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Phil Van Stavern serves as public education coordinator for LifeQuest Organ Recovery Services. He has more than 30 years in public relations, almost 25 of which have been in the organ and tissue donation field. He was the director of marketing and communications for the Oklahoma OPO for more than 20 years, and then served as its chief operating officer for three years. He was instrumental in setting up the Oklahoma donor registry, one of the most effective in the country, and in getting key legislation supporting organ and tissue donation and transplantation passed in the Oklahoma legislature. He has also served in many capacities on the national level, with the United Network for Organ Sharing, Donate Life America and the National Kidney Foundation.

Phil moved to Florida in March with his wife Barbara. They have a home in Freeport.



Benjamin Corbin of Shalimar successfully defended his doctoral dissertation at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) on August 7th. His thesis was titled "The Value Proposition of Distributed Satellite Systems for Space Science Missions". Dr. Corbin is a 2004 graduate of the NWFSC Collegiate High School and from the University of Central Florida in 2008 with a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering. He previously received M.S. degrees from MIT in Aeronautics and Astronautics and Earth and Planetary Sciences. In addition, he received certification from the International Space University in Beijing and served as Chief Engineer on the Mars Desert Research Station in Utah. He is currently in the middle of a cross-country motorcycle trip that started in Boston and has included stops at Ann Arbor, Mt. Rushmore, Colorado Springs, Las Vegas and the Grand Canyon.



RI REPRESENTATIVES TO GLOBAL ORGANIZATIONS INCREASE ROTARY'S IMPACT

Schoolchildren in Ecuador are improving their reading, and their teachers are receiving additional professional development through a collaboration between Rotary and the Organization of American States (OAS).

The effort began three years ago when Richard Carson, RI representative to the OAS, and other Rotary members met with staff at the agency to discuss a set of literacy requirements for schools. They briefed the ministers of education of Central and South American countries on an approach to improve reading skills. Ecuador adopted the plan.

“We flew to Ecuador and met with the vice president of the country, who happened to be a Rotarian, and with many different teaching professionals,” says Carson, a member of the Rotary Club of Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Maryland, USA. “It’s a very successful project involving three Rotary districts and eight clubs.”

To achieve the new academic standards, the program called for additional training for teachers, including how to incorporate new technology into the curriculum. Rachael Blair, who coordinated a global grant project for the Rotary Club of Annapolis, Maryland, USA, said she was moved by how much the teachers appreciated Rotary’s involvement.

“They could not believe that Rotary clubs would take such an interest in their professional development, especially clubs from overseas,” she says. “They reminded me that when you nurture and support others, they shine and bring their very best skills and talents to the table.”

For the past three decades, a network of RI representatives has been strengthening ties with the United Nations, its agencies, and other international organizations, like the League of Arab States and the European Union. The result is bigger projects, like the one in Ecuador.

In Lebanon, Rotary clubs have partnered with the UN’s Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to teach high school students about the UN Millennium Development Goals, the progress Arab states have made toward reaching them, and the obstacles that remain. The aim is to better educate the younger generation on how they can help achieve the goals.

Michel Jazzar, a member of the Rotary Club of Kerousan, Lebanon, and an RI representative to the UN agency, has also been instrumental in bringing Lebanon clubs together to form a National Rotary Lebanon Fund to coordinate their efforts.

RI representatives monitor activities and advocate for Rotary’s causes within most of the major international institutions. They regularly attend functions at the White House, United Nations, the Commonwealth, and European Union, and they arrange private meetings and organize special events.

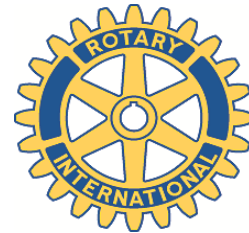
THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

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.

THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

- 1) Is it the truth?
- 2) Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Upcoming Speakers

October 28th: Internal

November 4th: Ramsey Ross - Athletic Director, NWFSC

November 11th: Jodi Gup - Nemours Children's Clinic

ROTARIANS WITH BIRTHDAYS

Tony Gilligan - October 22nd

Russ Youngblood - October 27th

Today in History

1797

The navy frigate [U.S. Constitution](#), known as "Old Ironsides," was launched in Boston Harbor.

1805

Admiral [Horatio Nelson](#) died in the [Battle of Trafalgar](#).

1837

[Seminole](#) chief [Osceola](#) was captured as he carried a white flag of truce during the Second [Seminole War](#).

1879

[Thomas Edison](#) invented a workable incandescent electric lamp.

1959

The [Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum](#) of modern and contemporary art, designed by architect [Frank Lloyd Wright](#), opened to the public in New York City.

2015 -Oct 22

Georgia Southern vs. Appalachian State
6:30 ESPNU

Rotary Roster

Bill Alexson
Military Operations Commander

Robert Anderson, SM
CPA

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Insurance

Spencer Barnes, SM
Employee Benefits

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Funeral Director

Neal Bern SM
Insurance

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Economic Development

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Property Management

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM
Cable Television

Frank Brutt, PHF SM
County Planning

Mack Busbee
County Government

Tom Butcher
Honorary Member

Kevin Cagle, SM
Office Machines

Gerry Chalker, (8) PHF SM *
Pension Administration

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY *
Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM
Dentistry

Jeff Dunford
Banker

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY
Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson
Honorary

Cliff Ennis
Business IT Management

Ralph Fallin, (34) PHF SM RotY
Dairy Products

Bob Fowner, PHF SM
Association Manager

Cindy Frakes, SM
Realtor

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM
Government Contractor

Ben Gordon
Attorney

Ron Grissom, SM
Utilities

Haydon Grubbs, PHF SM
Education

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM
CPA

Ross Hamilton
Education- College

Sallie Hardy, PHF SM
Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM
Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM *
Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, SM
Retail Shopping Center

Ken Hinrichs
Non-Profit Administration

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM
Commercial Lending

Stephanie Jones SM
Banking

Laura Kirby (2)
Business Development

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

Ted Litschauer, PHF SM
Public Safety

Jamey Mattern, PHF SM
Architect

David Macdonald PHF SM **
Shopping Center Manager

Julie McNabb, SM
Developmental Disabilities

Joe Meyer, SM
Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (13) PHF SM
Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM*
Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan, SM
Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food
Michelle Nicholson, SM

Communications
Susan Page, SM

Professional Counseling
Roger Peadro, PHF SM RotY*
Pastor

Mary Plummer, PHF SM
Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY
Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff
Paint & Body Shop

Jan Pooley, (9) PHF SM RotY*
Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM*
Jeweler

Kathy Pritchard, PHF SM
Commercial Banking

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY*
Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM
News Media

Eulice Shelley, PHF SM*
Moving & Storage

Scott Smitt, PHF SM*
Chiropractor

Whitney Smith, SM
Attorney

Allan Stearns, PHF SM*
Travel Agent

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY*
Surge Suppression Systems

Randy Stokes, PHF SM*
Architecture

Kent Tinsley, SM
Commercial Banking

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

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY*

Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF SM
Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM
Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, SM
Condo Management

Charles West, PHF SM
Investment Broker

Ken Williamson, PHF SM *
Retired

Jean Woo, PHF SM
Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF SM
Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF SM**
Psychologist

Interested in joining Rotary?

Please contact our Membership Chairs
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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.

Don't forget that you can make up missed meetings at neighboring clubs. They include: Crestview: 12 p.m. Wednesday at Ryan's
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 Bluewater Bay Golf Club
Navarre: 12 p.m. Thursday at Tuscan Grill at Hidden Creek
Niceville: 12 p.m. Thursday at Northwest Florida State College Building K
South Walton: 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Embassy Suites