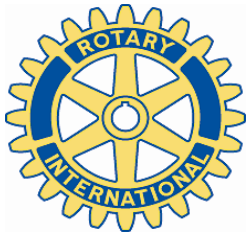


February 9, 2011



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 – 15th Consecutive Year

The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

Today's Speaker

Larry Sassano

President, EDC of Okaloosa County

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Larry Sassano is President of the EDC of Okaloosa County. He is responsible for creating and implementing a comprehensive strategic plan for business development and economic diversity for Okaloosa County and overseeing the EDC budget.

He is a Board member for Florida's Great Northwest and Economic Development Practitioner Advisory Committee member for Enterprise Florida.

He has supervised and developed State and National marketing and targeted industry programs for the Florida Department of Commerce for 13 years. He has also conducted several research studies for state and regional economies, including: *Florida's Primary Targeted Industrial Profile*; *Rural Development Concepts for Marketing your community*; and *A Financial Strategy for The Creation of Technology Workforce*.

Before his involvement in economic development, Larry owned and operated retail stores in Ohio and Florida for 12 years.

Professional Associations include: Past Executive Director for the EDC for Bay County, Florida; Past President of the 16 county Northwest Florida International Affairs Commission; Past President of the 10 county Northwest Florida Economic Development Coalition. Larry is also a member of several national, regional and state economic development organizations including the Florida Economic Development Council; Industrial Development Research Council; International Economic Development Council and Southern Economic Development Council.

Larry holds a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration from Ohio University and did Graduate Degree work at Baldwin Wallace University. He is also a graduate of the Economic Development Institute (EDI), University of Oklahoma.

FEBRUARY 9, 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?

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Rotary Leadership Institute, Parts I and II, will be held at Gulf Coast Community College on Saturday, February 19th, starting at 7:30 AM. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary for future leaders within our club or just to gain knowledge of the worldwide scope of Rotary International. Register online at the District 6940 website.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2011 R.I. International Convention will be held on May 21-25 in New Orleans. This is a golden opportunity to attend what promises to be an experience that will inspire you, inform you about Rotary on an international level, and provide you with resources and motivation to move our club forward. Plus it will be a helluva good time!

Our club is paying the registration fee of \$340 for any member wanting to attend. This does not include transportation, hotel and meals but a number of club members will be going and transportation and housing arrangements are being made. Please let President Al know if you are interested. More information can be found at the R.I. website.

Note: There will be a short meeting after lunch for anyone interested in going to the R.I. Convention.



Engineering Conversion Tables

1. *Ratio of an igloo's circumference to its diameter = Eskimo Pi*
2. *2000 pounds of Chinese soup = Won ton*
3. *1 millionth of a mouthwash = 1 microscope*
4. *Time between slipping on a peel and smacking the pavement = 1 bananosecond*
5. *Weight an evangelist carries with God = 1 billigram*
6. *Time it takes to sail 220 yards at 1 nautical mile per hour = Knotfurlong*
7. *16.5 feet in the Twilight Zone = 1 Rod Serling*
8. *Half of a large intestine = 1 semicolon*
9. *1,000,000 aches = 1 megahurtz*
10. *Basic unit of laryngitis = 1 hoarsepower*

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

VISITING ROTARIANS

Bill Erickson, Waunakee, WI Phil Willems, Waunakee, WI
Billy Egan, Milton, FL Larry Leese, Oakwood, OH

ROTARIANS WITH GUESTS

Julia McNabb brought Missy Rogers
Bryant Perkins hosted Visiting Rotarian, Billy Egan
Al Stearns brought his wife, Carol Stearns

INTERACT/WHEELETTE

Jessey Burroughs, FWB Wes Busby, FWB Erica Pegg, FWB
Chase Drake, CHS Ben Burkett, CHS

MAKEUPS

Gerry Chalker Jason Clark Jim Davies Mitzi Henley

ATTENDANCE: 67.4%

Secretary's Note: All statements have been e-mailed or mailed - Comments - Carole—Carolejones56@aol.com or 218-2018

Quote of the Day: *"I spent a lot of money on booze, women and cars. The rest I just squandered.*

- George Best, British Soccer Player

Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach Rotary Roster

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

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, Cocardies

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