



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: Greg Donovan N.W.F. Regional Airport



Greg Donovan is the Director of Okaloosa County's three airports consisting of Northwest Florida Regional Airport, Destin/Fort Walton Airport, and Bob Sikes/Crestview Airport.

Prior to being appointed to this position in January 2008, Greg was the Assistant Airport Director at Pensacola Regional Airport for 7 years and oversaw the Airport Police Department, Operations Division, and Maintenance Division of the small-hub facility.

From 1992 to 2001 Greg was the Operations Manager at Dane County Regional Airport in Madison, Wisconsin. He has also worked for the Houston Airport System at Hobby Airport (1991), America West

Airlines corporate headquarters in Phoenix, Arizona (1991), and with the Federal Aviation Administration at Orlando International Airport (1989).

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management from Florida Institute of Technology in 1991, professional accreditation from the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) in 2004, and holds a private pilot's license.

Donovan served as President of the Wisconsin Airport Management Association (WAMA) in 2001 and graduated from Leadership Pensacola in 2003. He currently serves on the Florida Airports Council (FAC) board of directors and chairs the Northwest Region of the Continuing Florida Aviation Systems Planning Process (CFASPP).

He has been married to his wife Jennifer for 15 years and they are the proud parents of two boys – Ryan (7) and Kyle (5).



MARCH 4, 2009
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 – 02/25/09

Attendance: 67.02%

Visiting Rotarians

Dick Gillman, Rittman, OH

Larry Leese, Oakwood, OH

Rotarians with Guests
 Candy Hansard / Rick Stevens

Carol Stearns / Al Stearns

Glenn Shelley / Eulice Shelley

Joe Rollins / Gerry Chalker

Kyle Lowrey / Tom Lowrey

Lynda Potts / John Linn

Mike Jimmerson / Al Stearns

Virgil Miller / Eulice Shelley

Interact/Wheelette

Bridget Cogley, CHS

Trey Henderson, CHS

Other Guests

Mike Anderson, FWB, Mayor

Bob Mearns, FWB, Manager
 Vickie Gaetz

Makeup

Jackie Blue

Tom Conner

JT Edwards

Jeff Hooton

Gail Miceli

Joyce Shanahan

Watson Yonge



Upcoming Programs

March 11 Former Dist. Gov. Bill Lyford Rotary Foundation Fund

March 18 Roger Peadro Rotary Golf Tournament

HOST ITALY IN YOUR HOME

Don't forget...we still need volunteers to host our Group Study Exchange professionals!! They are coming April 26-May 1st..hurry up and contact Debbie Bodenshine at (850)974-4820
DON'T MISS OUT!!



EXTRA-EXTRA!!

New member proposed:
 Joe Rollins
 Pension Administration
 First Publication

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?

**Election Night: From the journals of our Ambassadorial Scholar ,Amanda Stone.
November 10,2008**

Election Night: Literally 200 people from around the world crammed into our common room, watching CNN, and eating Haribo gummy bears. It was fantastic! Such a great memory for so historic a night! I felt very proud to be American (and a Floridian). It is definitely a moment that will make it into textbooks, and I will get to tell my grandchildren I watched it all from England.

Appropriately, American Night with the Rotary Scholars was held on Friday. I helped make fried chicken, sweet potatoes, green beans, and peach cobbler (yes I cooked!), and we listened to country music - quite southern because nearly all of us are from that region. John and Gyll attended too, so I enjoyed sharing a bit of my culture with them!!

Our Sunday trip into London was postponed, but I went to an outdoor, multi-faith service around the WWI and II Memorial in Oxford, just a bit down from the college, for Remembrance Day. It was a beautiful event with moving prayers for all those affected by conflict. It's quite humbling to think of

how secure our lives are compared to most.

Now we are into Week 5 - ahhh! Lots of work to do, but I am enjoying almost all of it :) Thank you all for your prayers and thoughts.



(above: Amanda with Geoffery at the Chipping Norton Rotary Club in England)

You can keep up with her journey at www.amandainoxford.blogspot.com

Foundation awards 30,000th Matching Grant

By Peter Schmidtke

Rotary International News -- 3 March 2009

More than 20 children in India with congenital heart defects will soon benefit from the 30,000th Matching Grant awarded by The Rotary Foundation.

The Foundation approved a grant of US\$15,000 in December for the project, a collaboration between the Rotary clubs of Cochin Midtown, Kerala, India, and Sandbach, Cheshire, England. The grant will help fund surgeries to correct heart irregularities in children between the ages of three months and 18 years in southern and northern India.

The clubs have each contributed \$5,000 toward the project. Their districts, 3201 (India) and 1050 (England), have both provided \$5,000 from their District Designated Fund, for a total of \$35,000. The project is being coordinated through [Gift of Life International](#), an organization supported by Rotary clubs worldwide. It's the latest development in the ongoing efforts of the Cochin Midtown club and District 3201 to provide open-heart surgeries to 105 children from indigent families by 2010, Rotary's 105th year.

During the past two years, clubs in District 3201 have organized four other Matching Grant projects for surgeries, and have independently funded several other surgeries as well. "A child with heart disease who is born to poor parents puts an entire family of five or six persons in financial disarray," says Cochin Midtown club president V.J. John, explaining his district's decision to make the surgeries a priority. Through the [Matching Grants](#) program, the Foundation provides a dollar-for-dollar match for every [District Designated Fund contribution](#) to a project, and a 50-cent match for every dollar of additional contributions. Since 1965, the Foundation has matched contributions for international service projects in 199 countries at a cost of more than \$335 million. In 2007-08 alone, the Foundation approved \$43.8 million for 2,424 Matching Grant projects in 137 countries.



Abernethy, Tom **PHF**
Banking - Loans

Arrowsmith, Steve **SM**
Commercial Banking

Arthur, Jack **PHF**
Insurance

Bennett, Nitsi **PHF X ***
Non-profit Administration

Blue, Jackie **SM**
Hotel Marketing

Bodenstine, Debbie **SM**
Economic Development

Bohnsack, Rob, **SM**
Reverend

Brewster, Joseph **PHF**
Cable Television

Brutt, Frank **PHF**
County Planning

Campbell, Wayne **PHF**
Hospital Administration

Chalker, Gerry **PHF SM***
Pension Administration

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Insurance

Conner, Tom **SM PHF**
News Media

Corbin, Andy **PHF**X**
Electronics Mfg

Curry, Jim **SM****
Government Management

Davis, Charles **PHF SM**
Restaurant Owner

Davis, James **PHF *SM**
Public Utilities

Davis, Jessica **SM**
Non-Profit Fundraising

Dorris, George **PHF**
Dentistry

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Chaplain

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Landscape Mgmt.

Englett, Michael **PHF SM**
College Athletics

Fallin, Ralph **PHF *X**
Dairy Products

Foster, William **PHF SM X**
Attorney
Fowner, Bob **PHF**
Assoc. Manager

Gilligan, Tony **PHF**
Government Contractor

Grubbs, Haydon **PHF**
Education

Hamilton, Chad **PHF**
CPA

Hardy, Sallie **PHF**
Commercial Properties

Hayes, Tom **SM**
Financial Services

Henderson, Joseph **PHF ***
Accounting/Auditing

Henley, Mitzi **SM**
Retail Shopping

Hipsh, Larry **SM**
Attorney

Hipsh, Whitney **SM**
Real Estate Attorney

Hooton, Jeff **SM**
Commercial Lending

Howard, William **PHF**
Real Estate - General

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Retail Cars

Johnson, Chris **PHF***
Honorary

Johnson, Johnny **PHF X****
Banking

Kernen, Deborah **PHF**
Communications

Kleist, Carl **SM**
Communications

Landers, Chuck, **PHF**
CPA

Leonard, Tony **PHF****
Retail/Musical Instrmnt.

Linn, John **PHF SM**
Kitchens-retail
Litschauer, Ted, **SM**
Public Safety

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Stockbroker

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Aircraft Equip. Mfg.

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Architect

McDonald, Tim **PHF**
Manufacturing

McGilvray, Stacey **SM**
Commercial Banking

McCombs, David **SM**
Aerospace Prg. Mgmt.

Mead, John
Attorney

Meyer, Joseph **SM**
Computers-retail

Miceli, Gail **PHF**
Banking

Miceli, Philippe **PHF *SM**
Private Banking Exec

Miller, David O. **PHF**
Developmental Dsablty.

Morgan, John **PHF ***
Computer Engineer

Neal, Melissa
Education

Negron, Jason **SM**
Attorney

Nelson, Dan **PHF**
Restaurant - Fast Food

Nicholson, Michele **SM**
Communications

Peadro, Roger **PHF**
Pastor

Perkins, Bryant **SM**
Youth Org. Mgmt.

Plummer, Mary **PHF**
Real Estate Sales

Pooley, Jan **PHF**
Department Store

Potts, Charlie, **PHF***
Jeweler

Pritchard, Kathy **PHF**
Commercial Banking
Pryor, Fred **PHF ***
Utility Service - Gas

Rahe, Theodore **PHF***
Property Management

Raines, Joe **PHF**
Outdoor Advertising

Raynsford, Vance * **SM**
Honorary

Reynolds, Pam **SM**

Richburg, James R. **PHF X**
College Administration

Robinson, William **PHF**
Fund Raising

Royster, Skip **PHF ***
Commercial Contractor

Shanahan, Joyce **PHF SM X**
City Government

Shaw, Susan **SM**
Fund Raising

Shaw, Timothy **PHF***
Attorney

Shelley, Eulice **PHF ***
Moving & Storage

Simpson, Natalie **SM**
Legislative

Smith, Pete **PHF ***
Appraiser

Smith, Scott **SM**
Chiropractor

Stearns, Allan **PHF**
Travel Agent

Stevens, Rick **PHF X**
Surge Suppression System

Stokes, Randy **PHF ***
Architecture

Tibbetts, Alexis **SM**
Schools

Tidmore, Max **PHF ***
Office Machines

Tinsley, Mary **SM**
Advertising Sales

Tinsley, Kent **SM**
Commercial Banking

Tinsley, William **PHF * X**
Savings & Loan Mgt.

Townsend, Forrest **PHF* X**
Veterinarian

Trum, Alex **PHF**
Orthodontist *Retired*

Vaughan, John **PHF**
Past Service

Walker, Timothy **SM**
ER Physician

Watson, Yonge **PHF ***
Real Estate

West, Charles **PHF SM**
Investment Broker

Williamson, Kenneth **PHF ***
Honorary

Woo, Jean **PHF**
Dentist

Yeiser, Jack **PHF**
Mortgage Broker

York, Jerry **SM**
Auto Sales

Youngblood, Russ **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

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.

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

As of 03/04/09
99 Members
1 Honorary Members
100 Members

Recent Resignations:
Chris Hughes