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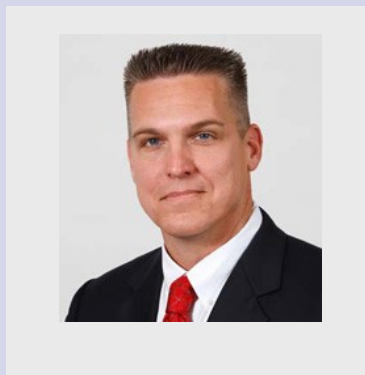
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

District Governor's Gold Medal of Honor Award Winner – 2006-07

Presidential Citation Award Winner – 15th Consecutive Year

The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

Larry Ashley Okaloosa County Sheriff



Okaloosa County Sheriff Larry Ashley was elected to office November 2, 2010 after rising through the ranks from road patrol to Chief Deputy.

He was born February 23, 1966 in Long Beach California, the son of a Navy machinist. After living in various areas around the world during childhood, he graduated from Geneva High School in Geneva Alabama and headed to the University of Southern Mississippi where he earned an undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice in 1989. He graduated from the Florida State Law Enforcement Academy at Okaloosa-Walton Community College in 1990 and the Police K-9 Patrol/Detector School in 1991 before going on to pursue and obtain a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Troy State University in 1998.

He began his law enforcement career at the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office in 1990 in the Uniformed Patrol Division. Over the next fourteen years Ashley also served in the K-9/Street Crimes Division, Investigations Division, and as Captain of Field Services. He was promoted to Major and Director of Criminal Investigations in 2004, Major and Director of Support Services Division in 2007, Major and Director of Field Services Division in 2008, Major and Director of Finance and Administration in 2009, and Chief Deputy of Sheriff's Office Operations in 2009.

During those years of service in virtually all aspects of the agency, Sheriff Ashley also continued his education and specialized training, graduating from the FBI National

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JANUARY 12, 2011
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!

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?

SHERIFF LARRY ASHLEY (Continued from Page 1)

Academy in Quantico Virginia in 2005. He attended the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Chief Executive Training as well as dozens of specialized law enforcement training courses and seminars.

Sheriff Ashley has earned numerous awards and commendations during his career, including being a nominee for Officer of the Year in 1994 and receiving the Florida Senate Medal of Excellence Award in 2009, the legislature's highest award for service to the people of Florida.

Sheriff Ashley enjoys serving the community as a youth sports coach and YMCA Board Member, Executive Board Member for the Okaloosa-Walton Homeless Coalition, and Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee at the First Baptist Church of Fort Walton Beach. He says teaching 7th and 8th grade Sunday School is his most rewarding endeavor.

He is married to the former Lanie Lee of Fort Walton Beach. They have three children enrolled in the Okaloosa County School System. He enjoys learning anything new with his children as well as Biblical studies, teaching, fishing and hunting.

His primary goals as Okaloosa County Sheriff are to maintain the agencies recently acquired Accreditation status (which ensures the OCSO is practicing optimum law enforcement standards), to consolidate communications services, utilize technology to keep citizens better informed of agency operations, and increase physical fitness standards for deputies.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Kevin O'Brien has been proposed for membership in the FWB Club by Andy Corbin. Kevin is a financial professional with New York Life in Shalimar where he lives with his wife, Nancy. He and Nancy sponsor the annual "Smokin' for the Holidays" fundraiser.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's not too early to be thinking about signing up corporate sponsors for the 48th Annual Billy Bowlegs Amateur Golf Tournament to be held on April 29-30th at the Fort Walton Municipal Golf Course. It promises to be an exciting tournament at the new venue for the first time in over 30 years. For details, talk to Roger Peadro, Tournament Chairman.

HISTORY OF THE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW PROGRAM

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of US\$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. It was established in 1957 to show appreciation for and encourage substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

Rotarians have a tradition of supporting the Foundation by honoring others. Ida LeTulle Taylor became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1978 when her husband, then-District Governor Vann Taylor, made a donation in her name in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary. The gift also made her the 25,000th Paul Harris Fellow.

At the International Assembly in 1979, then-RI President-elect James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland, USA, responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. The entertainer Pearl Bailey also became a Paul Harris Fellow through a joint effort of the Rotary clubs in Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

Early Paul Harris Fellows received a certificate of recognition. In 1969, the Foundation unveiled the first Paul Harris Fellow medallion at the RI Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Japanese metal artist Fiju Tsuda created the piece under the direction of then-past Foundation Trustee Kyozo Yuasa. Today, Paul Harris Fellows receive a certificate and pin. They are also eligible to purchase a Paul Harris Fellow medallion.

Many other notable figures have been named as Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Jonas Salk. The number of Paul Harris Fellows reached the one million mark in 2006.

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

VISITING ROTARIANS

Larry Leese, Oakwood, OH

Larry O'Dell, Three Rivers, MI

Peter Loffler, Niceville, FL

ROTARIANS WITH GUESTS

John Vaughan brought his grand-daughter, Abby Chapman

Randy Stokes brought his daughter, Jenny Petrillo

INTERACT/WHEELETTES

Wes Busby, FWBHS

Jessey Burroughs, FWBHS

MAKEUP

Rob Bohnsack Whitney Hipsh Dan Nelson Ted Rahe

Natalie Simpson Scott Smith Rick Stevens

ATTENDANCE: 75.3%

Secretary's Notes: Statements for 12-31-10 will be mailed or e-mailed by Monday, January 17, 2011

Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach Rotary Roster

Amos, Pam SM Funeral Services	Fallin, Ralph PHF SM *X Dairy Products	Leonard, Tony PHF ** Retail/Musical Instruments	Potts, Charlie PHF SM * Jeweler	Walker, Frank SM Insurance Services
Anderson, Robert SM CPA	Felts, Gary SM Retail Services	Lewis, Preston SM Minister	Pritchard, Kathy PHF SM Commercial Banking	Watson, Yonge PHF * SM Real Estate
Arias, Don SM Public Affairs	Fitzhugh, Mark Clergy	Linn, John PHF SM Kitchens-retail	Pryor, Fred PHF SM * Utility Service – Gas	Webber, Aaron SM Condo Management
Arthur, Jack PHF SM Insurance	Foster, William PHF SM * X Attorney	Litschauer, Ted SM Public Safety	Rahe, Theodore PHF SM * Property Management	West, Charles PHF Investment Broker
Bennett, Nitsi PHF X * Non-profit Administration	Fowner, Bob PHF SM Assoc. Manager	Lowrey, Thomas PHF* Stockbroker	Richburg, Bob PHF SM X College Administration	Williamson, Kenneth PHF SM * Retired
Bodenstine, Debbie SM Economic Development	Gavin, Clifton SM Attorney	Martin, Ralph PHF Aircraft Equip. Mfg.	Rollins, Joe SM Compliance Services	Woo, Jean PHF SM Dentist
Bohnsack, Rob SM Reverend	Gilligan, Tony PHF SM Government Contractor	Mattern, Jamey PHF Architect	Shaw, Susan SM Fund Raising	Yeiser, Jack PHF Mortgage Broker
Brewster, Joseph PHF Cable Television	Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM Education	McDonald, J.R. SM Aerospace Marketing	Shelley, Eulice PHF * Moving & Storage	Youngblood, Russ PHF ** SM Psychologist
Brutt, Frank PHF SM County Planning	Hamilton, Chad PHF CPA	McNabb, Julie SM Developmental Disabilities	Simpson, Natalie SM Legislative	
Butcher, Tom Honorary Member	Hardy, Sallie PHF SM Commercial Properties	Meyer, Joseph Computers-retail	Smith, Pete PHF * Appraiser	
Cagle, Kevin SM Office Machines	Hayes, Tom PHF, SM Financial Services	Miceli, Gail SM Banking	Smith, Scott SM Chiropractor	PHF: Paul Harris Fellows
Chalker, Gerry PHF SM * Pension Administration	Henderson, Joseph PHF*SM Accounting/Auditing	Miller, David O. PHF Developmental Disabilities	Spurling, Dyan SM Banking Services	SM: PH Sustaining Members
Clark, Jason SM Insurance	Henley, Mitzi SM Retail Shopping	Monroe, Jason Communications	Stearns, Allan PHF SM Travel Agent	* FWB Club Past Presidents
Conner, Tom PHF SM News Media	Hipsh, Larry SM Attorney	Morgan, John PHF * SM Computer Engineer	Stevens, Rick PHF * X SM Surge Suppression Systems	** Past President Other Clubs
Corbin, Andy PHF SM X * Electronics Mfg	Hipsh, Whitney SM Real Estate Attorney	Morgan, Matthew SM Electrical Engineer	Stokes, Randy PHF SM * Architecture	X FWB Rotarian of the Year
Curry, Jim PHF SM ** Government Management	Hooton, Jeff SM Commercial Lending	Nelson, Dan PHF SM Restaurant - Fast Food	Tibbetts, Alexis SM Schools	Members in green font have missed three or more meetings. Please give them a call and encourage them to attend a meeting.
Davis, James PHF SM * Public Utilities	Howard, William PHF Real Estate - General	Nicholson, Michele SM Communications	Tinsley, Kent SM Commercial Banking	Members in purple have perfect attendance.
Dorris, George PHF SM Dentistry	Hutson, Karen T. PHF SM Retail Cars	Peadro, Roger PHF SM Pastor	Tinsley, Herb PHF *X SM Savings & Loan Mgt.	Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.
Duncan, Buddy SM Chaplain	Johnson, Chris PHF * CPA Retired	Perkins, Bryant SM Youth Org. Mgmt.	Townsend, Forrest PHF*X SM Veterinarian	
Edwards, JT SM Landscape Mgmt.	Johnson, Johnny PHF X** SM Banking	Plummer, Mary PHF SM Real Estate Sales	Trigg, Brian SM Program Analyst	
Ekedahl, Brian SM Social Services	Kleist, Carl SM Communications	Poff, Lyndon PHF X Paint & Body Shop	Trum, Alex PHF SM Orthodontist <i>Retired</i>	
Empson, Dan Honorary	Landers, Chuck PHF CPA	Pooley, Jan PHF SM X Department Store	Vaughan, John PHF SM Past Service	

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

Crestview: Wednesday noon, Sonny's BBQ

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, Cocardries

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