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Tomorrow is the Hampton Rotary Club's 96th Birthday! Pictured above is the "lost cover" of the club's very first bulletin (before the Gridiron). The cover was a handsome high resolution photo of the contestants from the 1st Miss America Pageant in 1921.



Can you pick out the winner?  
 answer on back

- 09/01: Hampton Rotary Club turns 96!
- 09/07: Speaker: Hayley Walczel, The Ctr for Sexual Assault Survivors
- 09/21: Speaker: Pete Kovalcik, YMCA Board President
- 09/28: Speaker: Ted Henifin, General Manager, HRSD
- 10/05: Speaker: Kelsey Hahn, PR & Marketing Manager Va. Air & Space Ctr
- 10/12: Speaker: Ray Walsh, President and CEO of Metro Productions
- 10/26: Speaker: Russ Tinsley, The Oozlefinch Craft Brewery

Join us Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. At the Paradise Ocean Club at Fort Monroe, Hampton, Virginia

**Tonight's Distinguished Speaker:**



**Mr. Bobby Freeman,**  
**E-Commerce Center of Hampton**



Bobby Freeman, a certified public accountant and licensed attorney, currently serves as President of Tower Park Corporation, a real estate development company, and as Chief Executive Officer of Tower Park Management Corporation, a commercial and multi-family residential property management company, both in Newport News, Virginia. His development company specializes in the planning and implementation of mixed-use developments, office parks, shopping centers and residential projects. His company developed Port Warwick, a \$500 million dollar "smart growth" mixed-use community in Newport News, Virginia, for which Freeman received numerous awards, including Virginia's Citizen Planner of the Year award. The management company manages approximately one million square feet of commercial real estate and is one of the largest property management companies headquartered on the Virginia Peninsula.

Mr. Freeman obtained his undergraduate and master's degrees in accounting at Virginia Tech, obtained his certification as a public accountant in 1980 and worked for several years with Coopers and Lybrand, CPA's. He attended law school at Campbell University in North Carolina, and upon graduation in 1981 was employed by Jones, Blechman, Woltz and Kelly, the largest law firm on the Virginia Peninsula. Bobby was with the firm for 19 years and became the firm's managing partner for the last 5 years of his association with the firm. After leaving the law firm, he established Tower Park Corporation and Tower Park Management Corporation. Mr. Freeman currently sits on the board of Advex Corporation, a manufacturing company in Hampton, Virginia, and is the chairman of the Board of Virginia Health Services, Inc., a regional retirement services company headquartered in Newport News, Virginia. He served on the Board of Visitors of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia, and Christopher Newport University, a public university in Newport News, where he served as rector for 5 years. Bobby is also past chairman of the Board of Directors of the Virginia International Terminals, a regional organization that operates the Ports of Virginia. He also served as a member of the board of the Industrial Development Authority of Newport News and as a member of the Board of Harbor Bank, a publicly traded community bank in Newport News which later merged with Towne Bank. Mr. Freeman was awarded an honorary doctorate by CNU in 2003, and was presented the Gracey Award for Extraordinary Service by the Peninsula Rotary Club in 2005. In 2006, he received an Alli Award for contributions to the cultural life of Hampton Roads. In 2007, Freeman was named the Virginia Peninsula's Citizen of the Year by the Daily Press. He received the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities Humanitarian Award in 2016.

**District 7600 is having a party!**



Dear Hampton Rotary,

Over 220 Rotarians have registered for the Norfolk Conference. The excitement is building. The rooms at the Marriott are almost gone. As a result, we have booked additional rooms at the Norfolk Hilton. The Hilton is the newest hotel in Norfolk and is within 200 yards of the Marriott. The weekend is filled with many opportunities to expand your knowledge of Rotary, to enhance leadership skills and to have fun. Some of you have already registered. Other District Rotarians keep placing registration on your to do list. Now is the time to get it done. The group rate at the Marriott will expire on August 31, 2017. The Hilton group rate will expire on September 9, 2017. The number of rooms available at the group rate are disappearing fast. Remember, **the weekend will include:**

- A moonlight cruise
- A seventies theme party with appearances by Elvis and James Bynum Brown
- Tours of the Norfolk Naval Base
- A Wine Tasting Seminar
- Hospitality Suites featuring local craft beer
- A batch of uniquely brewed beer that will be tapped for the Conference. The beer has been christened the Spirit of 7600
- Access to RibOktoberfest



(<https://www.facebook.com/Festevents/videos/10155550096254840>)  
 Sessions on leadership skills, social media, how to apply for grants, how to tell your Rotary story, improvisation techniques, Rotary Foundation updates, membership strategies, and much much more!

**So do not procrastinate any further....register.** Remember, there are limits on the wine tasting, naval base tours and the moonlight cruise. Register early so you do not miss out on a desired activity. *John Padgett*



Happy Birthday to  
 Jesse B. Wilkins 08/29  
 & Marqueta Tyson 09/06 !!!



**Modern Problems:** \*If only snooze-minutes were like microwave-minutes. \*Why can't self-driving cars be perfected during my prime drinking years? \*I'm just a bit too fat for my age and I'm just a bit too young not to care. Yea, I found THAT sweet spot. \*I have found balance in my life. My iPhone steps and calorie counter are almost identical. \*I think I could feel more engaged with other people if I could Binge-watch them, like they were on Netflix. Just seeing people for a few hours each week is so 80's. I forget so many details about them and loose interest.



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Service above Self!

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**  
 Membership Development, Orientation, Classifications, and Retention.

- CHAIRPERSON:**  
 1) Jimmy Eason\*  
 2) Gregory C. Bane\*  
 3) Fred Turner\* Director  
 4) Ruth Simmons\*\*\*  
 5) Gene M. Jordan II\*  
 6) Robert J. Feild, DDS\*  
 7) Gregory F. Lawson\*  
 8) William T. Brown\*  
 9) Jeffrey C. Templeman, Director & sergeants-at-arms  
 10) Theresa J. Lee  
 11) Garrick Blount  
 12) Lawrence C. Hyman, MD

**SERVICE PROJECTS COMMITTEE:**  
 Local projects, Scholarships, Joint Club Projects/Activities, Youth Rotary, etc.

- CHAIRPERSON:** Wallace C. Arnold\*  
 1) Jimmy L. Phillips, Jr., President  
 2) Timothy B. Smith\*  
 3) Jesse B. Wilkins, Jr\*  
 4) Romeo Lumaban, President Elect/VP  
 5) Forrest Ward\*  
 6) Billy W. Byrd\*  
 7) Kevin Owens\*  
 8) George E. Wallace, Jr\*  
 9) William C. Andrews III\*  
 10) William Davenport, DDS\*  
 11) William K. Beach

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:**  
 Newspaper, Facebook, Website, District Interface, etc.

- CHAIRPERSON:** Marqueta Tyson  
 1) Trudy O'Reilly  
 2) Brian W. McMahon\*  
 3) Jim Gervais, Webmaster  
 4) Jack Pope\*  
 5) William S. Harper\*  
 6) Wilford Taylor, Jr.\*  
 7) Harold Walls  
 8) F. Lewis Wood\*\*\*  
 9) Edward Teach  
 10) Trina Coleman, Ph.D. Secretary

**Members Excused from Attendance:**  
 Paul R. Bickford, Jr.\*  
 J.W. Whiting Chisman, Jr\*\*\*  
 Lee D. Parker\*  
 Thomas T. Thompson\*  
**Honorary Members:**  
 S. Wallace Stieffen\*

**ROTARY FOUNDATION COMMITTEE:**  
 Annual giving, Grants, Polio Plus, Group Study Exchange, etc.

- CHAIRPERSON:** Robert C. Kleinhample  
 1) Robert R. Harper, Jr\*\*\*  
 2) John Cabot Isham\*  
 3) S. Frear Hawkins, II\*  
 4) Russell S. Evans, Jr.\*  
 5) James L. Phillips, MD\*\*\*  
 6) Robert Hayden Smith\*  
 7) William H. Benson, Jr.\*  
 8) Charles R. Amory, Jr\*  
 9) I. Earl Lawson, Jr\*  
 10) I. Neill McInnis, Jr.\*\*\*

**2017-18 Organization**

\*Paul Harris Fellow  
 \*\*\*Multiple Paul Harris Fellow

**Board of Directors:**

- President - James L. Phillips, Jr.
- President Elect/VP - Romeo G. Lumaban
- Treasurer - Richard R. Flannery\*
- Secretary - Trina L. Coleman, Ph.D.
- Past President - Richard W. Harman, Jr.
- Director/Sargent at Arms - Jeffrey C. Templeman
- Director - William C. Andrews IV\*
- Director - Christina E. James
- Director - Frederick C. Turner, Jr.
- Assistant Governor: (AREA 12) Richard R. Flannery\*
- District Governor, John Padgett

**CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE:**  
 Gridiron, Attendance, Fellowship Activities, Program (Speakers), etc.

- CHAIRPERSON:**  
 Rick Harman, Past-President  
 1) A.G. Womble\*  
 2) Doug W. Wornom\*  
 3) David McInnis\*  
 4) Robert F. Stuford\*\*\*  
 5) Kevin Steele, DC\* Bulletin Editor  
 6) John T. Hart\*  
 7) Christina James, Director  
 8) James D. Ashley\*  
 9) Rodney B. Gentry\*  
 10) Robert Holmes  
 11) Jake Smith

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:**  
 Club Finances and Operations

- CHAIRPERSON:**  
 William C. Andrews IV\* Director  
 1) Rich Flannery\*, Treasurer\*  
 2) Michael Monteith\*  
 3) Jay Dunbar  
 4) John Smith\*  
 5) Joseph H. Spencer, II\*  
 6) Jesse T. Wallace, Jr.\*  
 7) Robert Dreeclin, DDS\*  
 8) Ronald A. Quinn

**THE FOUR WAY TEST:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Is it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to ALL CONCERNED?



Margaret Gorman is best known for being the first Miss America, from the year 1921. She was 16 years old, and from Washington D.C.