



This Week's Topic: Michael Leach, Bee Friends Farm



Michael Leach found a passion for bees in 2009 when he started building beehives for other beekeepers, and he was hooked. Four years later, he decided he wanted to share that passion with others and started **Bee Friends Farm**.

A jack of all trades, Michael brings his carpentry and organizational skills to work every day. A big believer in community engagement, Michael is heavily involved with the Jacksonville Beekeeping Association, where he leads a hands-on mentoring program for new beekeepers. Currently, he manages the bees for the Ritz Carlton Amelia Island, where he provides honey bee presentations and honey sampling for group events. The health of his bees comes first, and Michael is always looking for ways to strengthen the health of the hives he manages.

While beekeeping isn't always easy, it is always rewarding and he wouldn't trade it for any one of his previous professions!




Club Meeting

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


Events

- September 19th
[Bee Friends Farm](#)
- September 23rd
[South Jacksonville Family Friendly Social](#)
- September 26th
[Al Kalter](#)
- October 3rd
[Evening Social-no lunch meeting](#)
- October 10th
[Please Welcome Dist Gov John Tabor](#)

Birthdays

-  [John R. Pope](#)
September 23rd
-  [Lisa Kennedy](#)
September 29th
-  [Edward M. Booth Jr.](#)
October 8th

Years of Service

-  [PP Allan P. Clark](#)
09-30-1980
43 Years
- [PP Robert M. Harris](#)

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End of Summer Splash!

A Family-Friendly Rotary Social

Saturday, September 23 10am-2pm



Bartram Springs Amenity Center

14530 Cherry Lake Dr. E, Jacksonville, FL 32258

RSVP to dacDB

There's a pool, kiddie pool, & splash pad and we will grill lunch.
We have a gazebo reserved for us. Feel free to bring a side or snack to share!

*Bring a your family and a snack, and join us as we say **farewell to summer!***

Enjoy time by the pool, soak up the sun, and relax with fellow club members

When: Saturday, September 23



09-19-2000
23 Years

10:00am - 2:00pm

**Where: Bartram Springs Amenity Center
14530 Cherry Lake Dr. E.
Jacksonville, FL 32258**



[Greg Anderson](#)
09-13-2011
12 Years



[Michelle Kalil](#)
09-15-2015
8 Years

Please RSVP through DACdb

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[P Leslie Miller Redd](#)
09-22-2015
8 Years

Save the Date - October 3 Social



[Tamara Baker](#)
09-17-2019
4 Years



Wedding Anniversaries



[Bernie Lucking](#)
September 15th



[Lisa Kennedy](#)
September 15th



[Tamara Baker](#)
October 2nd



[Mark Borello](#)
October 7th

*Join us to catch up with fellow club members and their guests
while enjoying delicious food and average offerings at
Riverside Liquors Restaurant & Bar!*

**When: Tuesday, October 3, 2023
5:30-7:30pm**

**Where: Riverside Liquors
1251 King St
Jacksonville, FL 32204**



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October Service Project: Buddy Walk

Join us! ———

October 14, 2023
Jacksonville Beach
Seawalk Pavillion
12 pm Event Starts



Benefitting ———



When: October 14, 2023
Event begins at **12:00pm**

Where: Jacksonville Beach SeaWalk Pavilion
75 1st St N
Jacksonville, FL 32250

The South Jacksonville Rotary Club will be participating in the 21st Annual Buddy Walk, hosted by the [Down Syndrome Association of Jacksonville](#). Please join us for a day of good times, great food, local bands, carnival games and attractions, and much more!

As always, the day will be centered on celebrating individuals with Down syndrome as well as their families and friends. The walk is one mile down beautiful Jacksonville Beach and back. \$25 to sign up as a team member, which includes a t-shirt and event activities! *(Customized t-shirts not available after September 14th).*

[Click Here to Join Our Team: LIAM UNITED](#)

...or email Steve Jones (Stevan.Jones@RaymondJames.com) or Patti to sign you up and add the registration fees to your quarterly dues. Of course, family and friends are welcome to join us!

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