



Please enjoy this edition of the Sunrise Rotary Club newsletter. Sunrise Rotary is an active club of about 70 members who take pride in our community. Through our service projects and fellowship, we are changing lives and making a positive difference. If you would like to subscribe a friend to our newsletter, please send their [email to Dorothy Zimmerman](#) and we will add their name.

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## Speakers

**April 18, 2024**

[Rick Hutton and Eric Neihaus](#)

GRU's Electric  
Integrated Resource  
Plan

**April 25, 2024**

[Don Matz](#)

CEO of Orange  
Insurance Exchange

**May 02, 2024**

[Tim Rogers](#)

Rotary-Funded  
Expansion of Grace  
Clinic & Pharmacy

## Events

May 18th

[Firefighter  
Appreciation  
Picnic](#)

June 12th

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Transition  
Meeting](#)

June 20th

[Transition Dinner](#)

## This Week: GRU's Electric Integrated Resource Plan

Rick Hutton and Eric Neihaus will explain GRU's Integrated Resource Plan. Rick is a professional engineer and Eric is a planning engineer, both at GRU.

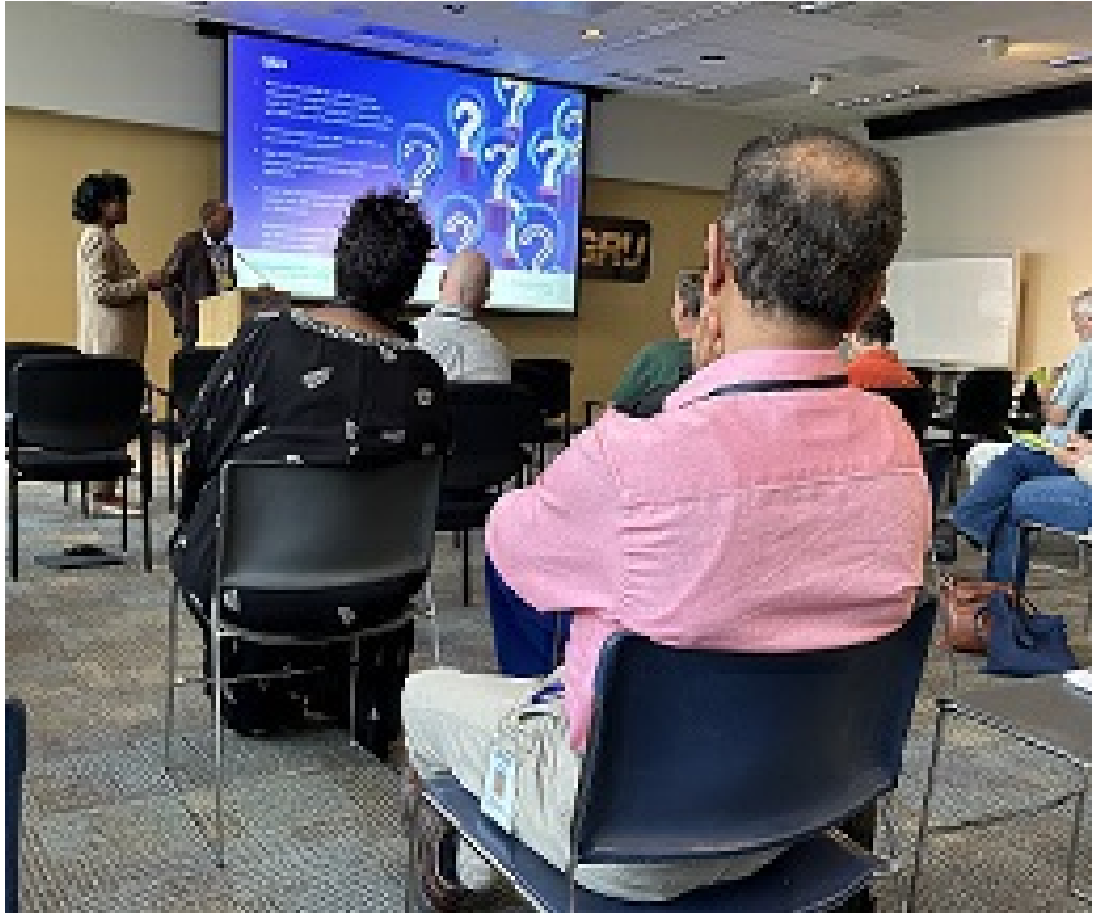


An Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) is an assessment of future electricity needs and a plan to meet those needs. It is "integrated" in that it looks at both demand-side resources

to meet those needs. It is de-integrated in that it looks at both demand side resources (conservation, energy efficiency, etc.) and the more traditional supply-side resources (generation/power plants, transmission lines, and more) in making its recommendations on how best to meet future electric energy needs.

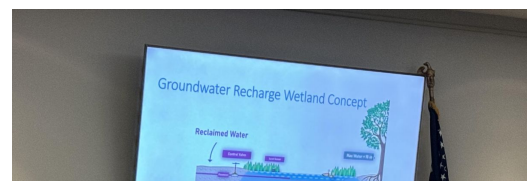
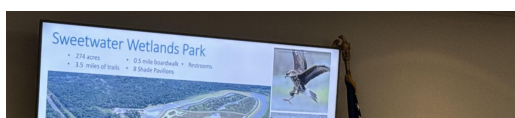
Integrated resource planning is important because it allows utilities to proactively identify and evaluate a range of potential resources that can be used to meet customer demand in a more cost-effective way.

GRU is seeking community input to help shape its Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). The IRP is the long-range blueprint for supplying reliable, affordable, and environmentally responsible energy at competitive rates.



## Last Week: Using and Reusing Our Water

Last week, Rick Hutton and Kristen Sealey of Gainesville Regional Utilities told us how we use water, then it becomes wastewater, and then we use the water again--but some time later after it is naturally filtered and reenters the Floridian Aquifer. They have projects such as Sweetwater Wetlands park and a new water recharge area on the west side of Gainesville to make this happen. They even did a reverse trivia question in an attempt to outdo the Trivia Master, as a way to let us know that there are about 2,000 miles of piping in GRU's water use and distribution system.





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## Remembering Len Furlow's Contributions

By Pamela A. Gretter

At Len Furlow's memorial service, Dorothy and I met Lyuba and William Wharton. They had worked with Len in Kyiv, Ukraine. I shared the recent newsletter with information about Len, and Lyuba shared a few photos and information with me. Here is their response.

?Thank you, Pamela! I sent your club's article about Dr. Furlow to Dr. Natalia Tetruieva in Ukraine. She was grateful for it. She had learned a lot from Dr. Brent Seagle about Dr. Furlow's cleft palate surgery technique. Then, world-famous Dr. Furlow himself came to Kyiv and performed several surgeries together with Natalia. She was immeasurably thankful for his teaching. During the surgeries, he shared every detail of his procedure. From then on, Natalia certainly had a perfect example to follow. We were proud to learn that a year ago Natalia was chosen as one of the best female surgeons in the world. Unfortunately, now Natalia, in addition to treating children born with cleft lip and palate, operates on those wounded in the face during the war. We are supporting Natalia's hospital and many Ukrainian people who were wounded, lost family members and lost homes during this terrible war with Russia. We also ship medical supplies and clothes. Have a blessed spring time, Pamela. Best wishes to all the Rotary club members.

William and Lyuba Wharton,  
Ukraine Ministry



## Dr. Natalia Tetruieva Named a Heroine of Health by Women in Global Health

*Smile Train nominated its partner, Dr. Tetruieva, for  
prestigious award*

Berlin, Germany (October 17, 2022) – Smile Train, the world's largest cleft-focused organization, congratulates its partner, Dr. Natalia Tetruieva, for being selected as a Heroine of Health by the advocacy organization Women in Global Health. Dr. Tetruieva of OHMATDIT, Ukraine's pediatric reference hospital will be recognized and honored



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## Transition Dinner: Mark Your Calendar

Out with the Old; In With the New! Mark your calendars for June 20, 2024, for the Sunrise Rotary Club Transition dinner. The location will be Embers Wood Grill. Details will be provided later.



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## Firefighter Appreciation Picnic

By Sherry Nungesser Houston



This year's Firefighter Appreciation Picnic is Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 11am at Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Central Florida located at 2121 SW 16th Street, Gainesville. We are thrilled to have the leadership of Dave Ferro. Volunteer opportunities to serve and celebrate are to come.

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## They Partied 'Til the Sun Went Down

About 20 Sunrise Rotarians gathered at Ford's Garage last Tuesday to chat and eat and just have fun. We enjoyed onion rings, wings, sweet 'tater tots, shrimp with a wicked sauce and some folks even had dinner on top of all that. Oh, and of course wine and club soda and a few other liquids. Don't worry about the number of full wine glasses in front of a few members; drinks were \$2 cheaper before six o'clock, so a few extras were ordered ahead of the cut-off time. Enjoy a few photos of the partiers. The five in the last photo approached darkness TOTALITY, just like the eclipse. They were the last ones to leave; turn out the lights, the party's over!



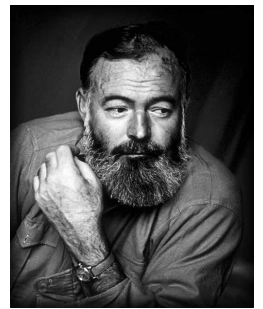




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## Quote of the Week

Ernest Hemingway, "I drink to make other people more interesting."  
Source: freebooksummary.com



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## Rick and Teina Do Jonesboro

Last week, Rick and Teina did Bentonville, Arkansas. This week, they did Jonesboro, where they were trapped in the zone of TOTALITY! The photos below are proof. Rick took a photo of the street before the eclipse started (left photo) and then at totality (right photo). They listened as each of the photocells on lampposts and strings of lights popped, and they all came on. The photo of the sun was at totality (bottom photo) using Rick's iphone.





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## Mitzi, Wayne, Becky and Jim Do Miami (My-am-uh)

“I made enough money to buy Miami, but I pi\$\$ed it away so fast,” Jimmy Buffet sings in *A Pirate Looks at Forty*. Well, we haven’t made enough money to buy Miami, but we did leave some coins there real fast. But we thoroughly enjoyed celebrating Mitzi’s 39th birthday. We rode the Brightline train from Orlando to Miami and back. We enjoyed a food and culture tour of Little Havana, the Wynwood Art District, the Design District and eating at such locations as Il Gabbiano and Monty’s Raw Bar. Some Sunrisers requested photos, so check out Jim’s Facebook timeline for the full treatment.









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Meets at Hilton University of Florida Conference Center Gainesville  
1714 SW 34th Street  
Gainesville, FL 32607  
Time: Thursday at 07:00 AM



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