



Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

THE ROTARY READER

Post Office Box 892
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

District Governor's Gold Medal of Honor Award Winner — 2006-07
Presidential Citation Award Winner — 14th Consecutive Year

2008-09

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Michele Nicholson

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Jeff Hooton

Today's Program: Michael Appe

YMCA Executive Director - Fort Walton Beach



Today's guest speaker is Michael Appe the Executive Director of the Fort Walton Family YMCA.

He also serves

on the corporate staff of the YMCA of Florida's Emerald Coast as Vice President of Risk Management. Michael has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Northwood Institute, Certification in Public Management from Louisiana State University and Masters in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Michael worked full time for the Louisiana National Guard for over 30 years advancing to the rank of Colonel. His military education included Officers Candidate School, U.S. Army Engineer School, U.S. Army Finance School, Command and General Staff College, and the U. S. Army War College. During his 33 year career Michael served in various staff and command positions of the State Military Department and Louisiana National Guard. He served for ten years as the

Director of the State Military Department that represented the state agency part of the Louisiana National Guard. Prior to his retirement in 2005, Michael served as Undersecretary for the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs.

In 2000 Michael formed his own business specializing in occupational wellness, fitness and safety. He was responsible for developing five wellness centers in Louisiana for active and retired military personnel and their families. After Hurricane Katrina destroyed his home and business in August of 2005, Michael relocated to Fort Walton Beach. He serves as Board Chairman of the Tropical Isle Condo Association and Board Member of the Sea Oats Condo Association. He also is a member of the Association of YMCA Professionals, Kiwanis of Fort Walton Beach, and Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Michael resides in Fort Walton Beach with his wife Christine. They have five children and five grandchildren. His hobbies include fitness and golf.





SEPTEMBER 17, 2008
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 Carole's table if you leave early!

MEETING STATS – 09/10/08

Attendance: 70.83%

Visiting Rotarians

Jerom Rajendram, Colombo West, Sri Lanka

Rotarians with Guests

None

Interact/Wheelettes

Brooke Ray	Danielle Fowler
Mykal Bailey	Riley Giadrosich

Special Guests:

District Governor Ron Richards and his wife Innes	
David Rausch	Amanda Stone

Makeup

Andy Corbin	Jim Curry
Charlie Davis	Jeff Hooton
David McCombs	Melissa Neal
Fred Pryor x 2	Ted Rahe



Happy September Birthday!

Randy Stokes	02	Frank Brutt	02
Larry Hipsh	09	Ralph Fallin	13
Sandy Sims	20	Tom Abernethy	25
Joe Raines	27	Rob Bohnsack	30
Charles West	29		



Upcoming Programs

- Sep 24 Dr. Karen Chapman
Okaloosa County Health Dept.
- Nov 26 Thanksgiving Social – *no guest speaker*
- Dec 24 Christmas – NO MEETING
- Dec 31 New Year's – NO MEETING

Ambassadorial Scholar



President Rick presents a Club Banner to Amanda Stone who is traveling to Oxford, England this year to study as District 6940's Ambassadorial Scholar.

One of the unique features of the Rotary Foundation educational awards is for the scholars to contribute to international understanding and goodwill and not necessarily to earn academic degrees, diplomas or certificates. The intent has been for Rotary scholars to promote friendly relations among people in different countries. Scholarship recipients, are expected to serve as "ambassadors of goodwill" in their host country and educational institution.

GOOD LUCK AMANDA!!!!

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?

ABCs of Rotary... Exchange of Club Banners

By Cliff Dochterman, Former RI Pres.

One of the colorful traditions of many Rotary clubs is the exchange of small banners, flags or pennants. Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at "make up" meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events. The Rotary International board recognized the growing popularity of the banner exchange back in 1959 and suggested that those clubs which participate in such exchanges give careful thought to the design of their banners in order that they be distinctive and expressive of the community and country of which the club is a part. It is recommended that banners include pictures, slogans or designs which portray the territorial area of the club. The board was also mindful of the financial burden such exchanges may impose upon some clubs, especially in popular areas where many visitors make up and request to exchange. In all

instances, clubs are cautioned to exercise discretion and moderation in the exchange of banners in order that the financial obligations do not interfere with the basic service activities of the club. Exchanging club banners is a very pleasant custom, especially when a creative and artistic banner tells an interesting story of community pride. The exchange of banners is a significant tradition of Rotary and serves as a tangible symbol of our international fellowship.



Pictured at left, President Rick exchanges club banners with Jerom Rajendram of the Colombo West Rotary Club of Sri Lanka.

Last Week's Meeting: District Governor Ron Richards



At last week's meeting District Governor Ron Richards shared with the Club his vision for FY 2008-09. Pictured above L to R: DG Ron Richards and his wife Innes Club President Rick Stevens and Assistant Governor Area 3 David Rauch.

FUTURE ROTARIANS? We Hope So!



At last week's meeting Choctaw HS Wheelettes and Interact students pose for a picture in front of the Rotary Banner. Pictured from L to R: Danielle Fowler, Riley Giardrosich, Mykal Bailey and Brooke Ray.

Abernethy, Tom PHF Banking - Loans	Foster, William PHF SM X Attorney	Linn, John PHF SM Kitchens-retail	Pritchard, Kathy PHF Commercial Banking	Tinsley, William PHF * X Savings & Loan Mgt.
Arrowsmith, Steve SM Commercial Banking	Fowner, Bob PHF Assoc. Manager	Litschauer, Ted, SM Public Safety	Pryor, Fred PHF * Utility Service - Gas	Townsend, Forrest PHF* X Veterinarian
Arthur, Jack PHF Insurance	Gilligan, Tony PHF Government Contractor	Lowrey, Thomas PHF* Stockbroker	Rahe, Theodore PHF* Property Management	Trum, Alex PHF Orthodontist <i>Retired</i>
Bennett, Nitsi PHF X * Non-profit Administration	Goodman, Jackie SM Hotel Marketing	Martin, Ralph PHF Aircraft Equip. Mfg.	Raines, Joe PHF Outdoor Advertising	Vaughan, John PHF Past Service
Bodenstine, Debbie SM Economic Development	Grubbs, Haydon PHF Education	Mattern, Jamey SM Architect	Raynsford, Vance * SM <i>Honorary</i>	Walker, Timothy SM ER Physician
Bohnsack, Rob, SM Reverend	Hamilton, Chad PHF CPA	McDonald, Tim PHF Manufacturing	Richburg, James R. PHF X College Administration	Watson, Yonge PHF * Real Estate
Brewster, Joseph PHF Cable Television	Hardy, Sallie PHF Commercial Properties	McGilvray, Stacey SM Commercial Banking	Robinson, William PHF Fund Raising	West, Charles PHF SM Investment Broker
Brutt, Frank PHF County Planning	Hayes, Tom SM Financial Services	McCombs, David SM Aerospace Prg. Mgmt.	Royster, Skip PHF * Commercial Contractor	Williamson, Kenneth PHF * <i>Honorary</i>
Campbell, Wayne PHF Hospital Administration	Henderson, Joseph PHF * Accounting/Auditing	Mead, John Attorney	Shanahan, Joyce PHF SM X City Government	Woo, Jean PHF Dentist
Chalker, Gerry PHF SM Pension Administration	Henley, Mitzi SM Retail Shopping	Meyer, Joseph SM Computers-retail	Shaw, Susan SM Fund Raising	Yeiser, Jack PHF Mortgage Broker
Clark, Jason SM Insurance	Hightower, M. Cullen PHF *X Furniture - Retail	Miceli, Gail PHF Banking	Shaw, Timothy PHF* Attorney	York, Jerry SM Auto Sales
Conner, Tom SM PHF News Media	Hipsh, Larry SM Attorney	Miceli, Philippe PHF *SM Private Banking Exec	Shelley, Eulice PHF * Moving & Storage	Youngblood, Russ PHF** Psychology
Corbin, Andy PHF**X Electronics Mfg	Hipsh, Whitney SM Real Estate Attorney	Miller, David O. PHF Developmental Dsablty.	Simpson, Natalie SM Legislative	
Curry, Jim SM** Government Management	Hooton, Jeff SM Commercial Lending	Morgan, John PHF * Computer Engineer	Sims, Sandy SM Utilities Management	
Davis, Charles PHF SM Restaurant Owner	Howard, William PHF Real Estate - General	Neal, Melissa Education	Smith, Pete PHF * Appraiser	
Davis, James PHF *SM Public Utilities	Hughes, Chris SM Building Industry	Negron, Jason SM Attorney	Smith, Scott SM Chiropractor	
Davis, Jessica SM Non-Profit Fundraising	Hutson, Karen T. PHF Retail Cars	Nelson, Dan PHF Restaurant - Fast Food	Stearns, Allan PHF Travel Agent	
Dietsch, Kevin SM Golf Course Mgmt.	Johnson, Chris PHF* <i>Honorary</i>	Nicholson, Michele SM Communications	Stevens, Rick PHF X Surge Suppression System	
Dorris, George PHF Dentistry	Johnson, Johnny PHF X** Banking	Peadro, Roger PHF Pastor	Stokes, Randy PHF * Architecture	
Duncan, Buddy SM Chaplin	Kernen, Deborah PHF Communications	Perkins, Bryant SM Youth Org. Mgmt.	Tibbetts, Alexis SM Schools	
Edwards, JT SM Landscape Mgmt.	Kleist, Carl SM Communications	Plummer, Mary PHF Real Estate Sales	Tidmore, Max PHF * Office Machines	
Englett, Michael PHF SM College Athletics	Landers, Chuck, PHF CPA	Pooley, Jan PHF Department Store	Tinsley, Mary SM Advertising Sales	
Fallin, Ralph PHF *X Dairy Products	Leonard, Tony PHF** Retail/Musical Instrmnt.	Potts, Charlie, PHF* Jeweler	Tinsley, Kent SM Commercial Banking	

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 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 09/17/08
101 Members
3 Honorary Members
104 Total Members

Members in green font have missed three or more meetings. Please give them a call and encourage them to attend a meeting.

Members in purple font have perfect attendance.

Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.