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**Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach
Presidential Citation Award Winner for 20 Years**

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

Board of Directors

- President:** Aaron Webber
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Chuck Landers
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John Roper

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- Club Admin:** Joe Meyer
- **Programs:** ????
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Corbin
- Rotary Foundation:** Katie Sharon
- Service Projects:** Rick Owen
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Charles West
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- Scholarship Drawdown:**
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- Executive Secretary:**
Lorrageia Jackson
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Today's Program: Rotary Membership Andy Corbin and Lisa Williams



Our program today is led by the dynamic duo of Andy Corbin and Lisa Williams—Co-Chairs of our Club Membership Committee. Recently they participated in a conference call with District Membership Chair, Dan Sulger, who shared many resources for building and retaining membership in Rotary Clubs throughout our district.



Andy and Lisa are seeking your input on strategies we can use to help grow our club. Membership has declined in our club over the last few years but our chairs believe we can turn that around this year. They need everyone's help to make it happen.

John Germ, Immediate Past President of Rotary International said it best when he said, "We're not looking to grow our numbers. We are looking for more caring hearts to help us get the job done."

Who do you know with a heart for service? Who do you know who would be a great Rotarian? What businesses and organizations need to be represented in our club but are not currently?

District Governor's Quote of the Month



"Coming together is a Beginning. Keeping together is Progress. Working together is Success." Henry Ford

"With District 6940 working together as a team, the goals of our district will be realized in 2017-2018. The accomplishments that we can make are so much greater when we work together". Lisa Weeks, District Governor

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RI Convention Toronto June 23-27, 2018

Registration is Open!

June 15-December 15
\$335 per person

December 16-March 31
\$410 per person

April 1—June 27
\$495 per person

Toronto is Canada's largest city, fourth largest in North America, and home to a diverse population of 2.8 million people. It's a global centre for business, finance, arts and culture and is consistently ranked one of the world's most livable cities.

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

World Pledges More than \$1 B to End Polio

With polio on the brink of eradication, nations from around the world and key donors pledged \$1.2 billion on Monday, June 11 to energize the global fight to end the paralyzing disease.

The historic pledges of new funds at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, GA, will go toward drastically shrinking the \$1.5 billion gap in the funding that the partners of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative say is needed to reduce polio cases to zero worldwide. Just five cases have been reported this year, the lowest number in history.

Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, said ending polio would be one of the world's greatest achievements.

Rotary International President John F Germ announced that Rotary would increase its commitment and raise \$50 million per year over the next three years. Rotary has raised more than \$1.7 billion to fight the disease since 1985.

"Right now, every time a new case is identified, it really could be the last one the world ever sees," Germ said.

Gates told the crowd of nearly 24,000 that, starting 1 July, his foundation will extend its 2-1 match to cover up to \$50 million in donations to Rotary for each of the next three years. The match and donations to Rotary would add up to \$150 million per year over the next three years, which will add up to \$450 million to the fight.

John Cena, WWE Superstar, actor, and Rotary polio ambassador, emceed the pledging event. He applauded Rotary's determination to end the disease. "You were the trailblazers who wanted to prove to the world that this insurmountable task could be done," he said.

The new funding will go toward polio eradication efforts such as disease surveillance, responses to any outbreaks, and the vaccination of more than 400 million children annually.

Here are the historic pledges:

- \$450.0 million—Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- \$154.7 million—Pakistan
- \$150.0 million—Rotary International
- \$134.6 million—Nigeria
- \$75.0 million—Canada
- \$61.4 million—European Commission
- \$55.0 million—Japan
- \$30.0 million—United Arab Emirates
- \$30.0 million—Dalio Foundation
- \$25.0 million—Bloomberg Philanthropies
- \$15.0 million—Anonymous Donor
- \$13.4 million—Australia
- \$11.2 million—Germany
- \$5.0 million—Easyjet
- \$5.0 million—Italy
- \$4.0 million—Korea
- \$2.0 million—Dorea Foundation for International Healthcare/Community Chest
- \$1.7 million—United Nations Foundation
- \$1.03million—Switzerland
- \$514,000 - UNICEF USA
- \$500,000—Luxembourg
- \$330,000—Monaco
- \$130,000—New Era Educational and Charitable Foundation
- \$60,000—Turkey
- \$30,000—Malta
- \$20,000—Spain
- \$20,000—Accenture Interactive, USA

Story by Ryan Hyland & Teresa Schmedding, Rotary International

Please Donate Books



We have a continuing need for book donations for our 2 Little Free Libraries. All kinds of books are needed: children's books, novels, cookbooks, non-fiction, inspirational, etc. Please bring books to any Wednesday meeting and they will be used to restock the libraries as needed.

Annual Foundation/Grant Seminar

Interested in finding out more about The Rotary Foundation and the work we do through District and Global Grants? Plan to attend the annual Foundation/Grant Seminar. Two are being held for the district, one nearby in Niceville. The Niceville event will be held Saturday, August 26 from 10am—2pm. There is no charge for this seminar. There is still time to register in DaCDB. For more information, please see Club Foundation Chair Katie Sharon or Asst District Governor Jan Pooley.

Upcoming Programs and Activities August is Membership and New Club Development Month

8/09	Regular Meeting	Charles West and RYLA Participants
8/16	Regular Meeting	Carolyn Ketchel, County Commissioner
8/23	Regular Meeting	Gerald Rush, Genealogy
8/26	Foundation Seminar	NWFSC, Niceville
8/30	TBD	
9/06	Regular Meeting	Dr Devin Stephenson, NWFSC President
9/13	Regular Meeting	Melinda Bowers, University of West Florida
9/20	Regular Meeting	Lisa Weeks, District Governor's Official Visit

Did You Know? You can attend a club board meeting, committee meeting or project as a make-up.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

August Birthdays

8/09 Roger Peadro
8/17 Chad Hamilton
8/23 Dan Nelson
8/29 Debbie Bodens-
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August Anniversaries

8/09 Mitzi & Bear Henley
8/12 Jeff & Mona Hooton (28)
8/14 Herb & Dolly Tinsley (46)
8/18 Andy & Therese Corbin
(38)
8/28 Eulice & Wilma Shelley (69)

August Club Anniversaries

8/03 Russ Youngblood (23)
8/04 Joe Brewster (24)
8/10 Rick Owen (1)
8/10 Oxana Solovieva (1)
8/10 Steve Taylor (1)
8/12 Sallie Hardy (25)
8/12 Neal Bern (2)
8/13 Diane Poff (3)
8/17 Scott Smith (12)

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.



Five country-wide vaccination campaigns have been held in Pakistan since October 2016, preparing for the 2017 high season for poliovirus transmission, which runs from June until September. More than 38 million children under the age of 5 were vaccinated in one of those campaigns, held in May 2017.

Rotary Roster

The Four-Way Test
Of the things we think,
 say or do:

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

Interested in joining Rotary?

Please contact our Membership

Chairs:

Lisa Williams at

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or

Andy Corbin

ajc@tslinc.com

PH: Paul Harris Fellows

SM: PH Sustaining Members

* FWB Club Past Presidents

** Past President Other Clubs

RotY: FWB Rotarian of the Year

Members in purple have perfect attendance.

Area Make-Up Opportunities

Don't forget that you can make up missed meetings at neighboring clubs. They include:

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 Superior Residences at 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

Robert Anderson, SM

CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM

Insurance

Neal Bern SM

Insurance

Debbie Bodenshtine, PHF SM RotY

Economic Development

Ann Boynton SM Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM Cable Television

Mack Busbee, SM **

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM LP

Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (10) PHF SM *

Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY *

Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM

Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY

Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson

Honorary

Cliff Ennis

Business IT Management

Bob Fowner, PHF SM

Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM

Attorney

Ron Grissom, PHF SM

Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM

CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM

Education- College

Sallie Hardy, PHF

Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM

Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM *

Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM

Retail Shopping Center

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM

Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM

Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM

Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM **

Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

David Macdonald PHF SM **

Shopping Center Manager

Joe Meyer, (1) RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (15) PHF SM

Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM*

Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan,

Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, SM

Communications

Rick Owen (1)

Non-Profit Management

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*

Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, (1) SM

Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (11) PHF SM RotY*

Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM*

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY*

Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM

News Media

John Roper, PHF

Developmental Disabilities

Dick Ryneason

Honorary Member

Katie Sharon, (1) PHF SM *

Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF *

Moving & Storage

Matt Simpson

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (1)

Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY*

Surge Suppression Systems

Steve Taylor

Management Consultant

Kent Tinsley

Commercial Banking

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY*

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY*

Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF

Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM

Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, (1) PHF SM

Condo Management

Charles West, (2) PHF SM*

Investment Broker

Lisa Williams

Utilities

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist

Matt Zasada

CPA

Recent Meeting Attendance

July 5—55.2%

July 12—59.3%

July 19—50.8%