



The Rotary Reader



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

**February is
Peace and Conflict
Prevention/Resolution
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

Today's Speakers: Terry Pilcher and Josh Summers Emerald Coast Association of Realtors



Terry Pilcher, ECAR 2017 President

The mission of the Emerald Coast Association of REALTORS is to assist the members in achieving an exemplary level of professionalism, integrity, and fair business practice and to enhance the Realtor image to the public by providing its members with the best available education, products, and services they need to succeed. It also seeks to protect private property rights, influence



Josh Summers, ECAR Chief Operating Officer

legislation, and to be recognized as involved citizens of the community.

Today we will hear from Terry Pilcher, 2017 President and Josh Summers, Chief Operating Officer.

Welcome Essay Contest Winners!

Today we welcome the winners of November's Essay contest, jointly sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Area 3 (Okaloosa and Walton Counties) and the Northwest Florida Daily News. The essays were based on the following question: How do you see the Rotary 4-Way Test benefiting people who apply the principles to their daily lives?

The winners include:

- 3rd Grade: Joseph Grete, Rocky Bayou Christian School
- 4th Grade: Joshua M Wintle, Home Schooled: "Willy's Box"
- 5th Grade: Ariel Linton, Destin Middle School: "My Perspective of the Rotary 4-Way Test"
- 6th-8th Grades: Kerry Seekamp, Destin Middle School
- 9th-12th Grades: Rendell Ron L Lucena, Niceville High School: "The Virtues of the Four-Way Test"

Congratulations to all the Winners!

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Follow us on Facebook: Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach
District website: www.rotary690.org



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

Current Reg \$415 April 1—\$490

- Registration covers:
 - Inspiring and entertaining speakers, including top leaders of our organization
 - Informative breakout sessions to help you build your communication, leadership and project management skills
 - Opportunities to network and exchange ideas while browsing the fellowship and project booths in the House of Friendship
 - Entertainment provided by local artists and musicians in the House of Friendship and at the General Sessions

FWB Rotarians who have registered: Katie Sharon, Jean Woo, Debbie Bodenshtine, Joe Meyer, Lyndon & Diane Poff, Jan Pooley

Plan now to Attend!

For more information visit: www.riconvention.org

Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown



The 2017 Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown will be held Friday, May 19 at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds. The event begins at 6:00pm.

The club has netted \$25,000 each of the last two years at this event, with the proceeds going to the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club Scholarship, Inc. We want to exceed \$30,000 this year and can do it with each member's participation.

- Ron Grissom and Ross LeBlanc chair the event.
- Each member is expected to sell 5 tickets or secure a \$500

sponsorship. A \$200 minimum will be charged to your account if no tickets are sold and money turned in.

- Tony Gilligan is the Sales Leader supported by team captains Charles West, Roger Peadro, Debbie Bodenshtine, Katie Sharon and Lyndon Poff. **Each member has been assigned to a team. See Rotary Roster on page 4 for your team assignment.**
- Sponsorship Deadline is 4/19/17.
- Ticket/money turn in deadline is 5/12/17.
- Other committee chairs include: Decorations—Lisa W, Laura K, Diane P and Rich K; Loser Prizes—Mary Plummer and Sallie Hardy; Signs—Aaron Webber
- The updated brochure and tickets will be available very soon.

Miscellaneous Notes

- Crestview Rotary Club is currently selling tickets for its annual Great Gun Give Away. Tickets are \$30. Their annual Wild Game Dinner is Friday, February 17. For tickets contact club president Larry Ward at lward@sheriff-okaloosa.org.
- District 6940 is currently seeking Peace Fellow candidates. Through training, study and practice Rotary Peace Fellows become leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution. Many go on to careers in national governments, NGO's, military, law enforcement and international organization like the United Nations and World Bank. Peace Fellow Scholarships, which do not require any funding from nominating clubs and districts, include all tuition fees, travel and living expenses during either a n 18-24 month master's degree from one of 5 designated Peace Center Universities or a 3 month certificate program. For more info contact Kathy Suerken, District Peace Fellow Chair, at suerken@cox.net or 850-897-2616. www.rotary.org/our-programs/peace-fellowships

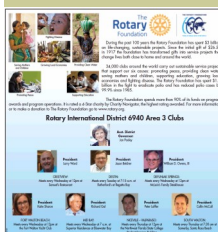
Boy Scout Hut Update



The renovation of the Boy Scout hut is almost complete. Here are two ways you can help. Contact Charles West for more information.

- Attend a clean-up workday Saturday morning, February 11
- Attend the Dedication and Grand Opening Sunday, February 19 at 1:30

TRF—100 Years of Doing Good in the World



February 23 marks the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of The Rotary Foundation. Since the initial gift of \$26.50 the foundation has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects, changing lives both close to home and around the world, including \$1.6 billion in the effort to eradicate polio. More than 90% of the funds are spent on program awards and program operations. The foundation has earned a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, the highest rating awarded.



Make Plans to Attend the District Conference April 7-9 at Baytowne Wharf

Featuring:

Great speakers including Rotary notables, Quint Studer and local POW Ed Hubbard

Updates on PolioPlus, Alzheimers Research and more

Networking with other clubs; Club displays

Governor's Banquet and Awards

Fishing, Golf Outings, Tours and Hospitality Suite

Entertainment by Mr Big and The Rhythm Sisters

For more info and to register, go to www.rotary6940.org

Want to showcase your business to an estimated 300+ attendees? Be a conference sponsor (sponsorship forms on Lorrageia's table), provide swag for the conference bags or donate a doorprize. See Jan Pooley for more information.

Upcoming Programs and Activities
February is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

- 2/11 Rotary Leadership Inst Panama City (Levels 1, 2, 3)
- 2/15 Club Assembly Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown
- 2/22 Regular Meeting Allison McDowell, Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance
- 3/01 Regular Meeting Frank Dailey. Heroes on the Water
- 3/08 Regular Meeting Paul Hsu, STEM Education
- 3/15 Regular Meeting Carole Ann Haws, Covenant Hospice
- 3/22 Club Assembly Aaron Webber, 2017-2018 Goals
- 3/25 Rotary Leadership Inst Tallahassee (Levels 1, 2, 3)
- 3/30-4/2 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Adventures Unlimited
- 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

January Birthdays

Richard Kunkel 2/10
 Tony Leonard 2/21
 Joe Brewster 2/22

Anniversaries

2/4 Tony & Gretchen
 Gilligan
 2/4 Ross & Jenny Hamilton

Membership Anniv

Rick Stevens 2/12 25 yrs
 Tony Gilligan 2/15 22 yrs
 Dave Miller 2/17 24 yrs
 Dusty Ricketts 2/22 5 yrs
 Jeff Hooton 2/22 11 yrs
 Mac Macdonald 2/29 5 yrs

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.



If we allow polio to spread again, it would cost upwards of \$35 billion

more in treatment expenses and economic losses so it's a no-brainer that we have to commit all our resources to finish the job once and for all.
 John Hewko
 General Secretary
 Rotary International

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

Robert Anderson, SM CW
 CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM KS
 Insurance

James Bass, SM
 Funeral Director

Neal Bern SM CW
 Insurance

Debbie Bodenshtine, PHF SM Roty
 Economic Development DB

Ann Boynton SM KS
 Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM CW
 Cable Television

Mack Busbee, SM ** DB
 County Government

Tom Butcher
 Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM LP
 Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (9) PHF SM * CW
 Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY * KS
 Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM CW
 Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY RP
 Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson
 Honorary

Cliff Ennis DB
 Business IT Management

Ralph Fallin, (35) PHF SM RotY* DB
 Dairy Products

Bob Fowner, PHF SM DB
 Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RP
 Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM LP
 Attorney

Ron Grissom, SM KS
 Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM LP
 CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM DB
 Education- College

Sallie Hardy, PHF DB
 Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM RP
 Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM * RP
 Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM DB
 Retail Shopping Center

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM DB
 Commercial Lending

Laura Kirby (3) SM CW
 Business Development

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM CW
 Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM LP
 Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM KS
 Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM ** LP
 Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM DB
 Kitchens-Retail

David Macdonald PHF SM ** KS
 Shopping Center Manager

Julie McNabb, SM KS
 Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF CW
 Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (13) PHF SM LP
 Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM* CW
 Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, RP
 Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM RP
 Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, SM RP
 Communications

Rick Owen LP
 Non-Profit Management

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*
 Pastor RP

Mary Plummer, PHF LP
 Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY LP
 Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, SM LP
 Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (10) PHF SM RotY*
 Department Store KS

Charlie Potts, PHF SM* KS
 Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY* KS
 Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM CW
 News Media

John Roper DB
 Developmental Disabilities

Katie Sharon, SM KS
 Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF * DB
 Moving & Storage

Scott Smith, PHF SM* RP
 Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva CW
 Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY* LP
 Surge Suppression Systems

Steve Taylor RP
 Management Consultant

Kent Tinsley KS
 Commercial Banking

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY* LP
 Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY*
 Veterinarian KS

Alex Trum, PHF RP
 Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM DB
 Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, SM DB
 Condo Management

Charles West, (1) PHF SM* CW
 Investment Broker

Lisa Williams CW
 Utilities

Jean Woo, PHF CW
 Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF RP
 Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF ** LP
 Psychologist

Billy Bowlegs Drawdown Teams

Charles West CW

Roger Peadro RP

Debbie Bodenshtine DB

Katie Sharon KS

Lyndon Poff LP