



The Rotary Reader

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January is Vocational Service Month

Board of Directors

- President:** Ross LeBlanc
- President Elect:** Matt Simpson
- Secretary:** John Roper
- Treasurer:**
- Past President:** Ron Grissom
- At Large:** JT Edwards & Athena Riley
- Senior Member:** Charlie Potts
- Sergeant at Arms:** Andy Corbin & Brandon Lewis

Committee Chairs

- Club Admin:**
- **Programs:** Rick Stevens & Katie Sharon
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- Public Image:**
- Membership:** Joe Meyer
- Rotary Foundation:** Gerry Chalker
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- Youth Services:** Joe Garvie
- Scholarship Inc:** Joe Meyer
- Fundraisers:** Aaron Webber
- Executive Secretary:**
Lorrageia Jackson

Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach Rotary Citation Earner 2 Consecutive Years

Today's Speaker: Kelly Jasen CEO United Way Emerald Coast



Kelly Jasen joined our community in November, becoming the first female CEO of United Way Emerald Coast. She oversees day-to-day operations for the non-profit organization and leads the effort to strengthen communities by mobilizing the caring, compassionate power of Okaloosa and Walton counties.

She has nearly 10 years' experience in the nonprofit sector. Prior to this role, she served for three years as United Way of West Florida's Director of Development in Pensacola. In that position, she led the development department to build strong relationships with companies and donors and raised more than \$6 million for United Way of West Florida and their community partners. She developed creative strategies and plans for achieving financial goals by launching several new initiatives including Women United, Emerging Leaders, and mobile giving.

She has a strong passion for making a difference in the lives of others and has been honored for her commitment to the community. In 2018, Kelly was recognized as a Rising Star by Inweekly Magazine and she was a 2019 Philanthropic Woman of the Year Nominee by Junior League of Pensacola. She is a graduate of Leadership Pensacola and has been recognized for her volunteerism with the Silver Level President's Volunteer Service Award. She holds a bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from University of Central Florida in Orlando.

She is honored to lead our local United Way and looks forward to bringing innovative and energetic leadership to the organization.

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RI Convention Honolulu June 6-10, 2020

Registration is Open!

December 16-March 31
\$550 per person

April 1—June 10
\$650 per person

People of Action from all over the world will gather to connect, celebrate, and collaborate to make a better world.

Hear from world leaders, philanthropists and other remarkable people during general sessions. Learn more about thought provoking topics at in-depth seminars, workshops and discussions.

In the House of Friendship you will visit booths that feature club and district projects, Rotary Fellowships, and Rotarian Action Groups. You can shop for Rotary merchandise, meet with Rotary staff to learn about programs and services and enjoy food and entertainment unique to Hawaii.

Consider making the commitment to attend. You will be a better Rotarian!

For More Information:
www.riconvention.org

Update from Athena Riley

Athena and her husband, Franklin, have been working hard over the past year to create legislation that will promote transparency in the midwifery industry, provide protections to Florida mothers and their children, and establish State oversight that ensures those protections remain in place. This will all serve to ultimately provide families with accurate information they need in order to make a truly informed birthing decision. They received notice this past January 10 that their bill has been finally filed in the State Capitol. While there's still a long road ahead, they know that it's a great start in the right direction!

HB 1255—Childbirth; Bill filed by State Representative Amy Mercado
Childbirth: Requires certificate for fetal death or live birth to include certain information; requires health care practitioners to submit adverse incident reports to DOH & department to investigate certain reports; provides continuing education & patient consultation requirements for certain health care practitioners; provides requirements for patient informed consent form; provides penalties.

Effective Date: July 1, 2020

First Reading on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 11:19pm

Congratulations, Andy Corbin!

Congratulations to Past President Andy Corbin who has been appointed by District Governor-Elect Jan Pooley to serve as District 6940 Treasurer for the 2020-2021 Rotary year. Andy has served our club in an outstanding manner and will bring that dedication to his new assignment. Congratulations!

Rotary Leadership Institute

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. All Rotarians are encouraged to attend! Courses are given to foster leadership skills and Rotary knowledge with the intent to motivate the participant to be enthusiastic, creative and dedicated Rotarians. Parts 1, 2 and 3 must be taken consecutively and on separate days. Graduate courses are offered for those who have completed all 3 parts.

Our club will reimburse you for the tuition after you attend the Remaining dates in District 6940 for 2020 are:

January 25—Lake City

February 8—Panama City

February 29—Tallahassee

Make plans to attend. You'll be glad you did. In the words of a 15-year Rotarian in the Destin club, "I didn't know how much I didn't know until I came to RLI" He took all 3 parts in 1 year!

Registration is now open on the DACdb calendar for all sessions.

Wildfires in Australia



From Past RI President Ian Riseley
Can I please express my great appreciation to all those friends from right around the world who have offered kindness and support to Australia as we suffer these terrible fires. It helps enormously to know that you are thinking of us. Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) has a fund supporting bushfire recovery

through which you can donate from outside Australia. Put <https://rawcs.org.au/> into your browser and follow the blue "Donate Now" button

If You Missed Last Week's Meeting

We enjoyed a mini concert from Jiji, on the acoustic guitar, and a Brass Quintet, both brought to us by the Emerald Coast Music Alliance.



Upcoming Programs and Activities

- 1/29 Regular Meeting Choctawhatchee HS Jazz Band
- 2/05 Regular Meeting Rob Calley—Board Certified Master Arborist
- 2/08 Rotary Leadership Institute Panama City (Register on DACdb)
- 2/12 Regular Meeting TBD
- 2/19 Regular Meeting Pete Shinnick—UWF Head Football Coach
- 2/26 Regular Meeting TBD
- 2/29 Rotary Leadership Institute Tallahassee (Register on DACdb)

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

- 1/08 Sallie Hardy
- 1/23 Andy Corbin
- 1/29 Ben Gordon

Wedding Anniversaries

- 1/20 John & Connie Morgan (45)

Club Anniversaries

- 1/01 Alex Trum (51)
- 1/13 Eulice Shelley (66)
- 1/18 John Roper (3 + 4)
- 1/19 Debbie Bodenshtine (15)
- 1/24 Jean Woo (24)
- 1/25 Michele Nicholson (14)
- 1/28 Ben Gordon (5)

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.



Sudan borders a number of countries facing outbreaks of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus. Population movements between these countries increase the risk of importation of polio to Sudan. The WHO and national health authorities in Sudan are scaling up efforts to reduce the risk of poliovirus transmission to the country.

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: Joe Meyer
joe@on-site-help.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. Please contact the club in advance to be sure their schedule hasn't changed. Club contact info is in DACdb

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 Broussard's—Navarre Beach

Niceville- Valparaiso: 5:30 p.m. Monday at Props Ale House in Niceville

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 RLI 1
Economic Development

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM
Cable Television

Mack Busbee, PHF SM **
County Government

Tom Butcher
Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (12) PHF MD SM * Pension Administration

Tim Chiasson SM
Attorney

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY * RLI 1
Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM
Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY
Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson
Honorary

Ken Erdberg RLI 1
Travel Services

Joe Garvie SM
Construction

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY
Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM
Attorney

Ron Grissom, (1) PHF SM RLI 3 Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM
CPA

Hancock/Whitney Bank
Stacey McGilvray, Clint Aden
Corporate Member

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 RLI 1
Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM
Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM **
Retail/Musical Instruments

Brandon Lewis
Insurance

John Linn, PHF SM
Kitchens-Retail

Kyle Lowrey
Law Enforcement

John Lysaght
Life Cycle Logistics

Moe Mentum
Staff Physicist

Joe Meyer, (1) RotY PHF SM
Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (17) PHF SM
Developmental Disabilities

Jason Monroe RLI 1
Information Technology

John Morgan, PHF SM*
Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan,
Electrical Engineer

Michelle Nicholson, PHF SM
Communications

Mary Plummer, PHF
Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY
Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, PHF SM
Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson SM
Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (13) PHF SM BS RotY* RLI 3 RLIDL Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM*
Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY*
Utility Service-Gas

Athena Riley
Attorney

John Roper, (1) PHF SM RLI 3
Developmental Disabilities

Dick Rynearson
Honorary Member

Eulice Shelley, PHF *
Moving & Storage

Matt Simpson SM
Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM*
Chiropractor

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY* RLI 3 RLIDL
Surge Suppression Systems

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY*
Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Kent Tinsley PHF
Commercial Lending

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY*
Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF
Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, PHF SM * RLI2
Condo Management

Charles West, PHF SM BS *
Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF SM
Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF
Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **
Psychologist

Matt Zasada SM
CPA

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
RLI1/2/3—Level Completed
RLI DL—RLI Discussion Leader

Members in purple have perfect attendance.