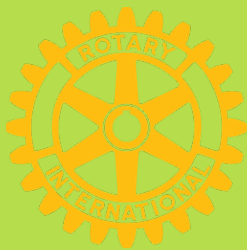


Rotary



Club of West Jacksonville

Please join us on Zoom or in person at Timuquana Country Club

Time: Wednesday at 12:30 PM

Events

May 1st

Kathryn McAvoy

May 8th

TBA

May 15th

Chris Fischer

May 22nd

No Lunch Meeting - Social

WestWord May 1, 2024

In-Person **Virtual**

[Please click here to join Zoom meeting](#)

or join by phone: +1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 912 7133 7343

Passcode: 467106

Kathryn McAvoy
The Performers Academy



Kathryn McAvoy began her career in marketing and management at IBM. After 14 years with Big Blue she launched her first business, Acme Barricades and has been a serial entrepreneur ever since. Her extensive entrepreneurial ventures include partnerships ranging from high tech firms to television production, including being the General Partner of two Arena Football Teams, the Jacksonville Tomcats and Birmingham Steeldogs. She launched a local TV Channel, TV Jax, an onsite video website, MeeMee.tv. and produced several feature films.

Kathryn holds a BS in Communications Studies from Northwestern University and an MBA from Jacksonville University. She has served on many non-profit Boards, including the Jacksonville Zoo, Jacksonville Film Events, Books by Kids and the DePaul School. She conducted annual training classes for the United Way of Northeast Florida for more than 15 years, training all the speakers for Charitable Giving Campaigns.

15 years ago, Kathryn founded the nonprofit organization, The Performers Academy (TPA), to provide arts for all, particularly the underserved teens who otherwise wouldn't have access to the arts. The organization has served 100's of teens who reside in licensed or kinship care, are incarcerated, on probation, or attend a court-ordered drug rehabilitation program. UNF's policy of Social Change has documented the positive impact the program has on at-risk youth.

In addition to the special camps TPA does for teens in foster care, TPA also offers a free afterschool art for healing program for middle and high school students, including visual arts, theater, singing, songwriting, music production, podcasting and fashion design. They also have an intense work-readiness program to help inspire and engage the disengaged youth, ages 16 to 23.

Interact Year-End Celebration

What: **Inspiration, Motivation and Collaboration!**

When: Sunday, May 5, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Where: River City Science Academy, High School Gym

[7565 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32216](#)

Patric Young is a professional speaker, ESPN host, radio host, and history-making Gator! He was the SEC's first three-time winner of the SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year honor (2012, 2013, 2014). Having a speaker of this caliber for our students is an honor!

GiGi Carroll (our Club's personal motivator!) is the District Interact Chair and she is hosting this event for Interact students and Rotarians from around the District. Registration is closed, but there are still seats available and if you would like to attend, please e-mail Patti. Students are also welcome-- they don't have to be Interact members. If you know a student who may benefit from this incredible gifted speaker and the special motivation offered by Patric Young, please invite them to attend.

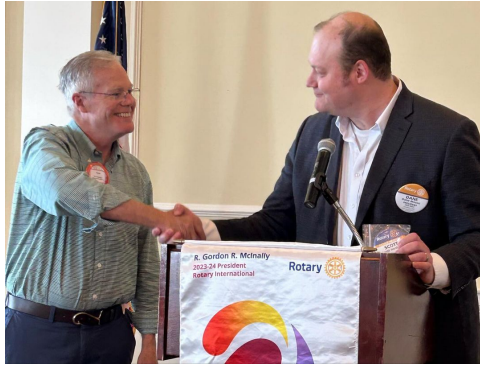
There is a \$10 fee per person, and each attendee will receive a copy of Patric's book.

Photos





Pres Dane presents our club's newest member, Lee Sasser (L). Welcome, Lee!

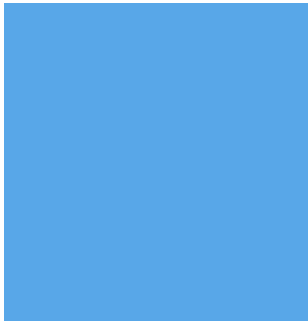


Scott Hanigan (L) receives his permanent badge from Pres Dane.

The "Escape to Margaritaville" fundraiser at Alhambra was a huge success!







2023-2024 Duty Roster (2nd half) -- view [online](#) or [download](#)







Previous event:
Escape to Margaritaville Fundraiser

Next event: Wednesday, May 8th
TBA

Birthdays

 Marshall M. Butler May 5th	 Cecil F. Gibson, III May 6th	 John M. Henderlite III May 7th	 Andrew P. Williams May 7th
 Tim D. Alters May 8th	 Michael C. Crumpler May 8th	 Carter Rosenbloom May 16th	 Douglas J. Milne May 17th
 Cedrick Gibson May 18th	 Terry Vereen May 20th	 Alfred Aviles May 20th	 Timothy H. Johnson May 26th
 Meredith N. Smith May 29th			

Club Leaders

 Dane Jensen President	 Timothy H. Johnson President-Elect	 Carter Rosenbloom Secretary	 Rahul Sharma Treasurer
 William L. Milne Sergeant-at-Arms	 Shawn Corrigan Asmuth iPast President		