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Boys and Girls Club of the Emerald Coast



For over 45 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast has been in the forefront of youth development, working with young people that need us the most. The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast has actively sought to enrich the lives of boys and girls through programming in the three priority outcome areas of Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles and Good Character & Citizenship. We are dedicated to ensuring that our community's children and teens have greater access to quality programs and services that will enhance their lives and shape their futures.

Shervin Rassa has been with the Boys & Girls Clubs movement for over 15 years. He has dedicated his life to ensuring young people have a safe place to go during out of school time with positive, caring adults. Shervin worked for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay, FL and Danville, VA before joining the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast in 2012. Shervin has had the distinct opportunity to take the organization to the next level. The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast has significantly expanded its intentional program impact and continues to serve more youth every year, the organization served **2,071** total youth in 2014 and is on track to serve more in 2015. Shervin is a proud Destin Rotarian and father of a 14 year old daughter and 10 year old son.

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MEMBER BENEFITS PROGRAM UNVEILED AS CONVENTION DRAWS TO A CLOSE

RI President-elect K.R. Ravindran introduced a member benefits program at the 9 June closing session of the 2015 Rotary International Convention, saying that many more hands are needed to continue Rotary's work around the world.

The program, [Rotary Global Rewards](#), aims to boost membership and enhance member satisfaction. It will debut on 1 July.

"This innovative new program will allow Rotary members to connect with hundreds of businesses and service providers from around the world -- and that number is growing," said Ravindran. "These establishments will offer Rotarians discounts and concessions on the everyday business that you do. And, in many cases, not only will you benefit, but our Foundation will as well, by receiving a contribution with each transaction."

The program will include discounts on car rentals, hotels, dining, and entertainment. Discounts on more products and services from companies worldwide are expected to be added throughout the year.

"It will be another way to benefit from being a Rotarian and being part of the Rotary network," said Ravindran, whose presidential theme for 2015-16 is *Be a Gift to the World*. "I urge all of you to become a part of that scheme."

HUANG BIDS FAREWELL

RI President Gary C.K. Huang joined Ravindran on stage to exchange club banners, a convention tradition that unofficially marks the changing of the guard.

The four-day convention in São Paulo attracted more than 14,500 attendees from more than 150 countries. Huang told convention goers that it was an honor to serve them as Rotary president.

"But what I value most [as president] are the conversations with Rotarians that, taken together, tell the story of Rotary," he said. "Some of their stories make me laugh. Others, which may sound simple and ordinary, deeply move me."

Huang talked about the projects he visited all over the world during his term, and how much they inspired him.

"Each time I witnessed projects, I always wondered: How many lives could we change for the better by bringing more people into Rotary?" We know great things don't happen by themselves. We have to constantly challenge ourselves and others, and push the boundaries. Sometimes, all it takes is to ask someone to join Rotary.

"Rotary has shaped and changed my life," he added. "I want to use my story to urge Rotarians to continue to welcome promising young people in your communities and to take care of those who need a little push from us. Someday, those we have helped might become a future president of Rotary International, or a successful businessperson, a mayor, or the president of a country. Within Rotary, anything is possible."

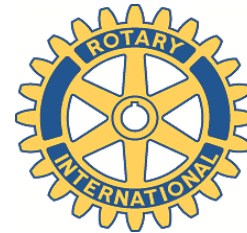
THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

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?



Proposed Members

Neal Bern, Allstate Insurance, proposed by Charles West

Ann Boyton, Newman-Dailey, proposed by Debbie Bodensine

Upcoming Speaker: August 12th– Nevin Schaffer, Patent Attorney

ROTARIANS WITH BIRTHDAYS

Julia McNabb, August 3rd

Roger Peadro, August 9th

James Bass, August 11th

Today in History

1861 - The U.S. federal government levied its first income tax. The tax was 3% of all incomes over \$800. The wartime measure was rescinded in 1872.

1998 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began not cooperating with U.N. weapons inspectors.

1999 - Mark McGwire (St. Louis Cardinals) hit his 500th career homerun. He also set a record for the fewest at-bats to hit the 500 homerun mark.

2009 - Google purchased its first public company. The company was the video software maker On2 Technologies.

2011 - Juno was launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station on a mission to Jupiter. It was the first solar-powered spacecraft to go to Jupiter.

2011 - Standard & Poor's Financial Services lowered the United States' AAA credit rating by one notch to AA-plus.

29 days until college football season.

Rotary Roster

Bill Alexson

Military Operations Commander

Robert Anderson, SM

CPA

Jack Arthur, PHF SM

Insurance

Spencer Barnes, SM

Employee Benefits

James Bass, SM

Funeral Director

Debbie Bodenshteyn, PHF SM RotY *

Economic Development

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

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

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

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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.

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Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF SM

Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM

Certified Public Accountant

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Condo Management

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Investment Broker

Ken Williamson, PHF SM *

Retired

Jean Woo, PHF SM

Dentist

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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