



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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

May is Youth Services Month

Board of Directors

- President:** Aaron Webber
- President Elect:** Ron Grissom
- Secretary:** Ross LeBlanc
- Treasurer:** Dusty Ricketts
- Past President:** Katie Sharon
- At Large:** Forrest Townsend and
Chuck Landers
- Senior Member:** Bob Fowner
- Sergeant at Arms:** Rick Owen and
John Roper

Committee Chairs

- Club Admin:** Joe Meyer
- **Programs:** Your Name Could be
Here
- **Socials:** JT Edwards
- **Bulletin:** Jan Pooley
- Public Relations:** Matt Simpson
- Membership:** Andy Corbin
- Rotary Foundation:** Katie Sharon
- Service Projects:** Rick Owen
- Youth Services:** Ross Hamilton and
Charles West
- Scholarship Inc:** Matt Turpin
- Scholarship Drawdown:**
Ross LeBlanc, Dusty Ricketts
- Executive Secretary:**
Lorrageia Jackson
executivesecretary@fortwaltonrotary.org

Today's Program: Ted Corcoran, President & CEO Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce



Ted Corcoran has been the President and CEO of the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce. Under his leadership the chamber has grown into one of the largest chambers in the state. When a project is in progress with the intent of improving or promoting the Fort Walton Beach area, you can be sure Ted and the chamber will be involved.

Scholarship Drawdown Update



Our annual event is just over 3 weeks away. We have sold \$16,850 in sponsorships and individual tickets to date. We are more than 35% down compared to results at this point last year. We need a strong finish! Last year's total was \$55,000+, so keep sharing the event and sponsorship with all of your friends and business associates. Matt Simpson's team is in the lead with \$5,100, followed closely by Jessica Simpson's team

with \$4,500. Team results are on page 4. Team Captains have your tickets. Brochures and sponsor forms are available at each meeting. **Tickets and sponsorships are due 1 week prior to the event. This is necessary to prepare signage, table layout and most importantly the drawing. Do not plan to turn in money or tickets the night of the event.** We need lots of great "loser prizes" to award throughout the night. See Mary Plummer or Sallie Hardy for more information. Want to help with decorations? See Diane Poff or Richard Kunkel. Want to help with libations? See JT Edwards. Want to help with registration? See Debbie Bodensine or Jean Woo. Event set up starts at noon Thursday, May 24. Lunch will be served. This takes the place of our regular Wednesday meeting. Event is Friday, May 25 at 6:00pm at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds.

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District 6940 website: www.rotary6940.org



**RI Convention
Toronto
June 23-27, 2018**

Registration is Open!

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

RYLA Feedback

Forrest shared the following note he received from one of the 10th graders we sponsored for 2018 RYLA. Thanks to Charles West who headed our recruiting efforts this year. Rotary Making a Difference

Dear Dr Townsend,
Thank you so much for telling my mom about the RYLA camp. I had such a great time. I made many friends and learned so much. One of my most favorite exercises was the acceptance, rejection and ignored drill. It taught that how you react to people effects their reaction back. We did an activity where three people were chosen to present on the spot with no idea what was going to happen. Each were treated with either acceptance, rejection or being ignored afterwards and we got to see the emotional results of each of our actions.

I also really had fun doing the ropes course activities.

Thank you again for sponsoring me and giving me the opportunity to attend.

Madison Riley



Upcoming Area Events



The Destin Club's 6th Annual Cajun Crawfish Bash is this Friday, May 4 from 5:30pm—9:00pm at the Seascaple Towncenter in Miramar Beach. Enjoy the great food, Zydeco music, silent auction and more. Adult tickets are \$30.

<http://www.sowal.com/event/rotary-club-destin-cajun-crawfish-bash-0>

The Mid-Bay Rotary Club will hold it's annual Golf Tournament Friday, June 1 at the Bluewater Bay Golf Course. Sponsorships are available now, starting at \$100. For more information contact Steve Gardner at 850-598-3195

Feed the Need—This Saturday

Saturday, May 5

Our shift is 10:30—noon; Please arrive 15 minutes early

Life Center at Gregg Chapel on Carson Drive in Fort Walton Beach

Wear your Rotarian at Work shirt

We need at least 10 volunteers to man a table and pack meals for local organizations who provide food for the hungry.

Reef Building Project

More than 40 volunteers from our club, Boy Scout troops 259 and 52, Americorps and the Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance joined forces to construct three artificial reefs along the shore of Boggy Bayou in Valparaiso., near the fishing pier. The volunteers used hundreds of pounds of limestone to construct the reefs. "The idea and the overall goal of the project is to have sediment building up behind the reefs...so we can bring in a little salt-marsh area," said Rachel Gwin, the CBA's restoration coordinator. "We'll be planting some smooth cordgrass after sediment settles out, and that provides extra habitat for fish and shrimp." Once oysters attach to the reef, they will help to clean and filter the water in the bayou. The project is a partnership between the CBA and the City of Valparaiso and is funded by the Northwest Florida Water Management District, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Committee.



Upcoming Programs and Activities May is Youth Services Month

5/09	Regular Meeting	Sheriff Larry Ashley
5/16	Regular Meeting	Jennifer Adams, Okaloosa Co Tourism
5/23	No Meeting	
5/24	Drawdown Setup	Meet at Fairgrounds at noon; lunch provided
5/30	Regular Meeting	Rebecca Ratliff, Audiologist
6/06	Regular Meeting	TBD
6/27	Installation of Officers	6pm; Ramada Inn

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 Lorrageia know.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

May Birthdays	May Anniversaries	May Club Anniversaries
5/18 Neal Bern	5/19 Dusty & Jenny Ricketts 6	5/01 Jack Yeiser 33
5/24 Tom Hayes	5/19 Jody & Cheryl Henderson 28	5/01 Fred Pryor 45
	5/28 Rick & Kimberly Owen	5/04 Jody Henderson 30
		5/09 Dan Nelson 17

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.



In Iraq last month, vaccinators undertook a five-day campaign in five camps for internally displaced people around Erbil, as part of the first Spring Subnational Polio Campaign targeting 1.6 million children in the high risk areas of Iraq. Iraq has not had a case of indigenous wild poliovirus since 2000. However, due to the drastic drop in immunity in the country after years of conflict, two children were paralyzed when wild poliovirus was imported in 2014.

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:
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 RO

CPA

Neal Bern SM GC

Insurance

Debbie Bodensine PHF/SM Roty

Economic Development RO

Ann Boynton SM JS

Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM MS

Cable Television

Mack Busbee, SM ** JR

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (10) PHF SM * GC

Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY * MS

Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM GC

Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY JS

Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson

Honorary

Cliff Ennis RO

Business IT Management

Bob Fowner, PHF SM JR

Association Manager

Joe Garvie JR

Construction

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY GC

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM GC

Attorney

Ron Grissom, PHF SM JS

Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM RO

CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM MS

Education- College

Sallie Hardy, PHF JR

Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM MS

Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM * JS

Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM RO

Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM RO

Office Products

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM JR

Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM GC

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM JR

Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM MS

Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM ** GC

Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM RO

Kitchens-Retail

David Macdonald PHF SM ** JR

Shopping Center Manager

Stacey McGilvray MS

Commercial Lending

Mack McElhose RO

Mass Transit

Joe Meyer, (1) RotY PHF JS

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (15) PHF SM MS

Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM* JR

Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, GC

Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM GC

Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, SM RO

Communications

Rick Owen (1) RO

Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF MS

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY JS

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, (1) SM JS

Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson JS

Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (11) PHF SM RotY* MS

Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM* GC

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY* JR

Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM JS

News Media

John Roper, PHF JR

Developmental Disabilities

Dick Rynearson

Honorary Member

Eulice Shelley, PHF * RO

Moving & Storage

Jessica Simpson JS

Lighting Sales

Matt Simpson MS

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM* JR

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (1) MS

Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY* RO

Surge Suppression Systems

Steve Taylor RO

Management Consultant

Kent Tinsley JR

Commercial Banking

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY* GC

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY* JS

Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF JS

Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM GC

Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, (1) PHF SM MS

Condo Management

Charles West, (2) PHF SM* JS

Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF MS

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF MS

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF ** JR

Psychologist

Matt Zasada GC

CPA

Drawdown Team Results

Jessica Simpson \$4,500

Matt Simpson \$5,100

Rick Owen \$1,400

John Roper \$2,100

Gerry Chalker \$ 3,750

Total \$16,850