



The Rotary Reader



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

October is Economic and Community Development Month

Board of Directors

- President:** Aaron Webber
- President Elect:** Ron Grissom
- Secretary:** Ross LeBlanc
- Treasurer:** Dusty Ricketts
- Past President:** Katie Sharon
- At Large:** Forrest Townsend and
Chuck Landers
- Senior Member:** Bob Fowner
- Sergeant at Arms:** Rick Owen and
John Roper

Committee Chairs

- Club Admin:** Joe Meyer
- **Programs:** Your Name Could be
Here
- **Socials:** JT Edwards
- **Bulletin:** Jan Pooley
- Public Relations:** Matt Simpson
- Membership:** Lisa Williams, Andy
Corbin
- Rotary Foundation:** Katie Sharon
- Service Projects:** Rick Owen
- Youth Services:** Ross Hamilton and
Charles West
- Scholarship Inc:** Matt Turpin
- Scholarship Drawdown:**
Ross LeBlanc, Dusty Ricketts
- Executive Secretary:**
Lorrageia Jackson
executivesecretary@fortwaltonrotary.org

Today's Program: Rotary Citation Debbie Bodenstine and Ron Grissom



Debbie joined our club in January 2005 and has been active ever since. She was named Rotarian of the Year for 2010-2011 and served as Club President 2014-2015. She is a Paul Harris Fellow +I and a Sustaining member. Debbie graduated from Florida State with a BS in Education. She has worked in Economic Development and currently assists her husband Scott Lightsey in their business, Ecco Motors.



Ron joined our club in April 2012. He served as program chair in 2012-2013. Last year he co-chaired the Scholarship Drawdown, taking it to new heights in raising funds for scholarships. Ron currently serves as President Elect and will be our club's President for 2018-2019. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and sustaining member. Ron is a big Florida Gator fan. He retired from Gulf Power as the District Customer Service Supervisor.

Debbie and Ron will share information on this year's Rotary Citation...yes, Gators and Seminoles can work together!

Our Rotary club can earn a Rotary Citation by achieving goals related to Rotary's three strategic priorities: to support and strengthen clubs, focus and increase humanitarian service, and enhance Rotary's public image and awareness. Goals include but are not limited to increasing club membership, developing sustainable service projects, giving to The Rotary Foundation and building awareness of Rotary in our community.

Earning a Rotary Citation is not a goal itself, but rather earning the citation is recognition of being a strong club that is Making a Difference in our community and the world.

The last year our club earned the citation was 2012-2013. Working together we can achieve this level of recognition again this year.

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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

2017-2018 Rotary Citation Criteria

Required Activities

- Pay the club's July 2017 and January 2018 club invoices on time
- Report volunteer hours and service project contributions in Rotary Club Central

Support and Strengthen Clubs

Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Set at least 10 goals in Rotary Club Central
- Update or develop your club's strategic plan
- Achieve a net gain in membership. Clubs with 51 or more members must have at least two more members listed in Rotary records
- Achieve a net gain in female members. Clubs with 51 or more members must gain at least two female members
- Achieve a net gain in members under 40. Clubs with 51 or more members must gain at least two members under age 40
- Engage members in activities outside regular club meetings (socials or service)
- Sponsor or co-sponsor a new Rotary club or a Rotary Community Corps
- Sponsor or co-sponsor and Interact or Rotaract club to involve young people in Rotary

Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service

Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Sponsor or have club members participate in a polio-related fundraising or awareness event
- Partner with The Rotary Foundation by sponsoring at least one project funded by a global grant or a district grant
- Carry out at least one project focused on the environment
- Collaborate with other Rotary clubs in your region to increase a project's scope/visibility
- Involve Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Community Corps members or Rotary Alumni in club projects and events
- Increase your club's total giving to The Rotary Foundation by at least 10% over 2016-2017
- Increase the number of members who give \$25 or more to any Rotary Foundation fund
- Attain a minimum Annual Fund contribution of \$100 per capita
- Use Rotary's crowdsourcing platform, Rotary Ideas, to contribute to a project or seek resources for your club's local or international projects

Enhance Rotary's Public Image and Awareness

Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Use Rotary's brand guidelines, templates and other resources in all your communications to strengthen Rotary's image.
- Regularly update your club website and social media accounts to showcase club activities and illustrate Rotary's impact both locally and throughout the world.
- Host and promote a community event to support World Polio Day and register it on endpolio.org
- Engage your community by hosting at least one networking event for local professionals, community organizations or Rotary Alumni
- Establish or continue a partnership with one or more corporate or government entities or nongovernmental organizations and work on a project together
- Host a community forum or seminar about an issue that's important in your community; highlight your club's work to bring people together to find solutions.
- Have local media cover a club project, event, or fundraiser
- Promote peace and develop future leaders by sponsoring or hosting at least one Rotary Youth Exchange student or sponsoring at least one participant in a RYLA event

Area Club Fundraisers

Walt Ruckel Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament

Thursday, October 26, 2017—Eglin Golf Course (Eagle) - Rescheduled from 9/23

11:30 am Registration and lunch

Shotgun Start

Sponsored by Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club

\$400 per team includes lunch, 18 holes of golf with cart, specialty holes and gift bag

You can also participate by sponsoring a hole (\$100) or donating a gift certificate, auction prize or small items for gift bags

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

October is Economic and Community Development Month

10/24	World Polio Day	
10/25	Regular Meeting	Coaches Dorn (FWB) and Thomas (Choctaw)
11/01	Regular Meeting	TBD
11/08	Regular Meeting	Col. Thomas Palenske, Commander, I SOW
11/15	Regular Meeting	Gerald Rush—Genealogy
11/22	No Meeting	Thanksgiving Week
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

October Birthdays	October Anniversaries	October Club Anniversaries
10/02 Eulice Shelley	10/04 Tom & Denise Hayes (34)	10/01 Herb Tinsley (46)
10/03 Jack Arthur	10/04 John & Sherrie Linn (37)	10/12 Jan Pooley (23)
10/05 Mitzi Henley	10/07 Katie & JD Sharon (11)	10/17 Charles West (16)
10/22 Tony Gilligan	10/10 Ross & Brianne LeBlanc (8)	
10/27 Russ	10/20 Neal & Maxine Bern (6)	
Youngblood		
10/30 Ron Grisson		

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 challenge in India was mind-boggling. It's hard to imagine how you would design a polio campaign that would reach every Indian child. The success of the polio eradication program in India and 90 other countries gives me confidence that we can triumph in these final challenging countries and end polio once and for all." Bill Gates

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 Bodenstine, 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

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*

Pastor

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

Lisa Williams

Utilities

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist

Matt Zasada

CPA

Recent Meeting Attendance

Month of Aug Avg: 59.2%

Sept 6 66.7%

Sept 13 55.9%

Sept 20 61.7%

Sept 27 57.4%

Month of Sept Avg: 60.8%