

THE ROTARY CLUB OF TALLAHASSEE

Rotodome

September 07, 2022

Join us for Rotary this Wednesday at 12:15 pm (doors open at 11:30 am) in the Alumni Center Ballroom. We are now LIVE STREAMING meetings on Facebook: [click here](#) to go to our page and watch it LIVE at 12:15 pm.

PROGRAM: Alice Sims - One Child, One Mentor



Florida Department of Juvenile Justice’s (DJJ), Assistant Secretary for Prevention Services, Alice Sims, is a 25-year veteran in state, city, and county government. She began her public safety career with DJJ, Formerly Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. She has served as a probation officer, director of volunteers, contract manager, contract administrator and director of health and medical services.

Sims has extensive experience and expertise in designing and implementing juvenile justice delinquency prevention and early intervention services such as I.M.P.A.C.T., S.O.A.R FIT Families, Fire Academy for firefighters to serve as mentors, Youth and Law Enforcement G.A.A.P. Discussions, TIMEOUT! Mentor Program for probation youth, Agency Intervention Mentoring (AIM) Program where DJJ employees’ mentor at risk youth and DJJ’s One Mentor One Child Initiative launched in 2022.Co-founder of Capital City Christian Cruisers (CCCC) Track Ministry, Chair of underserved youths and the 2023 President-Elect for the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency (FCCD).

Sims has received numerous awards including TCC Outstanding Women of Today Award, Kids Incorporate Champions for Children Award, Florida Commission on the Status of Women and Girls Outstanding Achievement Award, FSU’s Champion Beyond the Game Hall of Fame, Governor Rick Scott’s Champion of Service Award, Girl Scouts Women of Distinction Award, FCCD Distinguished Service Award, Florida Track and Field Hall of Fame, Sanford Seminole High School Hall of Fame, Tallahassee Democrat’s 25 Women You Need to Know and in 2022 the Tallahassee Community College Public Safety Hall of Fame.

Sims and husband of 39 years, Ernie, have four children and four grandchildren. She was a Two-Time National Champion and 7-Time All-American in track and field at Florida State University.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- 9/14/22 - Aquaculture in the Big Bend - John Harley
- 9/21/22 - No Wed. meeting. Centennial Celebration on 9/22/22
- 9/28/22 - Big Bend Homeless - Holly Bernardo
- 10/5/22 - The Strange Universe/Ants - Walter Tschinkel
- 10/12/22 - Governor’s Program - Dan Sulgar
- 10/19/22 - The State of FAMU - Pres. Larry Robinson
- 10/26/11 - Duke Energy Battery Power - Danny Collins



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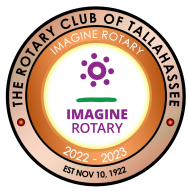
Dr. Terrence Town (2018, \$250,000 CART grant) has coaxed immune cells into the brain from the circulation, where they attack the damaging plaque that is a defining feature of Alzheimer's disease.

INSPIRATION: By Jonathan Brantley



Heavenly Father, we thank you for this day of fellowship. Bless those that are here today and for those who could not be here as we do Your will to serve as Rotarians. You have shown us grace and mercy even when we may feel less deserving, and we thank You! We ask that you protect our law enforcement, governing officials, and our military as their fight gives us the ability to be “free” in America. May you bless the food and the hands that prepared it for the nourishment of our body. AMEN





NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Rotary Club of Tallahassee Centennial Celebration Dinner

Get your tickets now for **THE ROTARY CLUB OF TALLAHASSEE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.**

It will be an evening of fun, friendship, and rich history of The Rotary Club of Tallahassee.

Come and celebrate all that we've accomplished and discover interesting stories from 1922-2022.

DETAILS

Thursday, September 22, 2022, 5:30pm - 9pm

Alumni Center Ballroom

Cost: Free for The Rotary Club of Tallahassee Member + 1 Guest. Each additional guest is \$50. Don't delay! Space is limited!

For **tickets** contact John Harris:

850-251-0044, john.harris@gray-robinson.com

Sponsorships are available, contact George Avant

850-566-7135, GAvantjr@gmail.com

THEME ANNOUNCED!! "The Roarin' 20's"

Our club, est. 1922 will take you all the way back to the Roarin' 20's as we celebrate our club through the decades!

Roarin' 20's
dress optional



History Nugget

A century of growth transformed Leon County. Out of about 20 thousand people in 1920 two-thirds were Black, but by 1980 only one-fourth of its 150 thousand people were Black even though the Black population itself had tripled. By 2020 this share rose again to about 30 percent Black out of 300 thousand people.



MAJOR SERVICE PROJECTS THROUGH THE YEARS

Wilton Duncan, 1987 – 88 led a unique year in Rotary because it heralded the beginning of the polio-plus campaign. The total goal of Rotary was to raise \$120 million while the amount assigned to the Tallahassee Rotary club was \$65,000, more than any other project ever attempted by the club. The club normally had one major local project a year but not of that magnitude. While allowed a 3 to 5 year period to pay the \$65,000 it was decided by Wilton to meet the challenge in one year and not burden future presidents. As a result, they had a Wild Beast Feast which they borrowed from the Gainesville Rotary club. Two of the other three local Rotary clubs joined with Tallahassee Rotary to put on one of the best fundraisers ever held here. Each member was assigned four tickets and the proceeds were divided among the clubs based on the percentage of overall sales.



The Tallahassee citizens turned out to feast on bear, deer, duck, dove, quail, gator, goat, raccoon, domestic pork, beef, and even fresh roadkill. As a result, the Club met the challenge and goal in one year. The event was so successful the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce held another wild beast feast before the club could consider doing so for a second year. Because of an extraordinary increase in local crime, the club commissioned club member Stephen O'Connell who was a former Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court to prepare a resolution supporting the Leon County Sheriff and Tallahassee police chief. It requested local elected officials to increase jail facilities, to adequately staff local law enforcement agencies enabling them to guard the lives and property of citizens, and requested judges to explore and adapt ways to expedite criminal trials. The resolution passed unanimously and copies were sent to the local legislative delegation and others. This timely action played a significant part of the construction of the new Leon County jail.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BACKPACKING - Sat., Sept. 17th, 8am-12pm at Second Harvest

Sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C4FAEAC2DAAFC1-second>

READING PALS - Every Tues. and Thurs., 3:30-4:30 at Riley Elementary

Sign up: Contact Rhonda Cooper Of United Way at 850-487-8091.

SAVE THE DATE: Big Bend Habitat Women of Rotary Build Day, October 8th from 8 AM - 2 PM