



The Rotary Reader

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

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Rotary Foundation: Joe Brewster

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Ron Grissom, Ross LeBlanc

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Lorrageia Jackson
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Today's Speaker—Christine “Chris” James District 6940 Membership Chair



Christine is the Southern Regional Manager for Merrick Industries, Process Industries division. She works with field representatives and directly with customers primarily in the food processing industries. Merrick offers a wide selection of weighing systems to handle a variety of dry bulk materials and applications.. Serving the belt scale and feeder industry since 1908 Merrick is the inventor of dynamic weighing and weigh feeding.

Previously Christine was Founder and Owner of ABT Media & Marketing, Inc. She sold it in December 2014. The company provided custom website development and multi-media marketing. Christine hold the certification in E-Commerce Consulting.

Christine has been in the telecommunications industry for over 15 years, including 5 years with BBN Technologies during the time they were acquired by GTE which then became Verizon. She was their Southern Regional Sales Development Manager for the GTE Internetworking division. BBN Technologies is the company that developed the Arpanet, the government contract that became the building blocks of today's internet.

Christine has a dual bachelor's degree in marketing and business management from Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL, and later attended graduate school at the University of Tampa in Technology and innovation Management.

Christine is past president of the Panama City Beach BNI, Past President of the Rotary Club of Panama City Beach, RLI Graduate and currently serves as District 6940 Membership Chair.

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**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**

**Breakout Sessions
Monday-Wed
June 12-14**

Breakout sessions are your opportunity to dig deeper into the topics that interest you. Polish your leadership skills and get inspired with new ideas for projects, fundraising, strengthening membership, and more.

**House of
Friendship**

The House of Friendship offers a unique opportunity to view service projects from around the world, celebrate Rotary accomplishments, learn about Rotary Action Groups and Rotary Fellowship groups and purchase Rotary merchandise from RI licensed vendors. One of the best experiences is meeting fellow Rotarians from nearly 200 countries around the world.
www.riconvention.org

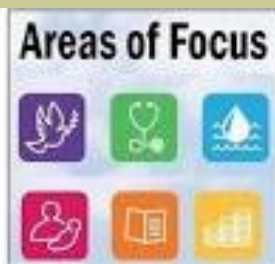
10 More Reasons to Join Rotary

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

- 1. Entertainment:** Every Rotary club and district has parties and activities that provide diversion in one's business life. Rotary holds conferences, conventions, assemblies, and institutes that provide entertainment in addition to Rotary information, education, and service.
- 2. The Development of Social Skills:** Every week and at various events and functions, Rotary develops one's personality, social skills and people skills. Rotary is for people who like people.
- 3. Family Programs:** Rotary provides one of the world's largest youth exchange programs; high school and college clubs for future Rotarians; opportunities for spouse involvement; and a host of activities designed to help family members in growth and the development of family values.
- 4. Vocational Skills:** Every Rotarian is expected to take part in the growth and development of his or her own profession or vocation, to serve on committees and to teach youth about one's job or vocation. Rotary helps to make one a better doctor, lawyer, teacher, etc.
- 5. The Development of Ethics:** Rotarians practice the 4-Way Test that governs one's ethical standards. Rotarians are expected to be ethical in business and personal relationships.
- 6. Cultural Awareness:** Around the world, practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, language, color and ethnic identity is found in Rotary. It is a cross section of the world's most prominent citizens from every background. Rotarians become aware of their cultures and learn to love and work with people everywhere. They become better citizens of their countries in the process.
- 7. Prestige:** Rotary members are prominent people; leaders of business, the professions, art government, sports, military, religion, and all disciplines. Rotary is the oldest and most prestigious service club in the world. Its ranks include executives, managers, professionals—people who make decisions and influence policy.
- 8. Nice People:** Rotarians above all are nice people—the nicest people on the face of the earth. They are important people who follow the policy of it is nice to be important but it is important to be nice.
- 9. The Absence of an Official Creed:** Rotary has no secret handshake, no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meeting or rituals. It is an open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.
- 10. The Opportunity to Serve:** Rotary is a service club. Its business is mankind. Its product is service. Rotarians provide community service to both local and international communities. This is perhaps the best reason for becoming a Rotarian: the chance to do something for somebody else and to sense the self-fulfillment that comes in the process and return that satisfaction to one's own life...richly rewarding.

Richard D King—RI President 2001-2002

The Rotary Foundation—100 Years of Doing Good in the World



The work of the Rotary Foundation is focused on:

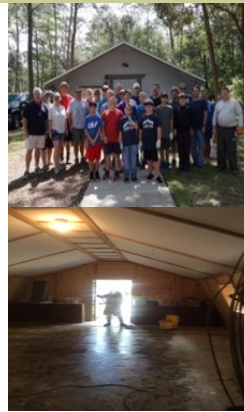
- Promoting Peace
- Fighting Disease
- Providing Clean Water
- Saving Mothers and Children
- Supporting Education
- Growing Local Economies

Rotarians at Work



Saturday, July 30 members of the FWB Rotary Club joined other adults and Boy Scouts in a Volunteer Workday at the 47-year old Boy Scout hut located next to Kenwood Elementary School. The goal was to clean the inside of the building and prepare the hut for painting and installation of flooring. Our club is donating funding and labor to help renovate the hut so more scouts can be served.

Thanks to those who volunteered!
Stay tuned for more volunteer opportunities.



Upcoming Programs and Activities

- 8/17 Regular Meeting Ed Ryan, Fort Walton Beach Police Chief
 - 8/24 Regular Meeting Mitch Mongell, CEO of FWB Medical Center
 - 8/27 Foundation Seminar Pensacola State College—register on DACdb
 - 8/31 Regular Meeting Bob Foster, Venture Hive
 - 9/14 Regular Meeting Mary Beth Jackson, Superintendent of Schools
 - 9/21 Regular Meeting DG Roger Champion's Official Visit
 - 4/6-4/9/17 District Conference Baytowne Wharf
- Club members enjoyed a fun social at the Schnitzel brew House last week. Great food and fellowship. **Thanks to Lyndon and Neil for planning the event!**

Birthdays and Anniversaries

August Birthdays	Anniversaries	Membership Anniv
Julie McNabb 8/3	Mitzi & Bear Henley 8/4	Russ Youngblood 8/3 22 yrs
Roger Peadro 8/9	Jeff & Mona Hooton 8/12	Joe Brewster 8/4 23 yrs
James Bass 8/11	Herb & Dolly Tinsley 8/14	Sallie Hardy 8/12 24 yrs
Chad Hamilton 8/17	Andy & Therese Corbin 8/18	Neal Bern 8/12 1 yr
Dan Nelson 8/23	Eulice & Wilma Shelley 8/28	Ann Boynton 8/12 1 yr
Debbie Bodenstine 8/29		Diane Poff 8/13 2 yrs
		Scott Smith 8/17 11 yrs

Club History Corner

1957—Staged a very successful Bowlegs Teen Dance. Helped settle a Hungarian refugee family. Club became 100% contributing member of RI and has exceeded that annually ever since. Began support of local hospitals with donations.

1958—1959—Reger Pryor installed as President and began saying “Pledge of Allegiance”. Lost one member over this. First annual Baseball Clinic was held using 12 major league players to help train over 400 boys. This project led directly to the formation of FWB City Recreation Department. These clinics were continued for five

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.



Rotary partners with the World

Health Organization, Unicef, the Centers for Disease Control and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in the fight to eradicate polio.

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

Jeff Dunford, SM
 Banker

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

Susan Page,
 Professional Counseling

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*
 Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF
 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

Allan Stearns, PHF SM*
 Travel Agent

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY*
 Surge Suppression Systems

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