



EYE OPENER

TALLAHASSEE SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB



March 31, 2023

Meeting Speaker – Brittney Jones

Tuesday you will get to know Brittney Jones and why she loves everything about events! The name of her company, Touched by a Rose Events, also known as TBAR, was inspired by the love she experienced from her grandmother Jewel Rosebud Jackson.

This love, combined with her passion for florals and event planning, led her to start TBAR in 2013 and has been blossoming ever since!

She loves volunteering in the community, and you can catch her on the football field at Leon High School and the University of Tennessee, basketball court or track cheering on her two boys - De'Shawn and Brenton!



She is a proud graduate of Florida A&M University and cheers on the Rattlers all the time! She is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, serves as Church Administrator of Destiny Church and a Board Member of the Omega Lamplighters Foundation.

It's Time to Build Some Beds!

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Inspiration

April 4:
Allen DeWolf

April 11:
Open

April 18:
Danny Shrine

April 25:
Open

Birthdays

Patricia D. Wellman
March 31

Gale A. Workman
April 5

Colleen M Castille
April 9

Dave Fiore
April 19

Randy Nicklaus
April 30



Our event is this Saturday at 9 am. We need everyone who signed up in the Signup Genius to attend and others who can join last minute to attend as well. The event will run 9 am to approximately 12 pm. Light refreshments will be provided. No tools needed.

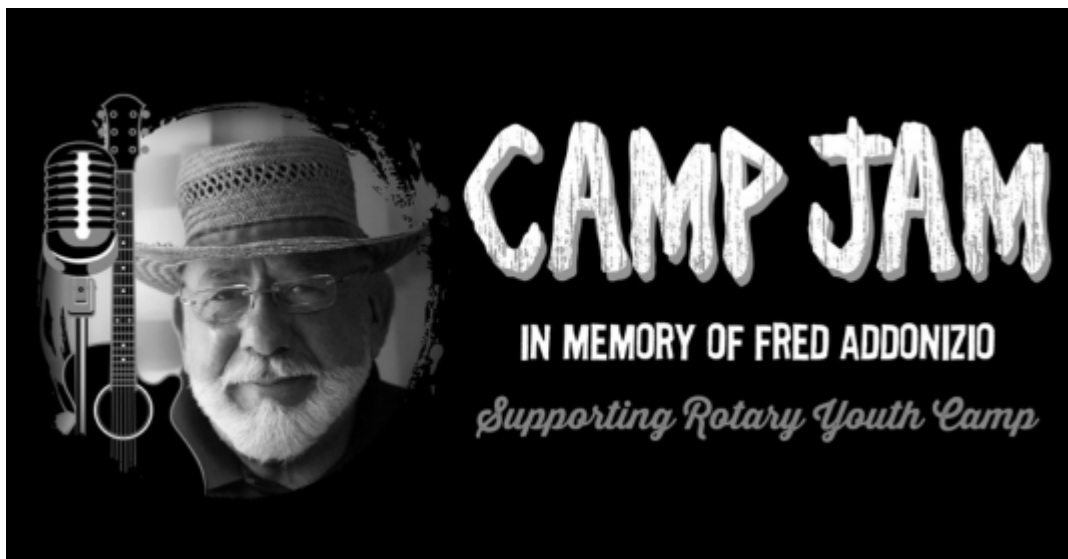
We still need a couple more driver/builder teams (2-3 people) for deliveries. Delivery and assembly take approximately 1 hour and occurs immediately following the construction phase of the event.

During our January event, that meant deliveries were occurring around 11 am. Sleep in Heavenly Peace will provide instructions for assembly of the beds in their forever homes. The deliveries are the best part of the event since you see the joy and appreciation of the recipient kids. Signup Genius link is below – please add your name if you will participate so we can track our contribution.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aaea82da6fb6-sunrise1#/>

Grab a last minute volunteer, neighbor, friend, or spouse and join us tomorrow to build some beds for kids in our community!

Be a Camp Jam Sponsor!



The 3rd Annual "Camp Jam" in memory of Rotarian Fred Addonizio will be held Saturday, April 8, from 1-4 p.m. at Dreamland BBQ (2415 N Monroe St #508, Tallahassee, FL 32303)

This year, a sponsorship is \$250, which includes your business logo on the commemorative t-shirt and numerous mentions at the event. Sponsorships need to be finalized by Monday, April 3rd at 3pm. Your money will not need to be collected by that time, but I'll need a written commitment as well as your company logo emailed to me (b.wellmansofl@gmail.com).

Time is of the essence to make this a huge event for the Rotary Youth Camp - they have a lot of needs this year and your support will make a big difference!

This year's entertainment lineup is Dennis Fiorini, Liquid Lincoln, and "Dangerous" Dave's Jam Band, as well as special performance from musicians from the Pyramid School's "Electric Players"!

Send me an email (b.wellmansofl@gmail.com) by Monday, April 3rd at 3pm to confirm your sponsorship and be a part of the 2023 Camp Jam!

Serve with Sunrise: Weekly Update

How can you Serve With Sunrise? Read below for dates and links to our Club projects.

Classroom Connection at Hartsfield Elementary:

Champion Colleen Castille seeks volunteers to meet Thursday, April 6, 1:45-2:45

p.m., with kindergarten students at Hartsfield. Volunteers will help kindergartners plant zinna seeds in a school flower bed. Then ... on Friday, May 5, 1:45-2:45 p.m., Sunrise volunteers will help kindergartners pot a flower in a cup to take home for Mother's Day. A volunteer must be certified in advance (once each school year) by Leon County Schools. It takes just a few minutes to complete the online form. <https://volunteers.leonschools.net/>



Camp Jam 2023: Champion Brett Wellman. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, April 8, 1-4 p.m. at Dreamland BBQ, to rock Camp Jam, our Sunrise fundraiser in memory of Fred Addonizio to support Rotary Youth Camp. Contact Brett to be a sponsor of this great event! b.wellmansofl@gmail.com

Bond Elementary Partnership: Champion Linda Nelson asks Rotarians to plan to shop the Teacher Appreciation Wishlist for small gifts/rewards to be delivered to Bond during Teacher Appreciation Week, which is in May. Sunrise Rotarians can select items from the Wishlist to donate to Bond teachers. Linda will publish the Wishlist soon.

Meals on Wheels (delivery Tuesday 10:15 am-noon Tuesdays in May and July): Champion Melanie Quinton asks you to sign up NOW at SignUp Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090949a5ab2fa1fd0-meals1>

Mentoring Initiative at the Rotary Scholarship House: Champion Betty Jensen thanks the Women of Sunrise for giving generously of their time to student residents at the Rotary Scholarship House. Our Club's Mentoring Initiative for this year will culminate in mid-April with Sunrise awarding two \$500 scholarships to residents with outstanding service to Rotary.

4th Annual Bowling FUNrai\$er (Sunday, June 11, 4-6 p.m., Capital Lanes)
Co-Champions Stuart Chandronnet and Scott McLuckie will – new this year -- seek sponsors to buy lanes and refreshments for kids in youth organizations to bowl at our event. Mark your calendar. A Registration Form is printed in this newsletter. You may pay by check or PayPal. Instructions are at the bottom of the [Registration Form](#).

Rotary Youth Camp (July 30, 6 p.m. CT) Champion Palmer Williams. Serve dinner and entertain campers and counselors on a Sunday afternoon at the Camp in DeFuniak Springs. Mark your calendar now and plan to spend the day filling your heart with joy.

Ramp Build (October 28, 2023): Champion Pam Doffek. Sunrise will partner with FL Cares Inc. to build a ramp to provide a local resident safety, mobility and freedom.

Florida Department of Corrections April Book Drive: Champion Stephanie Schwartz thanks everyone who donated media to our prison book drives this year. Sunrise donated nearly 250 books, CDs and DVDs to state prison libraries.

Boystown Birthday Buddies: Champion Dee Wellman thanks Rotarians who volunteered to be Birthday Buddies this year. A Birthday Buddy buys a card, a cake, basic decorations, and one or more gifts from the child's list. The cost, including everything, is about \$125. The Birthday Buddy communicates with the group home leaders and delivers the goodies to the party.

Rotary Scholarship House Pack the Pantry: Champion Dan Nelson thanks Rotarians for donating generously this year to Pack the Pantry. Sunrise will collect supplies again in the fall to Pack the Pantry for Back to School.

CART Update

Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust

Thank you, Sunrise, for funding US-based research seeking a cure for Alzheimer's and other dementia. When you toss your small change into the blue bucket on your table at each Sunrise meeting, you make a big difference.



A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America

CART started in 1996 with Rotarians voluntarily emptying their pockets and purses of change at weekly meetings. As of May 2022, CART had awarded \$11.2 million in 64 grants to recognized US research institutions.

100% of donated funds go to Alzheimer's Disease research. All administrative expenses of CART are paid from interest earned from invested contributions.

The CART Fund is governed by a Board of Trustees composed of representatives from the Rotary districts that support the program. It is a 501(C)3 organization, Federal ID #31-1466051. The Fund is chartered as a nonprofit organization under the laws of the state of South Carolina.

3/28/2023: \$8.00

Sunrise CART total **2022-2023: \$346.01**

Sign up for an Inspiration

Have something inspiring to share? Sign up for your day here:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44a9aa2fabfac52-inspirations2#/#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44a9aa2fabfac52-inspirations2#/)

Sponsor of the Month -- Gregg Patterson

Gregg is the CEO of IMS Business a 20+ year old company who provides Accounting, Controller and CFO services on a part-time and interim basis. These services are provided to businesses and non-profits with a local, regional, and international presence. His employees include bookkeepers, staff accountants' controllers and professionals with CPA and MBA designations. To learn more about IMS Business go to www.imsbusiness.net



Gregg is also the Executive Director of Choose Tallahassee. Choose Tallahassee is an Economic Development organization whose mission is to encourage people to relocate to Tallahassee. This is accomplished by communicating a positive window to the world for our quality of life in Tallahassee. This site includes relocation guides for Young Professionals, Working Professionals, Students and 55+ folks. Check out our website at www.choosetallahassee.com

He also a past President of Sunrise Rotary. He is a proud graduate of Leadership Tallahassee LT39.

Gregg is a guest columnist for the Tallahassee Democrat – USA Today Network. You may have followed him on their treks across Spain, Scotland, Portugal, and England.

In addition, he leads Move Tallahassee which organizes community walks in our parks and on our greenways.

Gregg has been married to his wife Morgan for 34 years and they are both very proud of their 4 children and 5 grandchildren. They both enjoy the outdoors and have hiked across several countries around the world.



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