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**March is  
Water and Sanitation  
Month**

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# The Rotary Reader

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

## **Today's Speaker: Dusty Ricketts, Matt Simpson 5th Annual Scholarship Drawdown**



Today our co-chairs for the 5th Annual Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown, Secretary Dusty Ricketts and Treasurer Matt Simpson, will discuss their strategies for making this the most successful yet.

## **Welcome, Athena Riley!**

Please help us welcome Athena Riley as our club's newest member. Athena was sponsored by Andy Corbin and inducted last week by Assistant Governor Bill Lindsley. Athena is an attorney with Cotton & Gates, Attorneys at Law. She graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 2009 and was admitted to the Florida Bar when she moved to the area in 2014. She focuses on Probates & Estates, Wills & Trusts, General Business and Civil Litigation. Athena is a founding member and President of the Okaloosa Florida Association for Women Lawyers.

## **Today's Rotary Prayer**

Dear Lord,  
From whom all life and all true gladness springs,  
Whose love and care shine everywhere among earth's common things;  
Be present while we lift our thoughts to thee, a  
And pay heart-gratitude for all things good about our path today.  
Amen

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## RI Convention Hamburg June 1-5, 2019

Registration is Open!

December 16-March 31  
\$495 per person

April 1—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](http://www.riconvention.org)

## Feed the Need

Feed the Need is a community meal packaging event. The food packaged will be immediately provided to food pantries in Okaloosa and Walton counties to feed hungry people. Event details:

Saturday, March 30

90 minute shifts beginning at 8am, 9:30am, 11am and 12:30pm

Gregg Chapel Life Center (15 Carson Dr)

Our club is a Gold sponsor, providing the supplies for 4000 meals. The event's goal is to package 100,000 meals. Sign up with Rick Owen and plan to bring your family to volunteer. You'll have lots of fun and help those in need.

## March Social

Next Wednesday, March 13, we will have an evening social in lieu of our regular meeting. It will be held at WaterVue (203 Brooks St SE) beginning at 6pm. Plan to come out, share a little St Patricks' Day cheer! Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

## Rotary Vision/Mission

"Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves" Rotary Vision Statement adopted by the Board and Trustees in June 2017  
Our mission is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professionals, and community leaders.

## Rotary 6940 District Conference



Mark your calendars now for the 2019 District 6940 Conference at the Baytowne Conference Center.

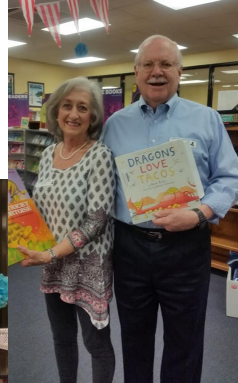
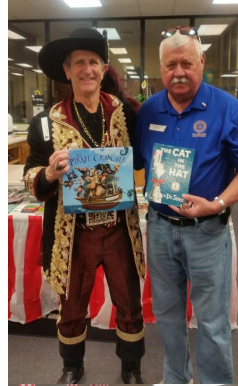
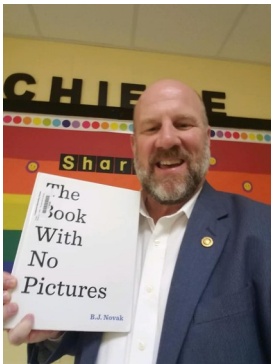
Join fellow Rotarians from around the district as we serve together (Socks of Love and potential hurricane relief project), learn together (great speakers and breakout sessions), celebrate together (district awards and recognition) and remember together (memorial service).

Medina's Treasure theme will carry throughout the conference. Family friendly Plan to attend...you won't regret it.

The club will reimburse your registration fee and the cost of 1 night for a studio if you stay at the resort. President Ron, Jean Woo, Rick Owen, Fred Pryor, Sallie Hardy, Katie Sharon, Andy Corbin and Jan Pooley have already regis-

## Longwood Read-a-Thon

As part of Read Across America, Longwood Elementary in Shalimar held its annual Read-a-Thon Friday, March 1. Several of our members participated by reading books to various classrooms. Participating were Andy Corbin, President Ron Grissom, Mary Plummer, Dan Nelson (who read a book titled *Dragons Love Tacos*), Gerry Chalker, Beth Chalker, Forrest Townsend, John Roper, Rick Owen, George Dorris and Jan Pooley. This was a fun way to support one of The Rotary Foundation's Areas of Focus—Basic Education and Literacy. The students loved it and the organizers were very appreciative.



## 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.

## Upcoming Programs and Activities

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|---------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 3/06    | Regular Meeting             | Drawdown Committee                    |
| 3/13    | Club Social                 | St Patrick's Day theme at WaterVue    |
| 3/20    | Regular Meeting             | Polio and Post Polio—Corina Zalace    |
| 3/23    | Rotary Leadership Institute | Institute in Tallahassee              |
| 3/27    | Regular Meeting             | Pete and Carol's Rotary Trip to Nepal |
| 4/03    | Regular Meeting             | Sheriff Larry Ashley                  |
| 4/5-4/7 | District Conference         | Baytowne Conference Center            |

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.

## March Birthdays and Anniversaries

**Birthdays**  
 3/05 Herb Tinsley  
 3/11 Dave Miller  
 3/13 Jan Pooley  
 3/19 Jeff Hooton

**Wedding Anniversaries**  
 3/05 Gerry & Beth Chalker (31)  
 3/10 Joe & Kim Meyer (29)  
 3/21 Rick & Patti Stevens (38)  
 3/25 Debbie Bodenshtine & Scott Lightsey (19)

**Club Anniversaries**  
 3/21 Mitzi Henley (12)  
 3/28 Joe Garvie (1)  
 3/28 Stacey McGilvray (1)



On February 26-27, 2019, the Global Commission for Certification of Poliomyelitis Eradication (GCC) met at the World Health Organization (WHO) world headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, to continue its intensified work on global certification criteria for poliomyelitis eradication and poliovirus containment.

The work of the GCC is critical to verifying the achievement of a world free of all polio viruses.

# Rotary Roster

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  
ajc@tslinc.com

## 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?

## 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 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

**Robert Anderson, SM**

CPA

**BBVA/Compass**

**Katie Sharon PHF\*/Lane Redding/  
Robin Donlon**

Corporate Member

**Neal Bern SM**

Insurance

**Debbie Bodensine PHF/SM Roty  
RLI 1**

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

**Sallie Hardy, PHF**

Commercial Properties

**Tom Hayes, PHF SM**

Financial Services

**Jody Henderson, PHF SM \***

Accounting/Auditing

**Mitzi Henley, PHF SM**

Retail Shopping Center

**Rudy Hill, SM**

Office Products

**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

**Nora Lenderbee**

Mortgage Loan Consultant

**Tony Leonard, PHF SM \*\***

Retail/Musical Instruments

**John Linn, PHF SM**

Kitchens-Retail

**Stacey McGilvray**

Commercial Lending

**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**

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, PHF SM\***

Jeweler

**Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY\***

Utility Service-Gas

**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.

**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

## Recent Attendance

2/06 58.2%

2/13 60.3%

2/20 50.9%

2/27 59.6%

Feb To Date 57.3%

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 attendance.