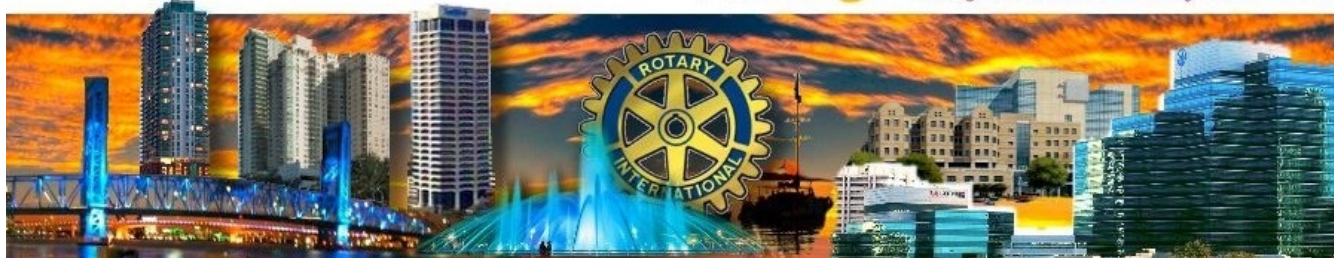




South Jacksonville
Rotary



Putting Service Above Self since 1955



CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

Club Meeting

South Jacksonville
Meets at Doubletree
Hotel
1201 Riverplace Blvd
Jacksonville, FL
32207
Time: Tuesday at
12:30 PM

Events

April 23rd
[Dr. Charles
Moreland](#)
April 30th
[Networking &
Industry Updates](#)
May 7th
[Patric Young](#)
May 14th
[David McGowan](#)

Birthdays

[Jan
Stringer](#)
April 25th

[Crystal
Broughan](#)
April 28th

[Katie K.
Rudderman](#)
May 2nd

[PE
Lisamarie
Winslow](#)
May 4th

Years of Service

[William H.
Harrell](#)
03-31-1981
44 Years

[PP Bea Fore](#)
03-08-2011
14 Years



This Week's Topic: Dr. Charles E. Moreland, Jacksonville Fire and Rescue



Dr. Charles E. Moreland

Battalion Chief – Administration

Dr. Charles E. Moreland is a native of Jacksonville, Florida and a 33-year veteran of the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD). In 1990 at age 18, he joined the department and has held every civil service position within JFRD from Firefighter to Battalion Chief.

Charles' leadership ability and strong work ethic led to his notable appointment by Mayor John Peyton as Division Chief of Rescue in 2003; a first for any minority. In 2010, the Jacksonville native went on to achieve another appointment as the Director/Fire Chief.

At the age of 39, he became the youngest person to command the department since the city's 1968 consolidation. Charles is the second minority to hold the position of Director/Fire Chief in JFRD history and the first minority to hold the position of Battalion Chief in the rescue division.

Charles holds several professional certifications with an extensive scholastic background; he has a bachelor's in business administration from Edward Waters College, a bachelor's in emergency management from Barry University, a master's in public administration and a Doctor of Education, both from Nova Southeastern University. Charles is a proud 2008 alumni of Leadership Jacksonville.

Charles was appointed by Mayor Curry in 2015 to serve as the Director of Community and International Affairs. In 2020, Mayor Curry tapped Moreland to lead the City of Jacksonville's COVID-19 response efforts in testing and vaccinations, working with Federal, State and Local stakeholders.

In 2022, Mayor Curry appointed Moreland to be Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Jacksonville.

In November of 2024, Moreland transitioned from City Hall back to JFRD to his position as Battalion Chief.


Dr. Charles E. Moreland

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Derby is Here! Derby Event of the Year, April 27th



 **PP Odette Struys**
03-26-2019
6 Years

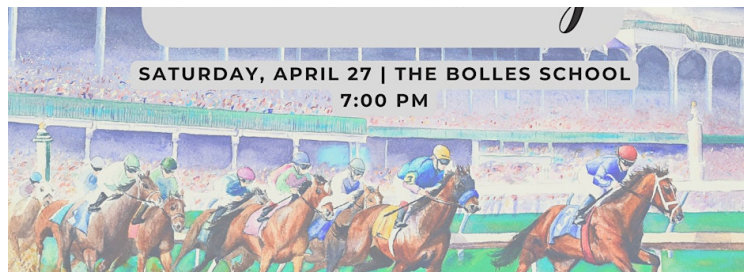
Wedding Anniversaries

 **Jennifer Suharmadji**
May
April 25th

 **PP Odette Struys**
April 27th

 **Ron Patrick**
May 9th

 **Laure Whitmer**
May 18th



As the Gala Committee Chair, I am so excited to share our club plans with you for the upcoming annual Derby fundraising event. If you were at the lunch meeting yesterday, you got to see a brief snippet of the newest opportunity to buy tickets and sponsorships online using Eventbrite. This is only for anyone interested outside our club. The link to the event is below. Please share it with your friends and family. The committee's goal is to increase outside participation this year by 20 additional non-rotary guests. Based on last year's event and what we have in store for you and our guests, I think we will do this easily.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/south-jax-derby-tickets-856369503237>

Your Derby event will provide you and your invited guests with:

- Fellowship
- Derby themed cocktails, specialty bourbon and open bar
- Buffett style menu
- Hat contest
- Chance betting and gaming
- Riverfront access to a beautiful sunset on the St. John's River
- Music & Dancing
- Wine and Bourbon Pull
- Sponsorship opportunities for you and your business/organization (see below)
- Other fun events

Funds will benefit Rotary Club of South Jacksonville Charities. This year, in honor of our current Club President, Leslie Redd, we are honoring Jacksonville University's President, Tim Cost. A special presentation will be held to honor him at our event.

Note, as a member, you will be billed for your 2 required tickets. Do not purchase tickets through Eventbrite link provided. The link is to provide to friends and family interested in attending. Please share this far and wide!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/south-jax-derby-tickets-856369503237>

Please feel free to reach out to me directly with any questions regarding the gala.

If you are interested in sponsorship!

Sponsorship opportunities

Club members will be offered sponsorship opportunities first. Once they are sold out, they are gone. They are:

- *Winner's Circle Sponsorship, \$250*
- *Table Sponsor, Early Bird, \$800 (\$1200 after April 15th)*
- *Triple Crown, \$1,000*
- *Winner's Circle Sponsorship*
 - \$250.00
 - Sponsor one of 8 signature events.
 - Sponsor gets:
 - Recognition Name at the table/event and on marketing materials
 - Includes 2 submissions to a Local Charity to be a Rotary Club South Jacksonville Gala Grant Beneficiary
 - One gala ticket
 - Each sponsorship is valued @ \$500 marketing spend.
 - Choose from:
 - Game of Chance Sponsor (6, choice of game table: Roulette, poker, black jack, craps, money wheel, baccarat)
 - Bourbon-Pull Sponsor
 - Wine-Pull Sponsor
- *Table Sponsor, Early Bird*
 - \$800.00, (\$1200 after April 15th)
 - Gala tickets for 8 (a \$1600 dollar value)
 - Recognition Name at the table at the event
 - Includes 8 charity submissions to Local Charity to be a Rotary Club South Jacksonville Gala Grant Beneficiary
 - Recognition at event and on marketing materials
- *Triple Crown Sponsor*
 - \$1,000.00
 - Includes (4) tickets to derby event
 - Recognition at derby event

- Charity ticket submission (4)

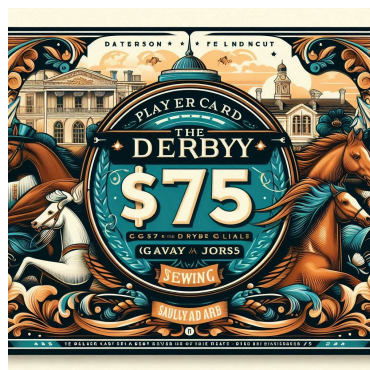
If you are interested in a sponsorship, please contact Jennifer May, Jennifer.may@haskell.com which sponsorship you would like to sponsor, and:

Organization Name
Logo
Point of Contact Name
Contact Phone Number
Contact Email

In Rotary,

Lisamarie Winslow
Gala Chair and President-Elect

Derby Gala 2024: Purchase your Player Cards Now!



Purchase your Player Cards for the 2024 Derby Gala Today!

One player card purchase equals 500 chips or 5 table plays.

Early Bird Pricing of only \$75!*

* \$100 the day of event

* Club members purchase directly from Patti with no markup. Others can purchase tickets and Cash Cards at:
[EventBrite](#)

Rotary Club of South Jacksonville Charities Gala Grant Beneficiary





In addition to Jacksonville University's Nelly Fund being the South Jax Derby main beneficiary of \$10,000, five additional \$1000 grants will be awarded. As members, you have input on which organizations will receive funds.

How it works:

Nominate a non-profit charity with a \$25 donation, prior to the gala or at the event, or if you are a sponsor. If you are a table sponsor, you receive eight nominations! The nominations will be on display at the event.

At the event on April 27th, South Jax Derby Gala Grant Recipients will be announced during closing remarks at the end of the night. They will be selected by:

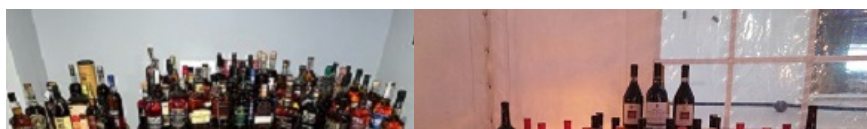
1. Selected by the most nominations
1. Selected by President's Choice
1. Selected at random drawing (each charity is entered into the drawing as many times they are nominated)
1. Selected by roulette (each charity is assigned a number) Charity is selected by Spin of the Wheel at Closing Remarks
1. Selected by member / guest Derby attendees by vote

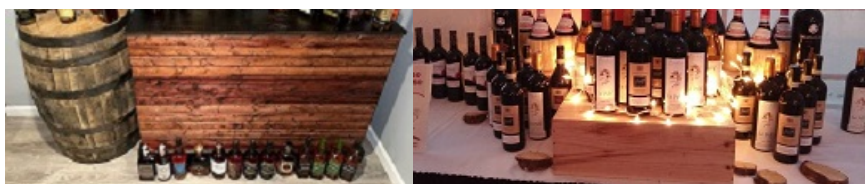
Questions: reach out to Jen May Jennifer.may@haskell.com or 386-852-9095

Uncorking Generosity: Make a Difference with a Bottle!



The Rotary Club of South Jacksonville is thrilled to invite you to contribute to our annual **Wine & Bourbon Pull** at the **Derby Gala** the evening of April 27. This year, your contribution could make a world of difference, as all proceeds go towards Jacksonville University's Nellie Student Support Fund and other local charities. Even a bottle of the hard to find bourbon from "E.H Taylors" has already been donated by a very generous member.





This fine wine and bourbon will be used for our signature "Wine/Bourbon Pull" event. This fun-filled activity allows guests to purchase a ticket and blindly choose a bottle, creating a thrilling element of surprise and discovery.

Here's why your contribution matters:

- **Direct impact:** Every bottle donated translates directly into supporting Jacksonville University's Nellie Student Support Fund and other local charities.
- **Variety is key:** A diverse selection of wines and bourbons enhances the excitement and attracts more participants.
- **Showcase your passion:** Share your love for fine beverages and inspire others with your generosity.
- **Be a part of the community:** Join your fellow Rotarians and supporters in making a positive difference.

What we're asking you to do:

- Donate an *unopened* standard 750ml bottle of wine (worth \$20 or more) **OR** of bourbon (worth \$30 or more).
- Drop off your donation at our weekly lunches.
- **Attend the April 27th Derby Gala to try your own luck at the Wine and Bourbon Pull!**

2024 District Assembly and Conference! May 3-4



Patrick Eakes
Rotary International Director Elect
 2024-26
 PDG District 7690
 RC Crescent (Greensboro), NC
Conference Keynote Speaker
(Breakfast)
"The Value of Your Rotary Membership"



Kenneth Schuppert
RI President's Rep
Past Rotary Foundation Trustee
Past Vice Pres. Rotary International
Past Rotary International Director
 PDG District 6860
 RC Decatur, AL
Conference Keynote Speaker
(Lunch)
"Create Hope in The World"

Register Now for the 2024 District Assembly and Conference!

Please join us for the 2024 District Training Assembly and Conference May 3-4.

The venue is the Herbert University Center on the campus of the University of North Florida 12000 Alumni Drive, Bldg 43 Jacksonville, FL 32224.

For a full schedule of events, please go to the [Conference Page](#) on the District website.

For hotel reservations, follow the directions in DacDB. [Conference Hotel Room Block](#)

Group Code RDC. Guests may also call hotel 904-204-0205 option 3 to book using group code RDC (Rotary District 6970 Conference)

Scotch Whiskey Tasting

Do you drink Scotch Whiskey? Maybe you have a glass, but would like to give it another try. Do you know what

Do you drink Scotch whiskey? Maybe you have - once, but would like to give it another try. Do you know what peat is, where it comes from, and why anyone would use it to make something that you drink? Do you know the difference between Islay and Speyside? Do you know how to pronounce Bunnahabhain?

Please join PDG George Robertson Burnett on Friday, May 3 at 5pm as he takes us on an educational, entertaining, and tasty adventure through the wonderful world of the national drink of his homeland.

The event will take place at the opening cocktail reception for the District Conference at UNF.

You can register on DacDB as part of the conference registration. The fee is \$60 and all proceeds will go to Polio Plus.

Registration



Yohani Kayinamura
RC Daytona Beach West

**Conference Keynote
Speaker (Morning)**

**"Orphan Aid, A Story
of Love, Faith, and
Service"**



Barbara Spengler
PDG District 5130
(Northern California)
RC Lakewood Ranch, FL

**Conference Keynote
Speaker (Afternoon)**

"The Power of Rotary"



**George Robertson
Burnett**
PDG District 6890
RC Bartow, FL

**Conference Keynote
Speaker (Dinner)**

**"It's Rotary... You Can't
Be Serious!"**

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