



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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

March is Water and Sanitation 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:** 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: Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown



The 2018 Billy Bowlegs Scholarship Drawdown will be held Friday, May 25 at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds. Tickets and brochures are now available. Once again we will be dividing our membership into teams and competing for sponsorship and ticket sales. Here are the leaders for the event:

Co-Chairs—Ross LeBlanc and Dusty Ricketts

Ticket Sales—Tony Gilligan

Team Captains:

- Jessica Simpson
- Matt Simpson
- Rick Owen
- John Roper
- Gerry Chalker

See club roster on page 4 for your team assignment

Sponsors—Gerry Chalker and Matt Simpson

Signs—Aaron Webber and Rick Stevens

Registration—Debbie Bodenshine and Jean Woo

Libations—JT Edwards and Neal Bern

Set Up and Décor—Diane Poff and Richard Kunkel

“Loser Prizes” - Mary Plummer and Sallie Hardy

Printed Program—Jan Pooley

In 2017 we netted over \$40,000 for scholarships awarded through our scholarship foundation, Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club Scholarship Inc. With everyone's help we can do it again. Our community loves this event, so let's get out there NOW to secure sponsorships and sell individual tickets.

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District 6940 website: www.rotary6940.org



RI Convention Toronto June 23-27, 2018

Registration is Open!

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

Welcome Allison Foster



Allison is 15 years old from Auburndale Florida. She attends Polk Pre-collegiate Academy and is in the 10th grade. She has been participating in oratorical competitions for the last 2 years. She has won local and multiple Rotary club speech competitions in central Florida.

Allison believes her participation in Rotary's speech competitions has provided her the opportunity to step outside the classroom and become more involved with her community, while challenging herself to write and develop speeches. Allison is also an active member of national honor society and the treasurer of student government. Allison would like to thank the Fort Walton Beach Rotary for the opportunity to give her speech and hopes she can inspire other young people to make a difference. Allison is the granddaughter of Forrest and Sally Townsend.

2018-2019 Theme Announced

Rotary International President-elect Barry Rassin laid out his vision for the future of the organization on Sunday, calling on leaders to work for a sustainable future and to inspire Rotarians and the community at large.

Rassin, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas, unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us."

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Rassin stressed the power of Rotary's new vision statement, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." This describes the Rotary that leaders must help build, he said.

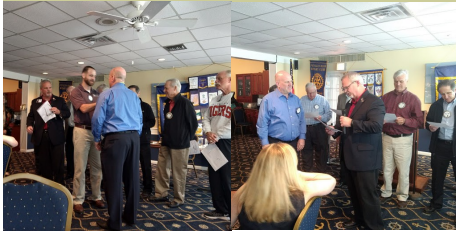
To achieve this vision, the president-elect said, Rotarians must take care of the organization: "We are a membership organization first. And if we want to be able to serve, if we want to succeed in our goals — we have to take care of our members first."

Rassin asked the incoming district governors to "inspire the club presidents, and the Rotarians in your districts, to want to change. To want to do more. To want to reach their own potential. It's your job to motivate them — and help them find their own way forward."

Million Dollar Dinner

Our District has a goal of raising One Million Dollars (over and above our regular giving) for The Rotary Foundation. Donations to this effort begin at the Major Donor Level of \$10,000. These gifts can be pledged as part of your estate planning...you won't miss it and it will do great good in the world. Won't you consider joining this effort? Those who pledge will be invited to the Million Dollar Dinner Celebration which will be held in Destin at The Henderson on May 5. For more information, please see Jan Pooley or contact PDG Dave Rauch or incoming AG Bill Lindsley.

Rick Owen Inducted Into Paul Harris Society



Congratulations to Rick Owen. Two weeks ago PDG Dave Rauch, our District 6940 Foundation Chair, was on hand to present Rick with his first Paul Harris Fellow and to induct him into the Paul Harris Society. The Paul Harris Society is open to Rotarians who pledge to donate a minimum of \$1,000 each year to The

Rotary Foundation. Thank you, Rick, for your commitment to The Rotary Foundation and for setting a great example of Service Above Self.

Charles West Named District Coordinator for Int'l Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians



Charles West was recently named District 6940 Coordinator for IFSR. His responsibilities include promoting the Fellowship, recruiting Rotarians who are or have been scouts, supporting projects by Rotarians that support scouting, raising awareness through presentations to clubs, and more. Congratulations, Charles!

Upcoming Programs and Activities March is Water and Sanitation Month

4/04	Regular Meeting	TBD
4/6-8	District Conference	Baytowne Conference Center
4/11	Regular Meeting	Brian Gwinnup, Hunting Hurricanes in 2017
4/14	Rotary Leadership Inst	Lake City
4/18	Club Social	Burrito del Sol (Tentative)
4/19-22	RYLA	Adventures Unlimited
4/25	Regular Meeting	TBD

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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

<p>March Birthdays</p> <p>3/05 Herb Tinsley</p> <p>3/11 Dave Miller</p> <p>3/13 Jan Pooley</p> <p>3/19 Jeff Hooton</p>	<p>March Anniversaries</p> <p>3/05 Gerry & Beth Chalker 30</p> <p>3/10 Joe & Kim Meyer 28</p> <p>3/21 Rick & Patti Stevens 37</p> <p>3/25 Debbie Bodensine & Scott Lightsey 18</p>	<p>March Club Anniversaries</p> <p>3/21 Mitzi Henley (11)</p>
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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.



No new Wild Poliovirus cases were reported in Afghanistan in

February 2018. 5.9 million children under the age of five were targeted during subnational immunization days across 22 provinces. Permanent transit teams successfully vaccinated 1,055,488 children against polio, whilst cross-border teams vaccinated 57,833 children. Year-to-date 2018 Afghanistan has reported 3 cases of wild poliovirus compared to 5 for the same period in 2017.

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:
 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 RO
 CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM JR
 Insurance

Neal Bern SM GC
 Insurance

Debbie Bodenshtein PHF/SM Roty
 Economic Development RO

Ann Boynton SM JS
 Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM MS
 Cable Television

Mack Busbee, SM ** JR
 County Government

Tom Butcher
 Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (10) PHF SM * GC
 Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY * MS
 Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM GC
 Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY JS
 Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson
 Honorary

Cliff Ennis RO
 Business IT Management

Bob Fowner, PHF SM JR
 Association Manager

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY GC
 Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM GC
 Attorney

Ron Grissom, PHF SM JS
 Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM RO
 CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM MS
 Education- College

Sallie Hardy, PHF JR
 Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM MS
 Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM * JS
 Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM RO
 Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM RO
 Office Products

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM JR
 Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM GC
 Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM JS
 Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM MS
 Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM ** GC
 Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM RO
 Kitchens-Retail

David Macdonald PHF SM ** JR
 Shopping Center Manager

Mack McIlhose RO
 Mass Transit

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

David O. Miller, (15) PHF SM MS
 Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM* JR
 Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, GC
 Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM GC
 Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, SM RO
 Communications

Rick Owen (1) RO
 Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF MS
 Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY JS
 Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, (1) SM JR
 Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson JS
 Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (11) PHF SM RotY* MS
 Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM* GC
 Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY* JR
 Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM JS
 News Media

John Roper, PHF JR
 Developmental Disabilities

Dick Ryneason
 Honorary Member

Katie Sharon, (1) PHF SM * JS
 Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF * RO
 Moving & Storage

Jessica Simpson JS
 Lighting Sales

Matt Simpson MS
 Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM* JR
 Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (1) MS
 Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY* RO
 Surge Suppression Systems

Steve Taylor RO
 Management Consultant

Kent Tinsley JR
 Commercial Banking

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

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY* JS
 Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF JS
 Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM GC
 Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, (1) PHF SM MS
 Condo Management

Charles West, (2) PHF SM* JS
 Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF MS
 Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF MS
 Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF ** JR
 Psychologist

Matt Zasada GC
 CPA

Recent Meeting Attendance

Mar 7 65.6%

Mar 14 58.1%

Mar 21 51.7%

Mar to date 58.5%

Drawdown Team Results

Jessica Simpson

Matt Simpson

Rick Owen

John Roper

Gerry Chalker