



# The Rotary Reader



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

**January is  
Vocational Service Month**

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## 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:** Lisa Williams, 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 Speaker: Jody Henderson, CPA, CCIFP Consequences of the Tax Overhaul



Jody Henderson has been with Warren Averett since 1986 and is the firm's Operations Leader for the Gulf Coast. He is also a member of the firm's Audit and Consulting Divisions. Jody has more than 30 years of experience, specializing in the areas of audit and accounting services for construction contactors and real estate developers, condominium associations, defense contractors, governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations. He is proficient in income tax planning and preparation, retirement and estate planning and litigation support.

Jody earned a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting Degree from the University of West Florida.

Jody's professional affiliations include Government Finance Officers Association, Florida Government Finance Officers Association, Construction Financial Management Association, Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Jody joined the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club in 1988 and has served the club in several capacities including Club President in 2000-2001. He supports The Rotary Foundation and is a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

His other community involvement includes Past President of Northwest Florida State College District Board of Trustees, Past President of All Sports Association, Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Council of Okaloosa County.

Jody lives in Fort Walton Beach with his wife, Cheryl, and their two daughters.

## Rotary Leadership Institute—Pensacola



Saturday, January 27, 6 of our club members participated in Rotary Leadership Institute in Pensacola. Rick Owen graduated from Level 1. President Aaron, PE Ron Grissom and Treasurer Dusty Ricketts graduated from Level 2. Rick Stevens and Jan Pooley served as Discussion Leaders. RLI is open to all Rotarians who want to learn more about Rotary. See the schedule on page 3 for additional RLI classes in February and March.

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## RI Convention Toronto June 23-27, 2018

Registration is Open!

June 15-December 15  
\$335 per person

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](http://www.riconvention.org)

## Proposal for Corporate Membership

What is Corporate Membership and why is it important to our club?

Two years ago RI created an opportunity for clubs to expand membership types to provide unique avenues for membership growth. One such avenue was the establishment of Corporate Membership. While not an RI requirement, if established in the club By-Laws, clubs can take advantage of this alternate membership type. A common reason for not being able to get a prospective member past the threshold of joining our club is attendance. Many times prospective members feel that work schedules won't allow for regular attendance at weekly meetings. Corporate members, while having a primary designee, can list alternate designees from their organization to attend in their absence. The club benefits by having quality organizations join and be represented regularly at weekly meetings as well as exposing alternate designees to Rotary that may not have had that opportunity otherwise.

What does Corporate Membership look like?

- A Corporate Member shall be a reputable and established business, corporation, institution or government entity located in or near the city limits of Fort Walton Beach
- Up to four designees may be appointed to represent the organization. The primary designee must be a member of the organizations executive team.
- Corporate Members are considered a single membership and will pay full dues and fees as all members do (not one membership per designee).
- The election of a Corporate Member and each of its designees shall follow the normal procedure for electing Active Members as outlined in the club By-Laws

Our membership committee evaluated this membership option and feels our club can benefit greatly from it. Your board met last week and voted unanimously to recommend the establishment of Corporate Memberships in our club. On January 31, at our regular meeting, the motion will be brought to the club for a formal vote to amend the By-Laws with language that establishes this additional membership type. You received a copy of the proposed changes via email last week. If you need another copy or have questions, please see President Aaron or any board member.

## District 6940 Conference

The conference will be held at the Baytowne Conference Center at the Village of Baytowne Wharf April 6-8, 2018. This year will kick off with breakout sessions on Friday afternoon followed by a BBQ and games & music on the lawn. Saturday morning will feature Rotary updates and inspirational speakers followed by a luncheon with speaker and awards. Saturday evening features the Governor's Banquet. Sunday morning begins with a memorial service to honor our members who have passed away. The service will be followed by more great speakers. Plan now to attend. It's a great time to learn more and meet Rotarians from around the district. Club will reimburse \$175 for registration.

This year's event is family friendly so bring your spouse and children. Hotel room options include: studio for \$159/night; 2 BR for \$279/night; 3BR for \$359/night. See [www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org) for instructions for booking rooms and details about the conference. Registration now through 1/31 is only \$175.

## Scholarship Drawdown

Co-Chairs—Ross LeBlanc & Dusty Ricketts

Date/Location—Friday, May 25 at the Fairgrounds

Start making your lists of contacts for possible sponsors and ticket purchasers.

Brochures and tickets should be available this month!



## RYLEA—Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

RYLEA is an intensive training program for 10th graders. RYLEA attendees can expect to improve their communication skills, personal qualities, leadership ability and problem solving skills. RYLEA will take place April 19-22 at Adventures Unlimited in Milton. Our club has will sponsor a minimum of 3 students. Now is the time to recruit potential attendees. See Charles West for more details.

## New Member Proposals—2nd Publishing

Stacy McGilvray—Commercial Lending with Hancock Bank; Proposed by Tony Leonard  
 Jessica Simpson—Outside Sales with Curtis Stout Gulf Coast (lighting); Proposed by Matt Simpson  
 Eric Polson—Owner Emerald Coast Collision Repair Center; Proposed by Diane and Lyndon Poff

## Proposed Slate of Officers for 2018-2019

President—Ron Grissom  
 President Elect—Ross LeBlanc  
 Secretary—Dusty Ricketts  
 Treasurer—Matt Simpson  
 The election will take place Wednesday, January 31 at the regular club meeting.

## Upcoming Programs and Activities

2/07	Regular Meeting	Dennis Mitchell (Anthrax Terrorist Attacks)
2/14	Regular Meeting	Peter Loffler, Polio Immunization Trip to India
2/17	Rotary Leadership Inst	Panama City Beach
2/21	Regular Meeting	Carol Cartier/Pete Burrell—Rotary Friendship Exchange
2/28	Club Social	TBD
3/07	Patrick Berry	Gulfarium C.A.R.E. Program
3/10	Rotary Leadership Inst	Tallahassee
4/6-8	District Conference	Baytowne Conference Center

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.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

<b>January Birthdays</b>	<b>January Anniversaries</b>	1/18 John Roper (1)
1/08 Sallie Hardy	1/17 Jack & Florence Arthur (59)	1/19 Debbie Bodenstine (13)
1/23 Andy Corbin	1/20 John & Connie Morgan (43)	1/24 Jean Woo (22)
1/25 Ben Gordon	<b>January Club Anniversaries</b>	1/25 Michele Nicholson (12)
	1/01 Alex Trum (49)	1/28 Ben Gordon (3)
	1/13 Eulice Shelley (64)	

## 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.



Afghanistan is increasing the drive to track and understand the movement of the polio virus by expanding environmental surveillance—collecting and testing sewage samples for poliovirus in the laboratory—to all regions. At the end of 2017, a new environmental sampling site became operational in Kunduz province, becoming the 20th site since the collection and testing of sewage samples for poliovirus began in Afghanistan in 2013, with WHO support.

# 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](mailto: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**  
 CPA

**Jack Arthur, PHF SM**  
 Insurance

**Neal Bern SM**  
 Insurance

**Debbie Bodenshtine, PHF SM RotY**  
 Economic Development

**Ann Boynton SM** Property Management

**Joseph Brewster, PHF SM** Cable Television

**Mack Busbee, SM \*\***  
 County Government

**Tom Butcher**  
 Honorary Member

**Gerry Chalker, (10) 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

**Bob Fowner, PHF SM**  
 Association Manager

**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, 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

**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

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

**David O. Miller, (15) 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 (1)**  
 Non-Profit Management

**Mary Plummer, PHF**  
 Real Estate Sales

**Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY**  
 Paint & Body Shop

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

**Jan Pooley, (11) PHF SM 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

**Katie Sharon, (1) PHF SM \***  
 Banking

**Eulice Shelley, PHF \***  
 Moving & Storage

**Matt Simpson**

Insurance and Bonding

**Scott Smith, PHF SM\***

Chiropractor

**Oxana Solovieva (1)**

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, (1) PHF SM**

Condo Management

**Charles West, (2) PHF SM\***

Investment Broker

**Jean Woo, PHF**

Dentist

**Jack Yeiser, PHF**

Mortgage Broker

**Russ Youngblood PHF \*\***

Psychologist

**Matt Zasada**

CPA

## Recent Meeting Attendance

Dec 6 58.9%

Dec 13 56.1%

Dec to date 57.5%

Jan 3 54.4%

Jan 10 59.3%