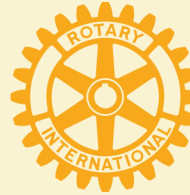




ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

The Rotary Reader



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

**November is
The Rotary Foundation
Month**

Board of Directors

- President:** Aaron Webber
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Committee Chairs

- Club Admin:** Joe Meyer
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Here
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Corbin
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Charles West
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- Scholarship Drawdown:**
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- Executive Secretary:**
Lorrageia Jackson
executivesecretary@fortwaltonrotary.org

Today's Speaker: Jerry Rush Capturing Your Family History



Jerry Rush served in the US Air Force for 20 years, retiring in 1979 as an Operations Analyst. He then earned his B.A. in Psychology from Chaminade University in Honolulu in 1981. He went on to earn his M.A. in Psychology from the University of Northern Colorado in 1983. He was in civil service as an Operations Analyst for the US Navy from 1985-1993 and in Simulation Support for the US Air Force from 1993-2005.

Since 2005 he has been fully retired and fully occupied with genealogy, community affairs, yard work, travel and volunteering with the USO.

Jerry is an active member of the Genealogical Society of Okaloosa County. His subject today is: Capturing Your Family History

His interests are in family genealogy and historical research. His focus is capturing that perishable data (stories, photos without captions, anecdotes) that disappear with passing generation.

In 15 to 20 minutes he will encourage capturing that information and give some hints on "how too."

His goal is to avoid the lament: *"I have so many questions*

And no one left to ask!"

Rotarians Assist the Veterans' Stand Down

The 10th Annual Homeless Veterans' Stand Down took place Friday, Nov 3 and several of our Rotarians were involved. Jean Woo and her staff provided dental services, Rick Owen served on the organizing committee. Dave Miller and Dan Nelson volunteered. Another 7 Rotarians donated money or items needed for this event...a value of approximately \$800. The stand down provided 150 veterans with dental and medical care, hot meals, clothing, bedding, employment services from CareerSource, services from Dept of Veteran Affairs, legal services, and more. Rotarians Making a Difference!

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District website: www.rotary690.org



RI Convention Toronto June 23-27, 2018

Registration is Open!

June 15-December 15
\$335 per person

December 16-March 31
\$410 per person

April 1—June 27
\$495 per person

Toronto is Canada's largest city, fourth largest in North America, and home to a diverse population of 2.8 million people. It's a global centre for business, finance, arts and culture and is consistently ranked one of the world's most livable cities.

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

RI President on Rotary Foundation Month

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

November is Foundation Month, and time for us to take a look at where we are in our Rotary Foundation: what it's done, what it's helping us do now, and how we can move forward.

Last Rotary year, our Foundation received US\$304 million in total contributions: that included \$140 million to the Annual Fund, \$28 million to the Endowment Fund, and \$108 million to PolioPlus. All of those gifts are now hard at work, Doing Good in the World: supporting Rotary's work today and strengthening our organization for tomorrow. The Foundation approved 494 district grants and 1,260 global grants, with a total of \$111 million in funding.

As you all know, polio eradication is the number one priority of Rotary and our Foundation. It has been a historic year for polio eradication, with unprecedented new support and fewer cases of polio than ever before. As announced at our Atlanta convention in June, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has increased its commitment to our polio eradication initiative, and will match 2:1 all Rotary contributions up to 50 million dollars, for the next three years. If Rotarians raise \$50 million per year, the Gates Foundation will match this with \$100 million: resulting in \$150 million for polio eradication in each of the three years. In total, more than one billion dollars in new funding for polio were pledged by governments and key donors in Atlanta.

It was a great lead in to the 2017-2018 Rotary year, and Rotarians have been doing an amazing job not only of raising the money to fulfill our commitment, but keeping public awareness of polio high. Our fifth annual World Polio Day, on 24 October, was a great success; our livestream event, broadcast from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation headquarters in Seattle, was our largest ever, with over 149,000 people viewing and Vice-President Dean Rohrs representing Rotary in the program. Another 3,428 World Polio Day events took place around the world. It's not too late to be a part of it; head over to the End Polio Now website to see the recorded video.

In 2016, 37 children were paralyzed by the wild poliovirus. So far in 2017, that number stands at 13. We are on our way to zero, and you can follow that journey with the updates that are published every week by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

It's important to remember that we have to keep doing everything we can do to End Polio Now, not only until the last child is paralyzed, but until eradication is certified by an independent commission. We expect that to happen at least three years from the last time wild poliovirus is found, in a child, a water supply, or anywhere else. Only then will we celebrate the end of polio—and the greatest work yet of Rotary and our Rotary Foundation.

Sincerely,
Ian Riseley
Rotary International President, 2017-2018

Paul A Netzel
Foundation Trustee Chair, 2017-2018

District 6940 Conference

Mark your calendar now for the District Conference. It will be held at the Baytowne Conference Center at the Village of Baytowne Wharf April 6-8, 2018. This year will kick off with breakout sessions on Friday afternoon followed by a BBQ, games and music on the lawn. Saturday morning will feature Rotary updates and inspirational speakers followed by a luncheon. Saturday evening features the Governor's Banquet. Sunday morning we will have a memorial service to honor our members who have passed away followed by more great speakers. Registration is scheduled to open November 15, 2017. Plan now to attend. It's a great time to learn more and meet Rotarians from around the district.

Little Free Libraries

Please continue to bring books for our Little Free Libraries to our Wednesday meetings. Books for children and adults are appropriate. Biographies, novels, cookbooks, non-fiction, inspirational, etc. are all good choices for restocking our libraries.

Upcoming Programs and Activities November is The Rotary Foundation Month

11/22	No Meeting	Thanksgiving Week
11/29	Regular Meeting	TBD
12/06	Regular Meeting	Scholarship Drawdown Kickoff
12/13	Regular Meeting	Laurie Hood, Alaqua Animal Refuge
12/20	No Regular Meeting	Club Christmas Social—Date TBD
12/27	No Meeting	Christmas/New Year
1/27	Rotary Leadership Inst	Pensacola
2/17	Rotary Leadership Inst	Panama City Beach
3/10	Rotary Leadership Inst	Tallahassee
4/6-8	District Conference	Baytowne Conference Center, Sandestin

Did You Know? You can attend a club board meeting, committee meeting or project as a make-up.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Birthdays	11/24 Matt Turpin	11/29 Kevin & Sue Ann Cagle (9)
11/08 Lyndon Poff	11/25 Jack Yeiser	
11/08 Matt Simpson	11/28 Ross Hamilton	
11/16 John Morgan	11/30 John Roper	
11/18 Rick Owen	November Anniversaries	November Club Anniversaries
11/18 Jean Woo	11/02 Mac & Debra Mac-	11/20 Mack Busbee (4)
11/19 Kent Tinsley	donald (32)	11/20 Ross Hamilton (4)
11/23 Charlie Potts	11/06 Ron & Pam Grissom (?)	

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.



At a meeting of the Group of 7 on 5-6 November, 2017 in Milan, Ministers of

Health reiterated the importance of sustaining commitment to polio eradication as part of their broader commitment to strengthen health systems. They also recognized "the importance of continuing our efforts to succeed and keep the world sustainable polio-free, and of the opportunity to leverage and transition polio assets and resources..."

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:

Lisa Williams at

lmwillia@southernco.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

CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM

Insurance

Neal Bern SM

Insurance

Debbie Bodenshtine, PHF SM RotY

Economic Development

Ann Boynton SM Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM Cable Television

Mack Busbee, SM **

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM LP

Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (10) 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

Bob Fowner, PHF SM

Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM

Attorney

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, SM

Retail Shopping Center

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

Joe Meyer, (1) RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (15) 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 (1)

Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, (1) SM

Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (11) PHF SM 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

Katie Sharon, (1) PHF SM *

Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF *

Moving & Storage

Matt Simpson

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (1)

Commercial Real Estate

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, (1) PHF SM

Condo Management

Charles West, (2) PHF SM*

Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist

Matt Zasada

CPA

Recent Meeting Attendance

Oct 4 67.8%

Oct 11 65.0%

Oct 18 55.2%

Oct 25 55.4%

October 61.4%

Nov 1 57.9%

Nov 8 55.2%

Nov to date 56.5%