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

**October is
Economic and Community
Development Month**

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- President:** Katie Sharon
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- Scholarship Drawdown:**
Ron Grissom, Ross LeBlanc
- Executive Secretary:**
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Today's Speaker Marcia Hull, Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation CEO



Marcia Hull has over 40 years experience specializing in public relations, marketing, special event planning and community affairs. She has extensive background in coordinating fundraising events, grant writing, public speaking, promotional consulting, group sales for the corporate and leisure travel market, business development for the consumer and commercial banking industry, real estate sales, community association and resort property management.

Marcia graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1974. She is an Honor Graduate of Patricia Stevens Career College & Finishing School majoring in Public Relations and a Graduate of Leadership Edge for Non-Profit Organizations.

Marcia has served as CEO of Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation since 1998. Previously she held positions sales, marketing and public relations with the Howard Group, AmSouth Bank, Dale E Peterson Vacations, Emerald Coast Destin Connection, Abbott Realty Services and Getty Oil Company.

Marcia has been married for 35 years to Dale Hull and resides in the "original settlement" of Crystal Beach. She has been a resident of Okaloosa County for 37 years. The Hull house includes a rescue terrier, Abby. When not working, Marcia loves to cook, spend time with family, boating, paddle boarding, travel, reading and gardening.

Marcia has always been active in the community. She was a member of the Rotary Club of South Walton and is currently a member and PR Chair for the Rotary Club of Destin. She holds membership in the Destin, Niceville, Fort Walton Beach and Walton County Chambers of Commerce, Florida Public Relations Association, Okaloosa County EDC, and Okaloosa Arts Alliance. She was an Honorary Commander for the 53d Wing at Eglin AFB in 2008-2009 and currently serves as a Mentor with the Mentoring Emerald Coast Program of the Walton County Chamber of Commerce.

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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**

“My grandfather attended the 1917 convention in Atlanta, and my father, brother and I continue his legacy as Rotarians. You know, attending a convention helps you truly appreciate the international family of Rotary. There’s so much energy and excitement from Rotarians and guests coming from around the world, sharing ideas, experiences, and inspiration. I look forward to welcoming you in person.”

**Blake McBurney
Rotary Club of Atlanta
Vice-Chair Host Organizing Committee**

**Plan now to
Attend!
For more information visit:
www.riconvention.org**

Make Plans to Attend our Next Club Social



Make plans now to attend our next club social. We'll meet at The Gulf Wednesday, October 19 from 5:00 pm—7:00 pm. The Gulf is located at 1284 Marler Ave on Okaloosa Island. The social will replace our regular lunch meeting. Hors d'oeuvres and 1 drink will be included. No additional charge for members. Cost for a guest is \$13. Please RSVP to Neal Bern (nealbern@gmail.com or 850-826-1236) by Monday, October 17.

Fighting Polio in Nigeria

Nigeria's health minister, Isaac Adewole, said on Friday that his government is determined to rid the country of polio again. New cases recently landed Nigeria back on the list of countries where the disease is endemic.

Adewole met with Rotary leaders at Rotary International World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA, to discuss Nigeria's recent efforts to stem the outbreak.

All three of the country's cases were detected in the northern state of Borno, which was under the control of Boko Haram militants until recently. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that the virus has been circulating in the region for five years.

“The new cases devastated us. Even one case is unacceptable. It's very unfortunate we are in this position, but we are recalibrating our efforts to end this disease,” Adewole said. “We consider this situation a national emergency.”

Shortly after the outbreak, the minister sent an emergency response team to Borno for an immediate and robust vaccination campaign targeting about 1 million children. More than 850,000 were immunized in the first five days of the campaign, according to Adewole. To reinforce the effort, the country is using both oral and inactivated polio vaccines.

Moreover, Nigeria established a task force to tackle other issues in Borno, including lack of clean water, sanitation, health, nutrition, and psychosocial disorder stemming from Boko Haram's occupation. “Rebuilding Borno is a national priority,” he added.

Nigeria, with the help of Rotary and its polio partners, has already begun additional large-scale immunizations aimed at reaching 60 million children by December. Rotary released \$8.5 million to support the response in high-risk areas and parts of the Lake Chad Basin. Nearby countries including Cameroun, Central African Republic, Chad, and Niger are also coordinating vaccinations to protect their polio-free status.

Together, the five countries are conducting what Adewole called a “ringed fence” immunization. Inoculations take place along the countries' borders.

“We can't do this alone. Working with the other countries is crucial to the overall polio eradication in Africa,” he added.

In 2015, after Nigeria passed more than a year without any cases detected, WHO announced that it was polio-free and removed it from the list of countries where polio is endemic. Adewole admitted that the country stopped focusing on polio after the achievement. “We started the celebration too early. But these cases have awakened us, and we are now redoubling our efforts so this doesn't happen again,” he said.

Adewole added that it will take sustained effort to be removed from the list again, including domestic and international financing, the commitment of thousands of health workers, and strategies that reach missed children. The government has allocated \$300 million for the emergency response.

“Polio eradication is about national pride and honor,” he says. “We will not let our citizens or the world down.”

Scholarship Drawdown Meeting—Today



President Katie has called a meeting to begin planning for the 2017 Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown. The meeting will be held at 1:15pm today. All club members are invited to attend. Ron Grissom and Ross LeBlanc serve as co-chairs for this important fundraiser.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

10/19	Club Social	The Gulf (1284 Marler Ave on Okaloosa Island)
10/24	World Polio Day	
10/26	Regular Meeting	Nathan Sparks, ED of EDC of Okaloosa County
11/02	Regular Meeting	Robert Strickland, Mgr of Donor Recruitment for OneBlood
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
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

September Birthdays		Anniversaries		Membership Anniv		
Eulice Shelley	10/2	10/4	Tom & Denise Hays			
Jack Arthur	10/3	10/4	John & Sherrie Linn	Herb Tinsley	10/1	45 yrs
Mitzi Henley	10/5	10/7	Katie & J.D. Sharon	Jan Pooley	10/12	21 yrs
Tony Gilligan	10/22	10/10	Ross & Brianne	Charles West	10/17	14 yrs
Russ Youngblood	10/27		LeBlanc			
Ron Grissom	10/30	10/20	Neal & Maxine Bern			

Club History Corner

1992 — Forrest Townsend installed as President. Club agreed to accept project of the downtown development agency to include a mural on the wall of Jimmy's Newsstand and total improvement of the Municipal Parking lot adjacent to it. Club hosted and exchange student from Australia and renewed involvement with the Interact Club at Choctawhatchee High School. Susan Crossland produced the first Rotary Membership-Photo book.

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.



The Polio vaccine has to be

administered at least 3 times to each child and up to 5 times in endemic areas. The fight against Polio will continue until it is eradicated.

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
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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

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

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