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**January is
Vocational Service Month**

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The Rotary Reader

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

Today's Speaker: Ed Keller Eglin's Role in Hyper Sonic Weapons



Our speaker today is Ed Keller, a System Engineer and Consultant from Shalimar. He will speak to us about Hyper Sonic Weapons and Eglin AFB's role

Ed's Profile:

- Over 40 years of experience performing Research & Development as an Electrical Engineer for advanced weapon systems, setting up and running field tests and leading a team of engineers through the process from the initial development stage to transition to the SPO for full rate production.

Ed's Experience History:

- Worked for the Eglin Range contractor modifying missile defense systems and running field tests; R&D for the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL/RW), Eglin AFB, FL; Extensive field testing; Civilian AFRL/RW test pilot; National Team for AFSOC advanced development programs; Technical consultant for several DOD contractors through my own consulting business
- Transitioned from R&D into production two systems for weapon testing; Two patents granted for weapon testing; Has set up and leads a church security team and runs a church security consulting company.

Ed's Licenses & Awards:

- IFR pilot; Florida Builder contractor; Leadership in Engineering and Environmental Design (LEED); HAM License; NRA pistol instructor; Eagle Scout

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District 6940 website: www.rotary6940.org**



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

6940 Foundation Cup Challenge

From District Foundation Chair, PDG Dave Rauch:

As DG John visited your clubs, he spoke about the 1st District 6940 Foundation Cup Challenge. The goal of the Cup Challenge is to: 1. Highlight the importance of Foundation Giving, 2. Increase and sustain awareness and Foundation Giving, and 3. Recognize club giving - thus allowing Rotarians to accomplish "doing good in their communities and throughout the world". There will be a Cup for the highest per capita giving to the Annual Fund in each of 3 categories.

July – December 2018 results:

Small Clubs (1-25 Members) Top 5 Per Capita Giving

1. Emerald Coast (\$178); 2. Tallahassee Capital (\$149); 3. Lake City Downtown (\$138); 4. Chattahoochee (\$122); 5. Navarre (\$115)

Medium Clubs (26-60 Members) Top 5 Per Capita Giving

1. Tallahassee North (\$530 This is not a typo); 2. Mid-Bay (\$203); 3. Destin (\$135); 4. Madison (\$86); 5. Pensacola North (\$49)

Large Clubs (61 Members & up) Top 5 Per Capita Giving

1. **Fort Walton Beach (\$92)**; 2. Lake City (\$89); 3. Tallahassee (\$78); 4. Tallahassee Sunrise (\$72); 5. Gulf Breeze (\$47)

Congrats to all of you. We are at the mid-year point and I will provide updates each month. A few easy ways to increase giving: 1. Have members sign up for Rotary Direct 2. Recruit new Paul Harris Society Members. 3. Start the Dollar a Day club thus encouraging members to give \$365 annually. 4. Become a Paul Harris Fellow Club. Congratulations to Chattahoochee and Navarre for becoming the Districts newest PHF Clubs

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
Registration is now open! Plan to attend...you won't regret it.

2019 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

The mission of the Rotary Leadership Institute Sunshine Division is to provide an up-to-date, practical, and user-friendly educational opportunity in convenient locations for Rotarians identified as potential leaders by their club officers. Courses are given to foster leadership skills and Rotary knowledge with the intent to motivate the participant to be enthusiastic, creative and dedicated Rotarians.

Dates in District 6940 for 2019 have been announced:

February 2—Panama City

February 23—Lake City

March 23—Tallahassee

Make plans to attend.

Registration is now open on DACdb for all sessions.

Thank You, Forrest Townsend!

Thanks to Forrest Townsend for lining up some very interesting programs for January and early February. We have a few program openings in February and March. If you know of an interesting speaker, please work with President Ron to get them on the calendar.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

- 1/09 Regular Meeting Egin's Role in Hyper Sonic Weapons
- 1/12 Rotary Leadership Institute in Pensacola
- 1/16 Regular Meeting FWB Police Dogs—Tony Kelly
- 1/23 Regular Meeting Gulfarium C.A.R.E. Program—Patrick Berry
- 1/30 Regular Meeting Vaquita, Mexico's Rarest Porpoises—Forrest
- 2/02 Rotary Leadership Institute in Panama City
- 2/06 Regular Meeting Wuerfel Trophy—Tom Brassell

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.

January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays	Wedding Anniversaries	1/19 Debbie Bodensine
1/08 Sallie Hardy	1/20 John & Connie Morgan	(14)
1/25 Ben Gordon	(40)	1/24 Jean Woo (23)
1/23 Andy Corbin	Club Anniversaries	1/25 Michele Nicholson
	1/01 Alex Trum (50)	(13)
	1/13 Eulice Shelley (65)	1/28 Ben Gordon (4)
	1/18 John Roper (2 + 4)	

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.



Interesting facts from the Polio Eradication Initiative:

1. 2.5 billion children have been immunized worldwide since 2000
2. Today there are less than 40 cases per year worldwide. In 1988 there were 40 cases per hour.
3. 16 million people are walking today who would be paralyzed otherwise

Please continue to give to PolioPlus until the job is complete!

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

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 *

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

Freida Gogh

Bail Bond Provider

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, PHF SM

Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM

Office Products

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

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

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*

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 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*

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 *

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

Nov 61.1%

Dec 5 57.6%

Dec 12 60.3%

Dec 19 46.3%

Jan 2 49.1%

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

Members in purple have perfect attendance.