



Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

THE ROTARY READER

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District Governor's Gold Medal of Honor Award Winner — 2006-07
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Today's Guest Speaker: Nevin Shaffer, Patent Attorney

J. Nevin Shaffer, Jr., P.A.



John Shaffer, Jr. earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1970, and a Masters of Business Administration from the

University of Houston at Clear Lake City in 1976. He received his Juris Doctor degree from St. Mary's University and was admitted to the Texas and U.S. Patent Bars in 1980. He was admitted to the Florida Bar in 2002.

As a registered patent attorney, Nevin may practice patent law in all fifty states. Nevin is licensed to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the Texas and Florida Supreme Courts, and all lesser Texas and Florida courts. He regularly publishes articles on intellectual property law and conducts lectures and seminars on the subject at local universities, businesses and professional associations. Nevin prosecutes applications for a variety of electrical and mechanical devices, including computer software applications, semi-conductor devices, and sophisticated measuring devices. He has also successfully litigated patent, trademark, and copyright infringement actions, including presenting the winning oral argument at

the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in a patent infringement case.

Nevin also is interested in Intellectual Property law mediation. With more than twenty-four years experience, Nevin offers companies the opportunity to have their case heard by an intellectual property lawyer who understands the issues they are facing and can assist them in reaching a rational resolution of the dispute of their own design without resorting to costly and time consuming litigation.

Nevin is a member of the Texas and Florida Bar Associations and the Escambia - Santa Rosa County Bar Association. He is a past president of the Austin Intellectual Property Law Association. Nevin spent six years in the U.S. Navy as an engineering officer. His last duty was as engineering and executive officer of a patrol gunboat in which his responsibilities included the maintenance and operation of its electrical and mechanical equipment, including a J-79 jet engine. He is a retired Commander, U.S. Navy (USNR-R). Nevin and his family moved to Gulf Breeze, Florida in the summer of 2000 and he commutes regularly between Austin and his Gulf Breeze office. He is married, has two children ages 19 and 13, and has two goofy cats named Tony and Chico.

Bio information from J. Nevin Shaffer's website at www.nevinshaffer.com



APRIL 25, 2007
Welcome Rotarians and Guests!

We're glad to have you join us.

Scooter Policy: Members, If you leave prior to the completion of the program, you will be fined \$5.00 under the scooter policy. Please leave your badge on Rhonda's table if you leave early!



Upcoming Programs

- May 2 OWC Nursing Program**
Linda Whintonon
- May 9 NASA & Mars Society Project**
Ben Corbin
- May 16 Military Order of the Purple Heart**
Bill Everett

MEETING STATS – 4/18/07

ATTENDANCE: 63.81%

Visiting Rotarians:

None

Guests of Rotarians:

Guest

Steve Arrowsmith
Glenn Shelley
Steve Riggs
Mladen Rudman

Rotarian

Sallie Hardy
Eulice Shelley
Whitney Hipsh
Tom Connor

CHS Interact/Wheelettes:

DJ Murray
Dan Looney

Makeups:

Ralph Fallin - eClub
Tom Connor - Crestview
James Davis - eClub

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You can easily judge the character of others by how they treat those who can do nothing for them or to them."

Malcolm Forbes

The Forbes Book of Business Quotations
Page 132



Proposed For Membership



Second Publication

Stephen Arrowsmith, Commercial Banker with Whitney Bank, *proposed by Sallie Hardy.*



Happy April Birthday!

Gerry Chalker	11
Gregg Able	26

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?

Do You Know ... *the definition of Rotary?*

How do you describe the organization? There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of a million Rotarians. There are the features of service, internationality, fellowship, classifications of each vocation, development of goodwill and world understanding, the emphasis of high ethical standards, concern for other people, and many more.

In 1976, the Rotary International Board of Directors was interested in creating a concise definition of the fundamental aspects of Rotary. They turned to the three men who were then serving on RI's Public Relations Committee and requested that a one-

sentence definition of Rotary be prepared. After numerous drafts, the committee presented this definition, which has been used ever since in various Rotary publications:

"Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

Those 31 words are worth remembering when someone asks, "What is a Rotary club?"

ABC's of Rotary
By Cliff Dochterman
Past President of RI

THIS DAY IN HISTORY...

1990 - Seattle Mariner Ken Griffey, Jr. hits his 250th HR

1990 - Hubble space telescope is placed into orbit by shuttle Discovery

1989 - Penguin Mario Lemuix ties NHL playoff record of 4 goals in 1st period

1978 - Supreme Court rules pension plans can't require women to pay more

1956 - Elvis Presley's "Heartbreak Hotel" goes #1

1684 - Patent granted for thimble



Blood Donors & Financial Assistance Needed

We received a letter from Susan Church, Rotary District 6840 Community Services Director asking for financial assistance for a Marissa Crawford (age 15) for her and her family to help cover the costs of transportation and lodging to Gainesville Florida where Marissa will undergo life saving surgery.

Marissa lives in Fort Walton Beach and was born with an emergency c-section at 33 weeks. At age five months she was diagnosed with hydrocephalous and chromosomal defects. Marissa also has Cerebral Palsy, Scoliosis, Epileptic seizures and developmental delays. Her severe Scoliosis makes her spine look like an "S" and her curvature is at 80 degrees; which requires her to stand with both knees bent to compensate for the severe curvature.

Prior to her May 14th surgery at Shane's Hospital, Marissa needs ten blood donors – you can go to the North West Florida Blood Center on Racetrack Road – contact Gene at 850-862-4216. If you are interested in providing financial assistance contact Susan Church (Marissa's Aunt) at P.O. Box 5265, Vancleave, MS 39565 or by phone at 228-860-6925.

Last Week's Meeting: Sustainable Emerald Coast



At last week's meeting, Michelle Anchors, Chairwoman of the Committee for a Sustainable Emerald Coast talked to us about this Committee created by Governor Bush in November of last year. The Committee's responsibilities span a four county area including Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton Counties. Their objectives are to seek to preserve our heritage, enhance the emerald coast's natural resources, economic prosperity and quality of life.

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Abel, Gregg SM Telephone Answ. Svc.	Fallin, Ralph PHF *X Dairy Products	Johnson, Johnny PHFX** Banking	Ochs, Jonathan SM Banking	Simpson, Natalie SM Legislative
Abernethy, James PHF Banking - Loans	Foster, William PHF SM X Attorney	Kernen, Deborah PHF Communications	O'Dell, Shane Financial Services	Sims, Sandy SM Utilities Management
Arthur, Jack PHF Insurance	Fowner, Bob PHF Assoc. Manager	Kilpatrick, Glenn PHF* Real Estate	Pagliari, Emil PHF Restaurants - Seafood	Smith, Pete PHF * Appraiser
Baker, Karen PHF * Real Estate	Francisco, Mike PHF SM Aerospace Consulting	Landers, Chuck, PHF CPA	Parker, Desley SM Success Coach	Smith, Scott SM Chiropractor
Bennett, Nitsi PHF X * Non-profit Administration	Gilligan, Tony PHF Government Contractor	Leonard, Tony PHF** Retail/Musical Instrmnt.	Peadro, Roger SM Pastor	Stearns, Allan PHF Travel Agent
Bodenstine, Debbie SM Economic Development	Gill, Tommy SM CPA	Linn, John PHF SM Kitchens-retail	Plummer, Mary SM Real Estate Sales	Stevens, Rick PHF X Surge Suppression System
Braithwaite, David SM Banking - Commercial	Grubbs, Haydon PHF Education	Litschauer, Ted, SM Public Safety	Pooley, Jan PHF Department Store	Stokes, Randy PHF * Architecture
Brewster, Joseph PHF Cable Television	Hamilton, Chad SM CPA	Lowrey, Thomas PHF* Stockbroker	Potts, Charlie, PHF* Jeweler	Tibbetts, Alexis SM Schools
Brutt, Frank PHF County Planning	Hardy, Sallie PHF Commercial Properties	Martin, Ralph PHF Aircraft Equip. Mfg.	Pritchard, Kathy PHF Commercial Banking	Tidmore, Max PHF * Office Machines
Campbell, Wayne PHF Hospital Administration	Hayes, Tom SM Financial Services	Mattern, Jamey SM Architect	Pryor, Fred PHF * Utility Service - Gas	Tinsley, William PHF * X Savings & Loan Mgt.
Cangelosi, Edward SM Attorney	Henderson, Joseph PHF * Accounting/Auditing	McDonald, Tim PHF Manufacturing	Rahe, Theodore PHF* Property Management	Townsend, Forrest PHF* X Veterinarian
Chalker, Gerry PHF SM Trust Banking	Henley, Mitiz SM Retail Shopping	McGilvray, Stacey SM Commercial Banking	Rainer, Skip PHF Banking	Trum, Alex PHF Orthodontist <i>Retired</i>
Clark, Jason SM Insurance	Hightower, M. Cullen PHF *X Furniture - Retail	Meyer, Joseph SM Computers-retail	Raines, Joe PHF Outdoor Advertising	Unger, Joel SM Commercial Banking
Cochran, Fred PHF * SM Furniture Retail	Higley, Phil PHF X <i>Honorary</i>	Miceli, Gail SM Banking	Raynsford, Vance * SM <i>Honorary</i>	Vaughan, John PHF Past Service
Conner, Tom SM News Media	Hill, Rudy SM Office Equipment	Miceli, Philippe PHF Private Banking Exec	Richburg, James R. PHF X College Administration	Walker, Timothy SM ER Physician
Corbin, Andy PHF** Electronics Mfg	Hipsh, Larry SM Attorney	Mickle, Donna PHF SM Business Consultant	Roake, Peter PHF * Insurance - Auto	Ward, Jim SM Attorney
Curry, Jim SM** Government Management	Hipsh, Whitney SM Real Estate Attorney	Miller, David O. PHF Developmental Dsablty.	Robbins, Dave SM A/C Heating & Refrig.	Watson, Yonge PHF * Real Estate
Davis, Charles PHF SM Restaurant Owner	Hollarn, Pat SM Music Instructor	Morgan, John PHF * Computer Engineer	Robinson, William PHF Fund Raising	West, Charles PHF SM Investment Broker
Davis, James PHF * Public Utilities	Hooton, Jeff SM Commercial Lending	Negron, Jason SM Attorney	Royster, Skip PHF * Commercial Contractor	White, Darryl SM Pilot
Davis, Jessica SM Banking	Howard, William PHF Real Estate - General	Nelson, Dan PHF Restaurant - Fast Food	Shanahan, Joyce SM City Government	Williamson, Kenneth PHF * <i>Honorary</i>
Dorris, George PHF Dentistry	Hughes, Chris SM Building Industry	Nelson, Will SM Attorney	Shaw, Susan SM Fund Raising	Woo, Jean PHF Dentist
Duncan, Buddy Chaplin	Hutson, Karen T. PHF Retail Cars	Newton, Mitch PHF Video Rental	Shaw, Timothy PHF* Attorney	Yeiser, Jack PHF Mortgage Broker
Englett, Michael PHF SM College Athletics	Johnson, Chris PHF* <i>Honorary</i>	Nicholson, Michele SM Communications	Shelley, Eulice PHF * Moving & Storage	Youngblood, Russell PHF Psychology

Don't forget that you can makeup a missed meeting at a neighboring club. They include:

Crestview: Wednesday noon, Sonny's B-B-Q

DeFuniak Springs: Wednesday 7:30 a.m., McLain's Family Steak House

Mid-Bay: Wednesday 7 a.m., Bluewater Bay Golf Club

Navarre: Thursday noon, Cocodries

Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K

South Walton: Thursday 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites

Destin: Tuesday 7:15 a.m. Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

For more locations, visit our district Web site at:
www.rotary6940.org or
makeup on line at
www.rotaryclubone.org

PHF: Paul Harris Fellows
SM: PH Sustaining Members
* FWB Club Past Presidents
** Past President Other Clubs
X FWB Rotarian of the Year

As of 4/25/07

111 Members
4 Honorary Members
115 Total Members