



# The Rotary Club of Hampton Roads Informer

## February 23, 2018

*February—Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month*

### Rotarian of the Week: Jack Hilgers

Jack Hilgers is a native of Carmel California and has a Ph.D. in Public Administration. He has been a Rotary Club President, an Assistant District Governor, and a District 7600 committee chair and committee member for ten years. He is a Paul Harris Fellow +5, a Rotary Benefactor, and had 13 years of perfect attendance before taking the "Rule of 85."

Jack enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired as a Colonel. Jack served two tours in Vietnam and on one occasion received the Navy Cross; the United States second highest decoration for valor. He was an infantry officer who worked in 15 foreign countries. He has been commended by the Chiefs of Defense of Norway, Denmark, and Germany, plus the Commandants of the British Royal Marines, Netherlands Royal Marines, and the United States Marines.

Since retiring from the Corps in Hampton Roads, he developed the Maritime Institute at Old Dominion University, worked with the Virginia Legislature, was the Executive Director of the Virginia Veterans Services Foundation, and has been active in many civic and veterans organizations. He retired again this year and was commended by a Joint Resolution of the Virginia General Assembly for a lifetime of public service and an unwavering commitment to the troops of the armed forces, veterans and their families, and Virginia. He is married to another Marine, Sharon, and they have a Marine son, John.

### Happy Birthday

Larry Ritter: Feb 10      Trish Heyl: Feb 13  
Don Hirtz: Feb 23

### Rotary Anniversaries:

Phil Jones: 4 years  
Dan Giel & Jim Parke: 5 years  
Judy Thaler: 22 years



### Program

RCHR 38th Anniversary:  
Program by 5 Senior Active Members

### Rotarians of the Week

Jack Hilgers

### Future Rotarians of the Week

March 2: Neal Kaplan  
March 9: Mary Greer Landon

**THE BIG 40S HANGER PARTY** will include live music, great food and big fun. Party starts at 6:00 pm, with fun food, dancing, vintage clothing contest, games, raffle & cash bar!. It will be a reserve auction to win a cash prize! All proceeds will benefit EDMARC, St. Mary's Home, Lee's Friends, Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast, Virginia Veteran and Family Support, and Rotary Club of Hampton Roads Core Charities.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Feb 23: Rotary's 113th Anniversary
- ◆ Feb 23: BOD meeting 8:30 am, Holiday Inn
- ◆ March 12-18: World Rotaract Week
- ◆ March 24: District 7600 Grants Seminar
- ◆ **Sat., Mar 24: Big Event, Aviation Museum**
- ◆ Mar 31: Preregistration discount ends for RI Convention

**Kempsville Interactors** PLAYED Bingo last week with the Seniors at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Senior Living Home



### Quote of the Week:

"When you dance, your purpose is not to get to a certain place on the floor. It's to enjoy each step along the way" - Wayne Dyer

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**Rotary Sunshine:** Contact John Moore (sailin1@verizon.net) or Trish Heyl (trisha2295@aol.com)

**Board Meetings:** 4th Tuesday, 4:30pm, St. Mary's

**Mystery Rotarian:** A gator from the south who likes to boat around.

**The Four Way Test:** Is it the truth?  
Is it fair to all concerned?  
Will it build goodwill and better friendships?  
Will it be beneficial to all concerned?