

## The Rotary Reader

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

## November is Rotary Foundation Month

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#### **Board of Directors**

President: Katie Sharon

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Landers

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#### **Committee Chairs**

Club Admin: Joe Meyer

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• Bulletin: Jan Pooley

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Corbin

Rotary Foundation: Joe Brewster

Service Projects: Rick Owen

Youth Services: Ross Hamilton

Scholarship Inc: Matt Turpin Scholarship Drawdown:

Ron Grissom, Ross LeBlanc

**Executive Secretary:** 

Lorragenia Jackson

executive secretary @ fortwalton rotary.org

## Today's Speaker: Steve Duke Florida Trail Association



Steve was raised in Escambia County and joined the army at age 17. He served with a tank battalion in Germany, 4<sup>th</sup> Armored Division. Using his GI Bill, he attended college and graduated from The University of West Florida in 1974 with a master's degree in counseling. He worked as a Rehabilitation Counselor for the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation from 1974-1978. After which he joined

the claim department of Allstate Insurance Company, handling personal injury and wrongful death cases. He retired from there in 2003.

Steve joined the Florida Trail Association eight years ago. He is a trained activity leader and leads several hikes each year in our two-county section of the Florida National Scenic Trail. Steve's hobbies are photography and disc golf. Steve will be introducing many of us for the first time to the Florida National Scenic Trail (FNST). The FNST exists for the benefit of all Americans to enjoy and appreciate Florida's natural outdoor areas, to protect and preserve natural resources, and to educate the public on our natural resources in Florida.

#### **Little Free Library Ribbon Cutting**



We will cut the ribbon on our first Little Free Library immediately after today's meeting. The ribbon cutting will be held at the Fort Walton Beach Landing.

Thanks so much for your book donations for our libraries. We can still accept books, so continua to bring them in. For more information contact Project Chair Rick Owen at <a href="mailto:rick@united-way.org">rick@united-way.org</a>.

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# Celebrate The Rotary Foundation's Centennial at the RI Convention Atlanta, GA June 10-14, 2017

Current Reg \$340 Dec 16—\$415 April 1—\$490

Registration rates will change next month! Beginning December 16 the cost will be \$415, \$75 more than to-

day.
President Katie, Joe
Meyer, Jean Woo
and Jan Pooley have
taken advantage of
the reduced rates.
Over 100 of our
6940 Rotarians have
already registered.
Won't you consider
joining them in Atlanta?

Plan now to Attend!

For more information visit: www.riconvention.org

#### **Angel Tree Gifts Project**



Once again our club is partnering with Longwood Elementary to provide Christmas gifts for needy local children. Gerry will have the wish lists November 30. Gifts **should not be wrapped** and need to be brought to Rotary no later than December 14 for distribution December 16. The angel list needs to be attached to the gift (s). If there are multiple gifts for a child, please keep them together

by placing them in a large bag or tying them together. For more information contact Gerry Chalker at <a href="mailto:gchalker@tsacg.com">gchalker@tsacg.com</a>.

#### **Club Christmas Party**



We're having a Christmas Party Thursday, December 15 at Two Trees Restaurant. This will replace our 12/14 regular meeting. Cocktails (cash bar) will begin at 6pm followed by a buffet dinner. Dress is "Holiday Casual". Guests are invited. RSVP to Lorragenia

(executivesecretary@fortwaltonrotary.org) by Monday 12/12.

## Arch Klumph's Hometown Raises \$2M through Centennial Celebration

Rotary members in Cleveland, Ohio, celebrated 100 years of The Rotary Foundation on 23 October with a banquet and a concert by The Cleveland Orchestra that have so far raised more than \$2.1 million for the Foundation's next century of good work. Arch Klumph, a Cleveland Rotarian, planted the seed for The Rotary Foundation in 1917, with his idea of having an endowment fund dedicated to "doing good in the world." The banquet inducted four couples into the Arch Klumph Society for giving \$250,000 or more to the Foundation over their lifetimes.

The event was designed to educate the community about The Rotary Foundation. Videos interspersed between musical pieces highlighted Rotary's work and the fight to end polio. "We had a lot of people there who didn't know what Rotary was, and they made a great discovery. Rotary members around the world should reach out to the public this year and show them what our Foundation does."

#### **District 6940 Conference Early Registration**

The 2017 District Conference will be held April 6-9, 2017 at the Grand Sandestin. Bring your family and enjoy all this beautiful resort has to offer. Registration is open.

#### Through TODAY registration fee Is only \$125!

December I—January 15 Registration fee is \$150.

After January 15 Registration fee is \$175.

Your registration fee includes 5 meals and all sessions.

Currently Lyndon & Diane Poff and Jan Pooley are registered. Why don't you join them...register today and save some money!

To register log on to www.rotary6940.org and look for the link or go to the Calendar on DaCDB.

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#### **Rotary Leadership Institute**

RLI's purpose is to give you the necessary tools and skills to be better Rotarians. As in every endeavor, the more you know about anything, the more interesting it becomes. Rotary is most assuredly one of those areas that the more you put into it, the more you get out of it. Graduates of RLI are more likely to remain in and become a bigger part of Rotary than any other demographic. For more information: www.rlitraining.org.

#### **Upcoming Programs and Activities November is Rotary Foundation Month**

| 12/07                          | Regular Meeting        | AFPS—Fire Safety                            |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 12/14                          | No Meeting             | Social on 12/15                             |
| 12/15                          | Christmas Party        | Two Trees Restaurant                        |
| 12/21                          | No Meeting             | Merry Christmas                             |
| 12/28                          | No Meeting             | Happy New Year                              |
| 1/04                           | Regular Meeting        | Audra Ray—AMIkids Emerald Coast             |
| 1/14                           | Regular Meeting        | Allen Baggett—Building Industry Association |
| 1/25                           | Regular Meeting        | Tracy Stage—Okaloosa Co Airports Director   |
| 1/27                           | Rotary Leadership Inst | Pensacola (Levels 1, 2, 3)                  |
| 2/18                           | Rotary Leadership Inst | Panama City (Levels 1, 2, 3)                |
| 3/25                           | Rotary Leadership Inst | Tallahassee (Levels 1, 2, 3)                |
| 4/6-4/9/17 District Conference |                        | Baytowne Wharf                              |

Did You Know? You can attend a club board meeting, committee meeting or project as a make-up.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

| November Birthdays |               | Charlie Potts | 11/23                | 11/6 Ron & Pam Grissom |                  | m     |      |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------|------|
| Lyndon Poff I I/08 |               | Matt Turpin   | 11/24                | 11/29 Kevin & Sue Ann  |                  |       |      |
|                    | John Morgan   | 11/16         | Jack Yeiser          | 11/25                  | Cagle            |       |      |
|                    | Rick Owen     | 11/18         | Ross Hamilton        | 11/28                  |                  |       |      |
|                    | Jean Woo      | 11/18         | <b>Anniversaries</b> |                        | Membership Anniv |       |      |
|                    | Kent Tinsley  | 11/19         | 11/2 Dave & Debr     | a                      | Lisa Williams    | 11/18 | l yr |
|                    | Jamie Mattern | 11/20         | MacDonald            |                        | Ross Hamilton    | 11/20 | 3yrs |
|                    |               |               |                      |                        |                  |       |      |

#### **Club History Corner**

1999 — Max Tidmore was installed as Club President. The club, once again, received the presidential Citation. District Governor Wayne Edwards recognized the club for being the highest dollar donor to the Rotary Foundation for 1998-1999. The Billy Bowlegs Golf Tournament provided \$36,000 for scholarships. We also received an award for the "Outstanding Charitable Organization of 1998" from the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE), West Florida, for our rich history of philanthropy in our community and around the world.

#### 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.



Through 15, 2016 32 cases of the

wild poliovirus have been reported world-wide, all in the endemic countries (Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan). This compares to 52 cases during the same period in 2015.

## The Four-Way Test Of the things we think,

say or do:

- I) 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: Laura Kirby

LKirby@Landrumcompanies.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

**Navarre:** 12 p.m. Friday at Beach Community Bank—Navarre

Niceville- Valparaiso: 12 p.m. Thursday at Northwest Florida State College Student Services

South Walton: 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Somerby, Santa Rosa Beach

## **Rotary Roster**

Bill Alexson

Military Operations Commander

Robert Anderson, SM

CP/

Jack Arthur, PHF SM

Insurance

James Bass, SM

**Funeral Director** 

**Neal Bern SM** 

Insurance

Debbie Bodenstine, PHF SM Roty

**Economic Development** 

Ann Boynton SM

**Property Management** 

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM

Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM

County Planning

Mack Busbee, SM \*\*

County Government

**Tom Butcher** 

Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM

Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (9) 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

Ralph Fallin, (35) PHF SM RotY\*

**Dairy Products** 

**Bob Foster** 

**Business Management** 

Bob Fowner, PHF SM

**Association Manager** 

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM

Attornev

Ron Grissom, SM

Utilities

Haydon Grubbs, PHF SM

Education

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

Laura Kirby (3) SM

**Business Development** 

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM

Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM

Certified Public Accountant

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

John Linn, PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Ted Litschauer, PHF SM

**Public Safety** 

Jamey Mattern, PHF

Architect

David Macdonald PHF SM \*\*

Shopping Center Manager

Julie McNabb, SM

Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (13) 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

Non-Profit Management

Susan Page,

Professional Counseling

Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY\*

Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, SM

Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (10) PHF SM RotY\*

Department Store

Charlie Potts. PHF SM\*

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY\*

Utility Service-Gas

**Dusty Ricketts, SM** 

News Media

Katie Sharon, SM

Banking

Eulice Shelley, PHF \*

Moving & Storage

Scott Smith, PHF SM\*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva

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, SM

Condo Management

Charles West, (1) PHF SM\*

Investment Broker

Lisa Williams

Utilities

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF \*\*

**Psychologist**