



BE THE INSPIRATION

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**November is The Rotary
Foundation Month**

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The Rotary Reader

Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach 2017-2018 Rotary Citation Earner

Today's Program: Sarah Robinson ShelterBox USA



Sarah Robinson is Fundraising and Partnership Director for ShelterBox USA and joins us today from her home in Albuquerque, NM where she lives with her husband Nathan. She has a love for service and finds ways to help others, as a community volunteer and through her non-profit career. Sarah is on the boards of The National Museum of Nuclear Science & History and the Rotary Club of Albuquerque Rio Grande, where she is currently serving as President.

She worked for the American Cancer Society for 12 years and was a Vice President there, prior to joining the ShelterBox team. She is here today to share with us about the incredible impact ShelterBox is having for families displaced around the globe.

ShelterBox is a global organization made up of people who believe in shelter as a human right – that shelter from the chaos of disaster and conflict is vital.

When people are plunged into crisis, normality is suspended. But good, quality shelter can cut through the chaos. This is why we provide the tools that enable people to rebuild homes and transform their lives.

We do things differently. We were born different. We started life as a small organization in the UK and have grown to make a big impact across the world. We don't follow the crowd – we've carved our own path that leads straight to the families we support.

We put families first. The commitment of our supporters enables us to provide emergency shelter and the tools for families robbed of their homes by conflict and natural disaster.

We don't believe that one size fits all. We work hard to understand the impact of each emergency and the needs this creates within individual communities. The equipment we provide, whatever shape it takes, gives people the hope and the power to transform their own lives.

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District 6940 website: www.rotary6940.org**



RI Convention Hamburg June 1-5, 2019

Registration is Open!

June 28-December 15
\$395 per person

December 16-March 31
\$495 per person

April 1—June 5
\$595 per person

Discover the unique blend of historical and contemporary culture that makes Hamburg such a distinctive place. A flourishing city with friendly people and an array of entertainment options, this beautiful port city is the perfect setting for a memorable experience.

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

Hurricane Relief Volunteer Opportunities

Below are the current needs in Panama City from Operation Blessing:

- Food service; We are currently without a chef to make the public meals between 11-2, if a couple of folks who have chef/cooking experience would be available as soon as possible that would be terrific.
- Food service; We are also in need of cooks for the December 10-20. We are currently using the help of CDR to feed volunteers but they will be leaving by the 8th of December to my knowledge.
- Work Order fulfillment; as we get more work orders we will need tarp and chainsaw teams. By this time many homeowners have done work of some kind to attempt recovery efforts. We are finding that make shift tarps are blowing off and rain is still an issue. If there are folks that can fulfill these roles that would be a blessing. We have two rotary work trailers for use especially for your crews.
- Shower trailer; We have a Rotary shower trailer that does not work but we would be glad to use it if we could get it up and running. We just have not had the man power to dedicate time to that particular shower unit at this time.

Respectfully, **Alan Motes** *Deployment Manager* **U.S. Disaster Relief & Programs Operation Blessing International**

Let President Ron know if you can fill any of these needs.

Holiday Party

Our Holiday Party will be held Wednesday, December 19 from 6pm—9pm at The Island Resort (1500 Miracle Strip Parkway SE on Okaloosa Island).

The evening will feature a buffet dinner and cash bar. Put on your party clothes and bring your spouse or significant other and come out for a night of Rotary fellowship. Please RSVP to Neal Bern at nealbern@gmail.com or 850-826-1236



Mark your calendars now for the 2019 District 6940 Conference at Baytowne Conference Center.

Join fellow Rotarians from around the district as we serve together (Socks of Love and potential hurricane relief project), learn together (great speakers and breakout sessions), celebrate together (district awards and recognition) and remember together (memorial service).

Medina's Treasure theme will carry throughout the conference. Family friendly Registration will open soon. Plan to attend...you won't regret it.

2019 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

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 identified as potential leaders by their club officers. Courses are given to foster leadership skills and Rotary knowledge with the intent to motivate the participant to be enthusiastic, creative and dedicated Rotarians.

Dates in District 6940 for 2019 have been announced: January 12—Pensacola; February 2—Panama City; February 23—Lake City; March 23—Tallahassee

Make plans to attend. **Registration is now open on DACdb for all sessions.**

Zone Leadership Institute—Norfolk, VA



It was a pleasure to represent our club at Zone. I met the other DGN class members, was introduced on stage, participated in breakout and plenary sessions, shopped for Toys for Tots (\$14.8K was raised), helped pack 100,000 meals, and had lots of pirate fun.



Ring the Bell this Christmas!

We'll be "ringing the bell" for the Salvation Army Saturday, December 8 at Santa Rosa Mall between 10am and 5pm. Shifts are: 10—11:30am, 11:30am—1pm, 1pm-2:30pm, 2:30—4pm and 4-5pm. We need 2 people per shift per kettle. Please sign up at the meeting or contact Rick Owen at rick@united-way.org.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

12/05	Regular Meeting	TBD
12/12	Regular Meeting	TBD
12/19	Holiday Party	6pm-9pm at The Island Resort on Okaloosa Island

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

November Birthdays	11/24 Matt Turpin	
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 Jean Woo	November Anniversaries	
11/18 Rick Owen	11/2 Mac & Debra Macdonald	
11/23 Charlie Potts	(33)	
	11/6 Ron & Pam Grissom (42)	

Club Anniversaries
11/01 Rudy Hill (1)
11/20 Ross Hamilton (5)
11/20 Mack Busbee (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.



In November, polio vaccination teams across

Afghanistan targeted 5.3 million children under the age of 5 in high-risk southern and eastern provinces. The vaccination campaign came on the heels of several newly reported cases. Afghanistan has 19 documented cases of wild poliovirus in 2018, as of November. Confirmation of even one polio case anywhere signals remaining vaccination coverage gaps which must be filled to achieve eradication.

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: Andy Corbin
ajc@tslinc.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. 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 American House in 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

BBVA/Compass

**Katie Sharon PHF*/Lane Redding/
Robin Donlon**

Corporate Member

Neal Bern SM

Insurance

Debbie Bodensine PHF/SM Roty

Economic Development

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM

Cable Television

Mack Busbee, PHF SM **

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (11) PHF MD SM *

Pension Administration

Tim Chiasson

Attorney

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY *

Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM

Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY

Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson

Honorary

Joe Garvie

Construction

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, PHF SM

Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM

Office Products

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM

Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM

Certified Public Accountant

Shanda Lear

Lighting Expert

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

Stacey McGilvray

Commercial Lending

Mack McElhose (1)

Mass Transit

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (16) PHF SM

Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM*

Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan,

Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, PHF SM

Communications

Rick Owen (2) PHF PHS

Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, PHF SM

Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson (1)

Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (12) PHF SM BS 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

Eulice Shelley, PHF *

Moving & Storage

Jessica Simpson

Lighting Sales

Matt Simpson

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (2)

Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY*

Surge Suppression Systems

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, (2) PHF SM *

Condo Management

Charles West, (3) PHF BS SM*

Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist

Matt Zasada

CPA

Recent Attendance

Nov 7 61.0%

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

Members in purple have perfect attendance.