness for polio eradication, advocating with the government and addressing other basic health needs to complement polio eradication efforts, like providing clean water to vulnerable communities.

After the African region is certified wild poliovirus-free later next year, 5 out of the 6 WHO regions in the world will be considered polio-free. As the first organization to dream of and promise to deliver a polio-free world, Rotary is committed to fulfilling our promise. Our progress in Nigeria is a big step toward that goal, but we need to maintain momentum so that Pakistan and Afghanistan see the same level of progress.

It's crucial that Rotarians continue to support polio eradication as we overcome the final hurdles in the fight to end the disease forever. You can support PolioPlus by making a [donation](#), or raise awareness by holding an event or fundraiser on [World Polio Day](#) on 24 October.

I look forward to joining with Rotarians as soon as mid-2020 to celebrate a wild poliovirus-free Africa.

### Michael K. McGovern, International PolioPlus Chair

CC: RI Board of Directors, TRF Board of Trustees, International PolioPlus Committee, District Governors, Club Presidents, 2019-20 EPN Countdown to History Campaign Committee, Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force for the US, PolioPlus National Advocacy Advisors, National PolioPlus Committee Chairs, End Polio Now Zone Coordinators."

## Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases

Total cases	Year-to-date 2019		Year-to-date 2018		Total in 2018	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	71	55	21	65	33	104
—In Endemic Countries	71	15	21	14	33	34
—In Non-Endemic Countries	0	40	0	51	0	70

## Case breakdown by country

Countries	Year-to-date 2019		Year-to-date 2018		Total in 2018		Onset of paralysis of most recent case	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Afghanistan	13	0	16	0	21	0	16-Jul-2019	NA
Angola	0	6	0	0	0	0	NA	12-Jul-2019
China	0	1	0	0	0	0	NA	25-Apr-2019
Democratic Republic Of The Congo	0	23	0	16	0	20	NA	18-Jul-2019
Ethiopia	0	1	0	0	0	0	NA	20-May-2019
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	1	NA	27-Nov-2018
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	1	NA	21-Oct-2018
Myanmar	0	3	0	0	0	0	NA	14-Jun-2019
Niger	0	1	0	4	0	10	NA	3-Apr-2019
Nigeria	0	15	0	14	0	34	NA	20-Jun-2019
Pakistan	58	0	5	0	12	0	5-Aug-2019	NA
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	20	0	26	NA	18-Oct-2018
Somalia	0	3	0	11	0	12	NA	8-May-2019

### The pot this week is around \$112:

So do your future self a favor and buy tickets this week!

### Reach Out to the Members We Miss:

Call Jerry Ramey! [918-855-7188](tel:918-855-7188)

Call Ray Orf! [918-344-1685](tel:918-344-1685)

### Potential New Members

Any objection to the proposal stating the reasons must be sent to the President of the Club within seven (7) days following publication.

**Please turn in your proposals for membership to Secretary Elizabeth Haller.**

### Committee Listing with Chairs and Members:

Below is the list of Committees, Chair Persons and Members of the Committee.

There are several open slots where the clubs needs your help. Several members are working more than one committee and you can also! You can see if you are on the list. Please look over the list of positions and volunteer to help. Every member will be involved in both the Golf Tournament and in the Dictionary Project. Norene needs volunteers for fellowship; Scott Gaffen can use help with public Relations; Vocational Service and youth service needs sub-committee members. We know that every wants to help, and that time is an issue. Regardless we would like every member

to be a part of the team!

Committee Name	Chair / Sub Committees	Members
Board of Directors	Taylor, Jordan (Chair)	Cobb, David Carpenter, David Fields, Steven L. Sr. Heaps, Jon H Stinnett, Daniel C Haller, Elizabeth (Secretary) Brough, Brett J. (Treasurer)
President's Advisory Committee	Brough, Brett J.	Abalos, Mar <span style="color: red;">◆</span> a Mercedes Stinnett, Daniel C
Club Service Fields, Steven L. Sr.	Bulletin Editor DACdb  Fellowship Programs	Harris, Angel Brough, Brett J. Boyer, Kathryn Diane Haller, Elizabeth Heaps, Norene Robinson, Russell D. Gray, Stephen P. Huddleston, Brian Russell Richards Bishop, Julia Haller, Elizabeth Smith, Parker Ray
Community Service Heaps, Jon H	Rotary Club Central Sargent At Arms  Be Wise Imunize Dictionaries Salvation Army Bell Ringing	McNutt, Monte McNutt, Monte Nicklas, Janice
Fund Raising Cobb, David	Biscuit Acres John Benjamin Golf Tournament	Khezri, Mehdi  Boyer, Kathryn Diane Chapman, Anthony Todd
International Service Fields, Steve	Gorrell, Benjamin F. Jr.  Medical Supplies Network, Inc. Uganda Orphans Boyer, Larry A. den Daas, Donald R. Blue Badge Requirements Induction Recruitment Retention Training	Haley, John R. Triplett, Robert L. Jr. Fields, Steven L. Sr.
Membership David Carpenter	Stinnett, Daniel C	Gorrell, Benjamin F. Jr. Hughes, David P. Brough, Brett J. Boyer, Larry A. Fesperman, R. Lynn Khezri, Mehdi den Daas, Donald R. Carney, Vaden Jackson III Abalos, Mar <span style="color: red;">◆</span> a Mercedes McNutt, Monte Fitzgerald, Patrick Burmeister, Scott
Past Presidents	Gaffen, Scott J. CVA Advertising & Marketing Media Relations Social Media Strategy Web Site	
Public Relations David Carpenter	Stinnett, Daniel C	
RI Foundation		



David Carpenter	Every Rotarian Every Year Paul Harris Presentations Polio Plus / Foundation	
Southside Rotary Foundation	Robinson, Russell D.  Haas, Steve Carney, Vaden Jackson III Abalos, Mar <span style="color: blue;">◆</span> a Mercedes	
Vision Team Vocational Service Heaps, Jon H	Brough, Brett J.  4 Way Test Speech Contest Classifications Junior Achievement Off Site Meetings	
Youth Service Fields, Steven L. Sr.	Bryant, Catherine	Osborn, Kenneth E. Stokes, Tammy R Gray, Stephen P.
	Don't Meth With Me Interact Interact McLain HS Interact Union Roteract RYLA Scholarships	Gray, Stephen P. Gray, Stephen P. Pierce, Michelle Fitzgerald, Patrick Hughes, David P.
	Springdale Elementary	

*Upcoming RODs (PLEASE SEE "IF YOU ARE ROD..." BELOW THE LISTING):*

**If you are the ROD, you need to:**

**1) Send YOUR BIO and YOUR SPEAKER'S BIO WITH PHOTOS to Angel at [angelh6110@gmail.com](mailto:angelh6110@gmail.com) for the time being THE FRIDAY TWO WEEKS BEFORE you are ROD. If you do not have it turned in on the Monday of by 10am, John Haley has volunteered to write a bio for you, or you will not have a bio attached to your name.**

**2) Select someone to do the pledge and the prayer. Please let President Jordan know who you've chosen in advance of the meeting.**

Date	ROD	Program	Speaker
July 4	No Meeting	N/A	N/A
July 11	Bob Sullivan	Tulsa Mental Health Association	Michael Brose
July 18	Michelle Pierce	Tulsa Opera	Aaron Beck
July 25	Lynn Fesperman	The American Cancer Society	Jayne Meyer
Aug 1	Jon Heaps	BREAK OUT MEETING	Lori Long
Aug 8	David Cobb	Club Membership Building Round Table	David Cobb
Aug 15	Mehdi Khezri	Tulsa City Council	Karen Gilbert
Aug 22	Laura Tapp	Induced Seismicity in Oklahoma	Dr. Bryan Tapp
Aug 29	Monte McNutt	Growth in Broken Arrow	Larry Curtis
Sept 5	Laura Tapp	More than Mountains - Overcoming Challenges	Todd Huston
Sept 12	Russell Robinson		
Sept 19	David Carpenter		
Sept 26	John Worrell	District Governor Visit	Rolf Hufnagel
Oct 3	Steve Haas	The Ronald McDonald House	Charlene Fabian
Oct 10	Ben Gorrell		

Oct 17	Scott Gaffen		
Oct 24	Joe Wolfe		
Oct 31	Jack Wills		
Nov 7	Don Den Daas		
Nov 14	John Haley		
Nov 21	Mary Hawthorne		
Nov 28	Konneth Osborn		
Dec 5	Janice Niklas		
Dec 12	Larry Boyer		
Dec 19	Brett Brough		

Please check the list to see when you are ROD. Please work with Jonathan and Keely Gobbo to set up programs and ensure there are no conflicts.

## Club Meeting

### Tulsa Southside

Meets at TiAmo Restaurant

6024-A South Sheridan Rd.  
Tulsa, OK 74135

Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

