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Club Meeting

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

Events

May 7th
[Patric Young](#)
May 14th
[David McGowan](#)
May 21st
[Isiah Oliver](#)
May 28th
[Memorial Day-no lunch meeting](#)

Birthdays



[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



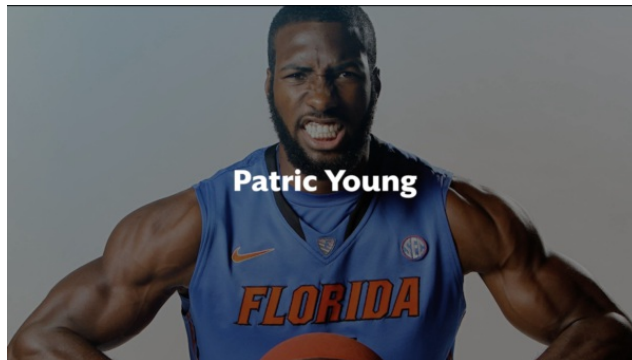
[PP Odette Struys](#)
03-26-2019
6 Years

Wedding Anniversaries



[Ron Patrick](#)

This Week: Patric Young, A Gator Legend Takes on the Broadcast Booth



Patric Young was a standout player for the University of Florida Gators, leaving a lasting mark on the program. A defensive stalwart with a commanding presence in the paint, Young earned numerous accolades throughout his four-year career. He secured a place among the Gators' all-time greats, racking up impressive scoring and rebounding numbers. Following his graduation, Young embarked on a professional basketball journey that saw him compete in leagues across the globe.

However, in 2021, Patric Young hung up his sneakers and transitioned to a new court – the broadcasting booth. Leveraging his experience and knowledge of the game, he joined ESPN as a studio host for the SEC Network's college basketball coverage. Young's insightful commentary and engaging personality bring fresh perspectives to the network's broadcasts.

You Tube: <https://youtu.be/1PvRxUId578>



May 9th

Volunteers needed for Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) June 21-24



[Laure Whitmer](#)
May 18th



[PP Charles G Cofer](#)
June 1st

Volunteers are needed for this year's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), which will be held on June 21, 22, and 23 at Stetson University. As you may know, RYLA is a premier leadership conference designed to foster youth development and is a key initiative under the Rotary International banner. This year, we anticipate welcoming 100-125 high school students who have completed their freshman or sophomore years.

These students, selected by Rotary Clubs within District 6970 covering northeast Florida, will participate in a series of leadership workshops, activities, and lectures at no cost, thanks to the support of our clubs. As Rotarians, we have the privilege of shaping these young leaders by sharing our experiences and skills.

We are seeking volunteers for various roles throughout the weekend, from overseeing activities to facilitating sessions. Whether you can spare a few hours or can commit to the entire weekend, your involvement would be invaluable. For those able to stay for the full event, accommodation will be provided at Stetson University.

Volunteering at RYLA not only supports our youth but also strengthens our Rotary community. It's an excellent opportunity to engage with fellow Rotarians and make a positive impact on the lives of young people. Please consider donating your time to this worthy cause.

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit this link :

<https://www.rotarydistrict6970.org/ryla/volunteers/> or reply to this email with any questions. We are grateful for any time you can offer.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to help nurture the next generation of leaders. Together, we can make a significant impact.

Yours in Rotary Service,

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Gala Beneficiaries 2024



Congratulations to these local non-profit organizations for receiving a South Jax Derby Grant!

[FreshMinistries](#) â€“ [Aquaponics](#) - \$2,000

[Sanctuary on 8th](#) - \$1,000

[UCOM](#) â€“ [United Community Outreach Ministries](#) - \$1,000

[Volunteers in Medicine](#) - \$1,000

We will be planning check distribution events to these organizations! Stay tuned for more details...

Derby Gala Exceeds Goals: A Huge Thank You!



What a tremendous night! On behalf of the entire South Jacksonville Rotary Club, I want to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who made the Derby Gala on April 27th, 2024, such a resounding success.

We are incredibly thankful to the dedicated event committee. Their tireless efforts in planning, organizing, and executing every detail of the gala were truly invaluable. Their hard work and commitment are a large part of the reason we were able to not only achieve, but exceed all of our goals for the evening.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to each and every participant who joined us for the festivities. Your enthusiasm, generosity, and willingness to celebrate alongside the South Jacksonville Rotary Club created an unforgettable atmosphere. A special thanks goes to Bacardi for their significant sponsorship and participation. Their support played a vital role in making the event a true success. Together, we raised significant funds that will allow us to continue our vital work in the community. Thank you once again to everyone involved!

Save the Date- 2025 South Jax Derby

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Rotary Club Of South Jacksonville



The South Jacksonville Rotary Club **Derby Experience** is an exciting evening of fun, fellowship, food, beer, wine, cocktails and gambling for everyone.

The Saturday night experience on the river at the Bolles School will be a night with friends and family and will feature an evening of heavy hors d'oeuvres, Bourbon mystery pulls, games of chance, and a Derby hat contest!

Proceeds from ticket sales and generous donations will benefit the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville Charities. This will be a night that you'll never forget!

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