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

Today's Speaker: Coach Pete Shinnick UWF Football Head Coach



Pete Shinnick has done what many thought was impossible and turned it into a reality. Take a start-up football program and win a national championship... in just four years.

With University of West Florida's run to the programs first NCAA Division II National Championship last season, Shinnick affixed the program among the nation's best and announced UWF as a national power.

UWF established school records for wins (13), home wins (5), longest winning streak (7), and wins over ranked opponents (5). The Argonauts' run to the title was the most impressive in D2 history, defeating three number one seeds and four-consecutive undefeated teams for the first time ever.

For his efforts, Shinnick was named the National Coach of the Year for the second time in three seasons, while quarterback Austin Reed was tabbed the National Freshman of the Year after throwing for 4,089 yards and 40 touchdowns while going 13-1 as a starter.

Shinnick is now 35-17 in four seasons at UWF, which includes a 9-1 record in post-season play. He is 138-63 all-time as a college head coach spanning 18 seasons with stops at Azusa Pacific and UNC Pembroke.

After a collegiate coaching career spanning more than 25 years, Shinnick came to the University of West Florida in 2014 as the school's first football head coach. The three years that followed his hiring were some of the most progressive in the country. He assembled an extremely talented staff that includes two former college head coaches and numerous former standout college players.

Pete was born in Baltimore, Md. and graduated from high school in Columbia, Mo. He grew up in a football family, as his father Don Shinnick was a linebacker for the

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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

Coach Shinnick (con't)

Baltimore Colts in the National Football League for 13 seasons. The elder Shinnick was a driving force behind the Colts' NFL championships in 1958 and 1959. He led the league in interceptions with seven in 1959, and he still holds the career record for interceptions by a linebacker with 37. After his playing career, he saw time as an assistant coach in the NFL with the Chicago Bears, St. Louis Cardinals, Oakland Raiders and New England Patriots.

Pete and his wife, Traci, are the proud parents of four children: Anna, Rachel, Elijah and Benjamin.

Recognition and Awards

- * 2019 D2Football.com National Coach of the Year
- * 2019 Don Hansen Football Gazette National Co-Coach of the Year
- * 2019 Don Hansen Football Gazette Super Region 2 Coach of the Year
- * 2017 AFCA National Coach of the Year
- * 2017 D2Football.com National Coach of the Year
- * 2017 Don Hansen Football Gazette National Co-Coach of the Year
- * 2017 AFCA Super Region 2 Coach of the Year
- * 2017 Don Hansen Football Gazette Super Region 2 Coach of the Year

Scholarship Drawdown



The 6th Annual Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown will be held Friday, April 24. This year the event moves to a new venue...The Island on Okaloosa Island.

Our goal is to sell \$50,000 in sponsorships and tickets. By reaching this goal we will net a significant amount of funding for the Kay Stokes Memorial Scholarship (for nursing and health-related fields), the James Sutton Scholarship (for any discipline of study), and the John T Morgan III Scholarship (for those who have overcome significant obstacles). Last year our scholarship foundation, Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club Scholarship, Inc raised the amount of the awards to \$2,000. Our scholarships can be renewed annually if the students meet certain requirements and the funding is available.

Mary Plummer and Sallie Hardy will be heading up the collection of "Loser Prizes". We've had some awesome prizes in the past and want to keep that up. Ask for prizes from businesses you support and consider donating a prize from your business as well.

Tickets, brochures and sponsorship information will be available soon, but don't wait...get commitments now! We need everyone's participation to reach our goal.

Anniversaries of RI and FWB Rotary Club



Did you know? Rotary celebrated its 115th Anniversary Sunday, February 23rd. What started as 4 men meeting together in Chicago has grown into an international organization of 1.2 million members in 200 countries. Did you know? February 23rd also marked the 67th anniversary of the first meeting of the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club as a fully chartered club. The club was sponsored by the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club and had 23 charter members.

2020 District Conference



Our annual District Conference is a time for inspiration, fellowship, recognition and learning. This year's conference is scheduled for April 17-19 at the Baytowne Conference Center at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort. Registration is

open on DACdb. The \$210 registration fee covers all meals (2 dinners, 1 lunch and 2 breakfasts), general sessions and breakout sessions. Speakers will address Alzheimers Research, Human Trafficking and the I-10 Corridor, and the Opioid Crisis. 2 International Service Projects will be highlighted and a service project will take place on site. The conference will be preceded by the annual Foundation Cruise on the Solaris. Register for this event separately through Event Brite. The District Assembly (PETS 3) will take place on site Friday, 4/17 from 10am-4pm. This event is for incoming club officers and committee chairs. Plan now to go!

Upcoming Programs and Activities

2/26	Regular Meeting	Pete Shinnick—UWF Head Football Coach
3/04	Regular Meeting	Robert Bage—FWB Police Chief
3/11	Regular Meeting	Kyle Lowrey—OCSO Special Operations Unit

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.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays	Wedding Anniversaries	2/12 Rick Stevens (28)
2/10 Richard Kunkel	2/04 Tony & Gretchen Gilligan	2/14 Eric Polson (2)
2/19 Matt Zasada	(37)	2/15 Tony Gilligan (25)
2/21 Tony Leonard	2/14 John & Alicia Roper (11)	2/15 Matt Zasada (3)
2/22 Joe Brewster	Club Anniversaries	2/22 Jeff Hooton (14)
	2/01 George Dorris (42)	2/27 Athena Riley (1)

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.



I am from a generation who has witnessed the devastating effects of polio. When I discovered how close we were to eradicating polio, I was very motivated to be a part of this movement. It is so rare when you can accomplish something so spectacular.

Angelique Kidjo
Singer-Songwriter

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

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
Joe Meyer, (1) RotY PHF SM
Retail/Computers
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
Perry Winkle
Interior Designer
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.