



BE THE INSPIRATION

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**October is Economic and
Community Development
Month**

Board of Directors

- President:** Ron Grissom
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Lorrageia Jackson
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The Rotary Reader

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

Today's Program: Constitutional Amendments Kay Rasmussen and Mack Busbee



Kay Rasmussen, CEcD, is a National Board Certified Economic Developer. She has held various executive C-Level and program management positions. Currently serving as the Associate Director of the Economic Development Council (EDC) of Okaloosa County. She functions as the operations and financial officer for the non-profit organization. In addition, she serves as a military liaison managing the tri-county Defense Support

Initiatives Committee (DSI). Kay advocates for installations, missions, and military-community partnerships at the local, state and federal levels. Serving as the EDC's grant and program manager, Kay has facilitated over \$9 Million in local military support programs.

Kay's approach is organic and at the grassroots level. Under previous leadership roles Kay focused on superior community collaboration and provided enhanced opportunities in entrepreneurial growth, job creation and innovative community development.

Kay has been internationally published by the *International Economic Development Journal* with the publication of *A Unique Partnership Protects Defense Economy and Ecosystems: The Northwest Florida Greenway*. Kay is the proud daughter of a decorated Air Force fighter pilot and war veteran.

Kay will speak to us about the Eastern Gulf Test & Training Range and its relationship with Amendment 9.



Our second speaker is our own Mack Busbee. Mack is the Property Appraiser for Okaloosa County, elected in November 2016. Mack joined our club in November of 2013 and is a previous member and Past President of the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club. He was recently awarded the Paul Harris Fellow designation. Mack will speak to us about Amendments 1 (Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption) and 2 (Limitations of Property Tax Assessments).

Early Voting continues through Saturday from 8am-6pm daily in Shalimar. VOTE!

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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**

From DG John Medina—Recovery Update

October 29, 2018



Rotary International District 6940 Hurricane Michael Recovery Efforts

When Hurricane Michael hit the panhandle of Florida, it landed in the middle of our Rotary District. There are Rotary clubs in Port St Joe, Apalachicola, Lynn Haven, Panama City, Panama City Beach, and Mariana. This resulted in the District 6940 Disaster Team beginning efforts prior to Hurricane Michael making landfall with conference calls. The team has been busy working with the following efforts:

Update Information:

www.rotary6940.org

www.facebook.com/RotaryInternationalDistrict6940

Online Donations:

(100% of funds donated through Rotary District 6940 will be used for Hurricane Recovery—no administrative costs as we are a Service Organization)

Public Link:

www.lsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77409263&NoCaptcha

Rotarian Link:

www.Directory-online.com/Rotary/index.cfm?EventID=77409263

For those wishing a **tax donor acknowledgement**, please make **checks:**

Payable to: Rotary District 6940 Foundation

Memo Line: Hurricane Relief

Mail to: M. Tatum, District 6940 Treasurer, 268 NW Lake Jeffrey Road, Lake City, FL 32055

All donations, regardless of method, will be processed and deposited into the District 6940 Foundation account. The District Foundation Committee will assess needs and work closely with the District 6940 Disaster Recovery Team to determine need and provide support in the impacted areas.

PLEASE ENCOURAGE ANYONE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO HAS BEEN IMPACTED BY THE STORM TO REGISTER ON:

www.crisiscleanup.org

October 17 Club Social



Thanks go out to Joe Garvie and his team for hosting our October Social at Docie's Dock. We feasted on ribs, pulled pork, brats and sauerkraut and all the trimmings. We had a great time socializing and catching up with each other. Hope more join us next time!

Little Free Libraries



Our Little Free Libraries are once again in need of books. Please bring fiction or non-fiction for adults and children to any Wednesday meeting so they can be placed in the libraries. Our libraries are located at The Landing and in the Housing Authority neighborhood on Robinwood.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

10/31	Regular Meeting	Constitutional Amendments
11/07	Regular Meeting	TBD
11/14	Regular Meeting	Okaloosa Co Sheriff's Office—SRO Program
11/21	No Meeting	Happy Thanksgiving!
11/28	Regular Meeting	Sarah Robinson, Shelter Box USA

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

October Birthdays

10/02 Eulice Shelley
 10/05 Mitzi Henley
 10/22 Tony Gilligan
 10/27 Russ Youngblood
 10/30 Ron Grissom

October Anniversaries

10/04 Tom & Denise Hayes (35)
 10/04 John & Sherrie Linn (38)
 10/10 Ross & Brianne LeBlanc (9)
 10/20 Neal & Maxine Bern (6)

Club Anniversaries

10/01 Herb Tinsley (47)
 10/12 Jan Pooley (24)
 10/17 Charles West (17)

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.



New outbreaks of polio continue to be a problem in Afghanistan and, to a lesser degree, Pakistan. To date 16 new cases have been identified in Afghanistan compared to 7 for the same period in 2017. In Pakistan 6 new cases have been identified compared to 5 for the same period in 2017. These two endemic countries are the only countries in the world with documented cases of the wild poliovirus in 2018.

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

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

Bud Uronner

Appeals Specialist

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

Oct 3 61.0%

Oct 10 No Meeting

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.