

Rotary



Rotary Club of Tullahoma November 18, 2022 What's A Cookin

Meal Service: 11:50

Program: 12:15

Club Leaders

Jack Thoma
President

Anthony Watts
President-Elect

Rachel Ferrell
Vice President

Brian Coate
Secretary

Linda Bean
Treasurer

Jody Baltz
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Club Administration Chair

Anthony Watts
Service Projects Chair

Jim Woodard
Club Membership Chair

Rachel Ferrell
Public Relations Chair

Upcoming Schedule

November 25 - No Meeting

December 2 - Colonel Randel J. Gordon

December 9 - tbd

December 16 - Jim Brown - NFIB

December 23 - No Meeting

December 30 - No Meeting

Proposed New Members

The following individual has been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Tullahoma. If there are any objections to these proposals, you may submit your concern to leadership.

1. Cameron Newton
2. Mike Rowland
3. Penn Moore

Stephen Crook - Executive Director Coffee County Industrial Board - Nov. 18



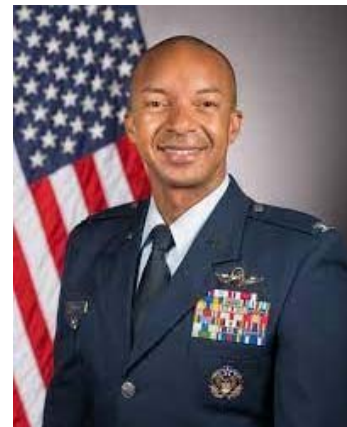
Cookeville's Chamber program, he was tasked with organizing and developing the Highlands Economic Partnership, where he also served as the vice president for economic development.

Stephen Crook, the Executive Director of the Industrial Board of Coffee County, will visit our Club on November 18th. Mr. Crook was hired in January 2022. Prior to taking this job, Crook served as the vice president of economic development for the Cookeville-Putnam County Chamber of Commerce. In addition to serving with

December 2 - Colonel Randel J. Gordon

Joining us on December 2nd is Colonel Randel "Laz" Gordon, commander of the Arnold Engineering Development Complex. Col. Gordon assumed in June 2022.

Col Gordon was born in Poughkeepsie, New York and received his commission in 1998 from the United States Air Force Academy. Prior to this assignment, he was the initial cadre director for the Secretary of the Air Force's Artificial Intelligence Accelerator with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He also served as initial cadre for the Secretary of the Air Force's AFWERX technology innovation team with private sector business and academia. Col Gordon is a Presidential Fellow, Harvard Business School Alumnus, Defense Advanced Projects Research Agency (DARPA) Fellow, MIT Fellow, and holds a doctorate from the US Air Force's School of Advanced Air and Space Studies.



He served the F-22 Combined Test Force as its commander and has additional flight test pilot experience in the F-15C/E, A-10A/C, F-16A/C, Bombardier BD-700 Global Express business jet, and 70 other military and civilian aircraft. His most recent assignment was as the 412th Test Wing Vice Commander.

EDUCATION

- 1998 Bachelor of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, Minor in Mathematics, Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2006 Master of Science, Aeronautical Engineering/Systems Engineering, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2010 Master of Philosophy/Strategy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2013 Doctorate of Philosophy, Strategy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2018 Harvard Business School Alumnus, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1998-August 1999, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas
2. October 1999-December 1999, Student, Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, Columbus AFB, Mass.
3. January 2000-June 2000, Student, F-15C Replacement Training Unit, 95th Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
4. July 2000-December 2003, F-15C Fighter Pilot/Flight Lead, 19th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
5. February 2004-June 2005, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

6. July 2005-July 2006, Student, Air Force Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, Calif.
7. September 2006-June 2010, F-15C/E Instructor, A-10A/C, BD-700 Experimental Test Pilot and Chief of Flight Safety, 40th Flight test Squadron and Air Armament Center, Eglin AFB, Fla.
8. June 2010-June 2011, Student, Air Force School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 2011-June 2014, DARPA Fellow, Future Capabilities, Joint Innovation & Experimentation, US Pacific Command (USPACOM), Camp Smith, Hawaii
10. July 2014-June 2017, F-22 Commander/Director of Operations, 411th Flight Test Squadron, Edwards AFB, Cali.
11. July 2017-August 2018, Fellow, Harvard Business School and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
12. June 2018-June 2019, Test and Evaluation Lead, AFWERX Initial Cadre, Cambridge, Mass.
13. June 2019-June 2020, Director, USAF/MIT Artificial Intelligence Accelerator Initial Cadre, Cambridge, Mass.
14. July 2020 - June 2022, Vice Commander, 412th Test Wing, Edwards AFB, Calif.
15. June 2022 - Present, Commander, Arnold Engineering Development Complex, Arnold AFB, Tenn.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

- Rating: Command pilot
- Hours Flown: More than 3,000
- Aircraft Flown: F-22A, F-15C/E, A-10A/A+/C, BD-700 (E-11 BACN), F-16A/C, and 70 others

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster
- Air Medal
- Aerial Achievement Medal with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters
- Joint Service Commendation Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster