

# The Rotary Reader

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# May is Youth Services Month

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#### **Board of Directors**

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Scholarship Drawdown:

Dusty Ricketts and Matt Simpson

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# Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach 2017-2018 Rotary Citation Earner

# Today's Speaker: Bill Dillman Goodwill Easter Seals of the Gulf Coast



Bill Dillman is the Vice President of Marketing and Development Goodwill Easter Seals of the Gulf Coast. He has worked for Goodwill Easter Seals for twenty three years. His responsibilities include all fund raising activities, special events, marketing and communication.

In addition to providing program oversight for Goodwill Easter Seals Bill serves as treasurer for the Career Source Board of Okaloosa and Walton Counties (Workforce

Board) and is an active member of First Baptist Church of Fort Walton Beach.

Goodwill Easter Seals of the Gulf Coast serves twelve counties - eight in Alabama and four in Florida. Locally the organization provides services to at-risk youth, active-duty military members, individuals seeking employment and placement, individuals who need medical equipment and supplies, digital skills training, and free tax preparation .

Goodwill Easter Seals of the Gulf Coast employs over six hundred people through Retail Stores and Community Centers in the counties served.

Last year eighty nine cents of every dollar spent was spent helping individuals and families

### **Today's Rotary Prayer**

As Rotarians, let us try to give peace of mind to all we meet,

Spread happiness wherever we go,

Encourage health where people are deprived,

And spread wealth to all those in need.

Amen

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#### RI Convention Hamburg June 1-5, 2019

Registration is Open!

December 16-March 31 \$495 per person

> April I—June 5 \$595 per person

Discover the unique blend of historical and contemporary culture that makes Hamburg such a distinctive place. A flourishing city with friendly people and an array of entertainment options, this beautiful port city is the perfect setting for a memorable experience.

Join Rotarians from around the world to learn, be inspired and share fellowship.

From the House of Friendship to the General Sessions to Breakouts to Special Ticketed Events, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Consider making the commitment to attend.
You will be a better
Rotarian!

For More Information: www.riconvention.org

### 5th Annual Scholarship Drawdown



We are 45 days away from Drawdown and we as a club need to do all we can to work our own contacts, sponsors, food vendors, auction prizes large or small.

Everyone can do their part. Ask yourself what can I do to contribute?

Matt Simpson and Dusty will be kicking it in to high gear and will be delegating event responsibilities to certain members

very soon. Currently entertainment is being taken care of, but special areas we really need help in is food vendors, door and auction prizes, sponsorships, decorations, libations, and manpower. Our expectation is for everyone to do what they are able, so please let Matt or Dusty know what you can do to make this event a success and be willing when called upon to serve in needed areas.

The event is Friday May 24 at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds. We have 2 Co-Presenting Sponsors: Emerald Coast Collision Repair (thank you Eric Polson) and Triple R Construction (thank you Tony Leonard).

We need everyone's help secure sponsorships, sell tickets, and volunteer. Proceeds from sponsorships and ticket sales fund scholarships awarded by Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club Scholarship, Inc, our 501(C)3 Foundation.

#### **Updates**

Through 4/33 we had collected \$12,300 in sponsorships and ticket sales. 308 tickets have been picked up by 39 Rotarians. To date we have 16 corporate sponsorships. We need to gross \$55,000—\$60,000 in ticket sales and sponsorships in order to fund our scholarships.

Sonny's BBQ will be providing the food for the event.

### **4-Way Test Speech Contest**

Last week, Forrest Townsend presented the 4-Way Test Speech contestants to the club. The three were from the Okaloosa STEMM Academy and were accompanied by the school's Language Arts 2 and Speech and Debate instructor, Jennifer Mallett Smith. Each student selected a cause they were passionate about and tied support for the cause to Rotary's 4-Way Test. Dave Miller, Rich Kunkel and a member of Toastmasters served as judges.

Meya Martin was declared the winner, followed by Kyler Bess in second place and Maureen Neiman (who is only I I years old) came in third. Each student received a certificate and Meya was presented with a \$50 check. She also won the 50/50 drawing! Ms Mallett wrote that she appreciated this opportunity for her students and will be happy to assist with this effort in the future. Hopefully other clubs in our area will join in the effort in 2020. Representatives from Crestview, Destin and Niceville-Valparaiso were in attendance at the meeting.











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### **Area Club Activities**

- Crestview will host its Crestview Rotary Roundup (Formerly named the Wild Game Feast). It will be held Friday, May 3 at the Baker Arena. It features Guest Speaker Ed Hubbard, live entertainment, a silent auction, a 50/50 drawing, great food and an open bar. Tickets are \$50 per person or we can do a club sponsorship at one of the many levels. Info on the club's facebook page.
- Crestview is also collecting new and gently used shoes as a fundraiser for Special Olympics. Shoes can be dropped off at Habitat ReStore in FWB
- Destin hosts its 7th Annual Cajun Crawfish Bash Friday, May 3 from 5:30pm—9:00pm at the Seascape Towne Centre. \$30 for a full flat of crawfish and trimmings, or BBQ pork sandwich, hamburgers, hot dogs for those who don't eat mudbugs. Kamado Joe grill raffle Info on the club's facebook page.
- Mid-Bay hosts its 21st Annual Charity Golf Tournament Friday June 7; sign-in and lunch at noon, shotgun tee off at 1pm. Format is Four Person Florida Scramble. Prizes for 1st and 2nd Place (A and B Flights), Closest to the Pin, Hole-in-One, Putting Contest. 4 person team is \$300. Sponsorships are also available. For more information contact Art Jean at 850-897-3658
   Let's support our Fellow Rotarians!

**Upcoming Programs and Activities** 

5/08	Regular Meeting	Ted Corcoran—FWB Chamber of Commerce
5/15	Regular Meeting	Mitzi Henley
5/22	Regular Meeting	Joyce Dove—Rotary Youth Camp of North FL
5/29	Regular Meeting	David Pienta—Rotary Youth Exchange
6/05	Regular Meeting	Scholarship Recipients
6/12	Regular Meeting	TBD
6/19	Lunch Time Social	Fort Walton Yacht Club
6/26	Installation Banque	t

Do You Know? You can make up missed meetings by attending another club's meeting or an e-club meeting, participating in a project or committee meeting. Be sure to let Lorragenia know.

### **May Birthdays and Anniversaries**

# **Birthdays** 5/18 Neal Bern 5/24 Tom Hayes

Wedding Anniversaries
5/19 Jody & Cheryl Henderson
(29)
5/19 Joe & Catherine Garvie
(18)
5/19 Dusty & Jenny Ricketts (7)
5/28 Rick & Kimberly Owen (13)

Club Anniversaries
5/01 Fred Pryor (29)
5/01 Jack Yeiser (18)
5/04 Jody Henderson (31)
5/09 Dan Nelson (18)

# The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

**FIRST** the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service

**SECOND** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The GPEI (Global Polio Eradication Initiative) Endgame Strategy 2019-2023 lays out the roadmap to achieving and sustaining a world free of all polioviruses. It focuses on 3 key pillars: Eradication, Integration and Containment + Certification, as well as critical enabling factors such as gender, research and preparing for Post-Certification Strategy implementation. It builds on the Endgame Strategic Plan 2013-2018 and outlines new strategies and innovations that will help insure we succeed.

We are

#### **People of Action**

Rotary is where Neighbors, Friends and

**Problem Solvers** 

- Share ideas
- Join leaders and
- Take action to create lasting change.

Interested in joining Rotary?
Please contact our Membership
Chair: Andy Corbin
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# The Four-Way Test Of the things we think,

say or do:

- I) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOOD-WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFI-CIAL to all concerned?

Area Make-Up Opportunities

Don't forget that you can make up missed meetings at neighboring clubs. Please contact the club in advance to be sure their schedule hasn't changed. Club contact info is in DACdb

**Crestview**: 12 p.m. Wednesday at Samuel's Restaurant

**Destin**: 7:15 a.m. Tuesday at Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

**DeFuniak Springs:** 12 p.m. Wednesday at McLain's Family Steakhouse

**Mid-Bay:** 7 a.m. Wednesday at American House in Bluewater Bay

**Navarre:** 12 p.m. Friday at Beach Community Bank—Navarre

Niceville Valparaiso: 12 p.m. Thursday at Northwest Florida State College Student Services Building

**South Walton**: 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Somerby, Santa Rosa Beach

## **Rotary Roster**

Robert Anderson, SM CPA

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BBVA/Compass
Katie Sharon PHF\*/Lane Redding/

Robin Donlon

Corporate Member

**Neal Bern SM** 

Insurance

Debbie Bodenstine PHF/SM Roty

RLI1

**Economic Development** 

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM

Cable Television

Mack Busbee, PHF SM \*\*

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (11) PHF MD SM \*

Pension Administration

**Tim Chiasson** 

Attorney

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY \* RLI 1

Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM

Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY

Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson

Honorary

Joe Garvie

Construction

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY

**Government Contractor** 

Ben Gordon, SM

Attorney

Ron Grissom, PHF SM RLI 3

Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM

CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM RLI 1

Education-College

Hancock/Whitney Bank

Stacey McGilvray, Clint Aden

Corporate Member

Sallie Hardy, PHF

**Commercial Properties** 

Tom Haves, PHF SM

Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM \*

Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, PHF SM

Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM

Office Products

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM

Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM RLI 1

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM

Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM

Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM \*\*

Retail/Musical Instruments

**Brandon Lewis** 

Insurance

John Linn, PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (16) PHF SM

**Developmental Disabilities** 

John Morgan, PHF SM\*

Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan,

Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food
Michelle Nicholson, PHF SM

MICHELE MICHOR

Communications
Rick Owen (2) PHF PHS RLI 2

Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, PHF SM

Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson (1)

Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (12) PHF SM BS RotY\*

RLI 3 RLIDL Department Store
Charlie Potts PHE SM\*

Charlie Potts, PHF SM\*

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY\*

Utility Service-Gas

Obie Quiet

Solicitor of New Ideas

Dusty Ricketts, SM RLI 2

News Media

Athena Riley

Attorney

John Roper, PHF RLI 2

**Developmental Disabilities** 

Dick Rynearson

Honorary Member

Eulice Shelley, PHF \*

Moving & Storage

Jessica Simpson

Lighting Sales

**Matt Simpson** 

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM\*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (2)

Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY\* RLI 3

RLIDL

Surge Suppression Systems

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY\*

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Kent Tinsley

Commercial Lending

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY\*

Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF

Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, (2) PHF SM \* RLI2

Condo Management

Charles West, (3) PHF BS SM\*

Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF \*\*

Psychologist **Matt Zasada** 

**CPA** 

PH: Paul Harris Fellows

PHS: Paul Harris Society
MD: Major Donor

BS: Bequest Society

SM: PH Sustaining Members

\* FWB Club Past Presidents

\*\* Past President Other Clubs

RotY: FWB Rotarian of the Year

RLI1/2/3—Level Completed

RLI DL—RLI Discussion Leader

Members in purple have perfect

Members in purple have perfect attendance.