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Anastasia Pass -  
Toastmasters
- 3/15 Club mtg. - Sandra Craine  
on Ann Frank
- 3/22 Club Mtg. - Todd  
Lawrimore - Antibodies,  
Alzheimers
- 4/5 Club meeting

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

3/11 Joe Jones

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3/29 Jim Squire (13)

## Rotary Online

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