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

**November is
Rotary Foundation Month**

Board of Directors

- President:** Katie Sharon
- President Elect:** Aaron Webber
- Secretary:** Ron Grissom
- Treasurer:** Ross LeBlanc
- Past President:** Charles West
- At Large:** Dusty Ricketts and Chuck Landers
- Senior Member:** Eulice Shelley
- Sergeant at Arms:** Mack Busbee, JT Edwards, Jeff Hooton, Jean Woo

Committee Chairs

- Club Admin:** Joe Meyer
- **Programs:** Dusty Ricketts
- **Socials:** Neal Bern, Lyndon Poff
- **Bulletin:** Jan Pooley
- Public Relations:** Lisa Williams
- Membership:** Laura Kirby, Andy Corbin
- Rotary Foundation:** Joe Brewster
- Service Projects:** Rick Owen
- Youth Services:** Ross Hamilton
- Scholarship Inc:** Matt Turpin
- Scholarship Drawdown:** Ron Grissom, Ross LeBlanc
- Executive Secretary:** Lorrageia Jackson
executivesecretary@fortwaltonrotary.org

Today's Speaker: Robert E Strickland Mgr of Donor Recruitment for One Blood



As Manager of Donor Recruitment for OneBlood, Robert has built his career around helping to save lives. He began his career as a U.S. Navy Corpsman, a capacity in which he served for four years. After this tour with the Navy, he compiled 20 years of experience in blood banking, and currently spends his days recruiting and educating blood donors. In his tenure with OneBlood, he has welcomed the challenge to increase minority donations by educating

potential donors on how blood is used to treat patients with various diseases. He partnered with Sacred Heart Hospital to conduct community health fairs to promote good health practices for the uninsured and indigent. He is committed to the patients at more than 24 hospitals, including the area's local military hospitals located from Southeast Alabama to Panama City, Fla.

Robert grew up in Milton, Fla., where he learned many life lessons. He believes in communities joining together to help make Northwest Florida a healthier place to live.

Choctaw Takes Home the Rotary Trophy



Choctaw won the "City Championship" Trophy awarded by the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club each year to the winner of the Choctaw-Fort Walton Beach football game. Choctaw won the game., played last Friday night at Steve Riggs Stadium, by a score of 43-36. By all accounts it was an exciting game and lived up to its nickname, "The Game".

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District 6940 website: www.rotary6940.org



**Celebrate The
Rotary
Foundation's
Centennial
at the
RI Convention
Atlanta, GA
June 10-14, 2017**

**Current Reg \$340
Dec 16—\$415
April 1—\$490**

Volunteers will be positioned at sites around the Atlanta area to help our guests find their way to and from various locations in Atlanta.

They will be positioned at the Atlanta Airport, the Train Station, all hotels and at major HOC events. Any Rotarian or Rotaractor or guest of a Rotarian or Rotaractor that is registered for the convention and at least 19 years old can be a volunteer. A sign-up for form for volunteers is available on the convention web site.

Plan now to Attend!

**For more information visit:
www.riconvention.org**

New Member Proposed for Club Membership

Lori Gregory has been proposed for membership by James Bass. Lori is a Funeral Director with McLaughlin Mortuary. She was previously a member of the Rotary Club of Spokane Valley—Sunrise. Many of you had the opportunity to meet her at our recent social at The Gulf. (First Publication)

Little Free Libraries Update

The Little Free Libraries our club built in September are almost complete, needing only the decals recognizing the donation by the Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach. These decals should be ready this week. As we near the time to place the libraries at the Fort Walton Beach Landing and in the Charlie Hill Terrace neighborhood adjacent to the Eleanor J Johnson Youth Center, we are asking for donations of books focused on the following genres:

- Children (early reader through middle school)
- Fiction novels
- Non-fiction biographies (specifically those who were instrumental in shaping the history for the United States).
- Cookbooks
- Self-help books

If you have any books to donate, please contact Rick Owen, rick@united-way.org.

Foundation Giving Update

In 2017 The Rotary Foundation will celebrate its Centennial...100 Years of Doing Good in the World. In celebration of the Centennial clubs have been challenged to beat their highest giving level from the last 5 years. Our highest was \$10,601...given during the 2012-2013 year. July—October we have contributed \$2,726.50 to the Annual Fund. Most club members are Sustainers meaning we contribute \$100 each year. If you would like to give something extra this year, let Lorrageia know so she can change your billing. Another option is to give through Rotary Direct. Maybe you would like to complete a Paul Harris Fellow during the Centennial year. Joe Brewster can let you know how far you are from your first or next PHF. 49 of our 75 members are Paul Harris Fellows...Thank You! Our multiple Paul Harris Fellows are listed below...won't you join them?

PHF+4—Forrest Townsend

PHF+3—Andy Corbin, Fred Pryor, Rick Stevens

PHF+2—George Dorris, Roger Peadro, Jan Pooley, Eulice Shelley, Scott Smith, Herb Tinsley

PHF+1—Jack Arthur, Debbie Bodestine, Joe Brewster, Frank Brutt, Gerry Chalker, Ralph Fallin, Bob Fowner, Tony Gilligan, Haydon Grubbs, Sallie Hardy, Tom Hayes, Jody Henderson, John Morgan, Dan Nelson, Lyndon Poff, Charlie Potts, Al Stearns, Alex Trum, Jean Woo, Russ Youngblood

Get Out The Vote



Early voting has begun in Florida and will be available through Saturday, November 5. Okaloosa County has 5 Early Voting locations: County Admin Building in Shalimar, Destin Community Center, Niceville City Hall, Crestview Community Center, and Supervisor of Elections Office in Crestview.

If you choose to vote on Election Day (Tuesday, November 8) you must vote in your precinct.

Hours for either of these options are 7am—7pm. Bring photo and signature ID.

For additional information about the election go to www.govote-okaloosa.com.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

- 11/09 Regular Meeting Col. Robert Kirila, Deputy Commander 7th Special Forces (**Meeting at Bob Hope Village—Gates Bldg**)
- 11/16 Regular Meeting Don Gaetz, State Senator
- 11/23 No Meeting Happy Thanksgiving
- 11/30 Regular Meeting Steve Duke, Florida Trail Association
- 12/14 Regular Meeting Cathy Alley, Emerald Coast Assn of Realtors
- 1/27 Rotary Leadership Inst Pensacola (Levels 1, 2, 3)
- 2/18 Rotary Leadership Inst Panama City (Levels 1, 2, 3)
- 4/6-4/9/17 District Conference Baytowne Wharf

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Birthdays		Charlie Potts	11/23	11/6 Ron & Pam Grissom
Lyndon Poff	11/08	Matt Turpin	11/24	11/29 Kevin & Sue Ann
John Morgan	11/16	Jack Yeiser	11/25	Cagle
Rick Owen	11/18	Ross Hamilton	11/28	
Jean Woo	11/18	Anniversaries		Membership Anniv
Kent Tinsley	11/19	11/2 Dave & Debra	Lisa Williams	11/18 1 yr
Jamie Mattern	11/20	MacDonald	Ross Hamilton	11/20 3yrs

Club History Corner

1995 — Received the Presidential Citation again for outstanding performance.
1996 — Received the Presidential Citation again. Received matching funds from the Rotary Foundation and purchased incubators for a hospital in Brazil. Received an award for the Most Improved Club in the district, received an award for the most amount of money donated by a club to the Rotary Foundation, received an award for continuous support (6 years in a row) of the student exchange program. Installed the largest number of Paul Harris fellows in one year (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.



Experts say \$1.5 billion is urgently needed to sustain the

progress in eradicating polio. Without full funding and political commitment, this paralyzing disease could return to previously polio-free countries.

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:

Laura Kirby

LKirby@Landrumcompanies.com 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

Bill Alexson

Military Operations Commander

Robert Anderson, SM

CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM

Insurance

James Bass, SM

Funeral Director

Neal Bern SM

Insurance

Debbie Bodenshine, PHF SM RotY

Economic Development

Ann Boynton SM

Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM

Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM

County Planning

Mack Busbee, SM **

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM

Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (9) 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

Ralph Fallin, (35) PHF SM RotY*

Dairy Products

Bob Foster

Business Management

Bob Fowner, PHF SM

Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM

Attorney

Ron Grissom, SM

Utilities

Haydon Grubbs, PHF SM

Education

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

Laura Kirby (3) SM

Business Development

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

Ted Litschauer, PHF SM

Public Safety

Jamey Mattern, PHF

Architect

David Macdonald PHF SM **

Shopping Center Manager

Julie McNabb, SM

Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (13) 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

Non-Profit Management

Susan Page,

Professional Counseling

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*

Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

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Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, SM

Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (10) PHF SM RotY*

Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM*

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY*

Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM

News Media

Katie Sharon, SM

Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF *

Moving & Storage

Scott Smith, PHF SM*

Chiropractor

Whitney Smith, SM

Attorney

Oxana Solovieva

Commercial Real Estate

Allan Stearns, PHF SM*

Travel Agent

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, SM

Condo Management

Charles West, (1) PHF SM*

Investment Broker

Lisa Williams

Utilities

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist