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# 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 — 14<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year**

*The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach*

## Board of Directors

### **President:**

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Al Stearns

### **Secretary:**

Wayne Campbell

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#### **Club Administration:**

Jason Clarke

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Pam Reynolds

#### **Scholarship, Inc.:**

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#### **Social Committee**

Michelle Nicholson

#### **Bulletin Editor**

J.T. Edwards

## Heidi Blair



Spokane Washington where she was executive director of a child abuse and neglect prevention agency.

A firm believer in giving back to the community, Heidi is an active member of Rotary International. She currently serves on several boards with her main focus on Etta Projects board, Rotary Youth Exchange State of Florida board and is the District Co-chair for the local Rotary Youth Exchange long term program.

A graduate of Gonzaga University with a degree in organizational leadership, Ms. Blair is married to John who is the post master in Crestview Florida. They have four children.

Heidi Blair has been executive director of non-profit agencies for nearly 20 years. Her career has encompassed chamber of commerce organizations, to trade associations, to social service agencies.

Blair joined USO Pensacola as Director, serving the panhandle region, in December 2006. She moved from

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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?

## **Stats 3-31-10**

**Attendance: 67.7%**

### **Visiting Rotarian**

Larry Odell– Three Rivers Michigan

### **Guests**

Al Sterns brought Preston Lewis

### **Makeups**

Jim Davis  
Chad Hamilton  
Jeff Hooton  
Joe Meyer  
Rick Stevens



**ROTARIANS DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR  
ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER  
ON APRIL 23-24th. SIGN UP TODAY TO  
VOLUNTEER OR DONATE !**

## Rotary Identifies Long Term Needs in Haiti

Haitian children gather outside a tent in the capital city of Port-au-Prince. Providing shelter that can withstand severe weather has become a priority of recovery efforts as the hurricane season approaches. *Photo courtesy of District 4060*

Rotarians in Haiti are laying the groundwork for the next phase of the recovery process: sustainable restoration projects that will enable long-term rehabilitation to begin.

The [Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund](#), a donor advised fund set up by The Rotary Foundation, has raised US\$1.3 million to help rebuild the country's infrastructure, which was shattered by the 12 January earthquake that killed up to 300,000 people and left 1.2 million more homeless.

"We are now at the crossroads as we move from immediate relief mode to sustainable development," says Past RI Director Barry Rassin, an account holder for the fund. "What is important is that we work with the needs defined by Haiti and always keep in mind that our help should strengthen their economy and not detract from it."

District 7020, which includes Haiti, has flown more than 100 planes filled with medical equipment, food, water, clothes, toys, and tents into the cities of Pignon and Port-de-Paix. The district's own account for recovery efforts has reached \$400,000, which will be used for sustainable restoration projects.

While the Haiti Task Force overseeing recovery efforts is still formulating long-term plans, committee members have identified three areas of major need: rebuilding schools, providing prosthetic limbs to amputees, and equipping thousands with adequate shelter before the rainy season arrives.

The 17 Rotary clubs in Haiti are developing a plan to restore at least one school back to operating capacity with desks, books, supplies, and other necessities. Schools are a priority because in addition to educating children, they provide at least one meal a day and help keep the students occupied and out of tent cities.

The need for prosthetics is also great. An estimated 4,000 people have undergone amputations from earthquake-related injuries and require prosthetic limbs. District 7020 appointed a committee to coordinate with organizations interested in helping to provide prosthetics. The district is looking to set up three clinics at an estimated \$50,000 each.




With the hurricane season approaching, district leaders have also appointed a committee to investigate appropriate ways to provide shelter that can withstand storms and earthquakes. The district has considered creating villages that would have all the necessary infrastructure, including water, sanitation facilities, and a clinic, school, and community center.

District leaders say they will provide more information to clubs and districts about how they can work with the donor advised fund as soon as specific details of the recovery plan are approved by the Haiti Task Force and cleared with the Haitian government. Those interested in applying for a grant from the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund should complete a grant application form, which will be available on the [District 7020 website](#).

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# Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach Rotary Roster

|                                |                                 |                                 |                                 |   |                               |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Arthur, Jack <b>PHF SM</b>     | Duncan, Buddy <b>SM</b>         | Kleist, Carl <b>SM</b>          | Perkins, Bryant <b>SM</b>       | Stokes, Randy <b>PHF *SM</b>  | Youngblood, Russ <b>PHF**</b> |
| Insurance                      | Chaplain                        | Communications                  | Youth Org. Mgmt.                | Architecture  | Psychology <b>SM</b>          |
| Anderson, Robert               | Edwards, JT <b>SM</b>           | Landers, Chuck, <b>PHF SM</b>   | Plummer, Mary <b>PHF SM</b>     | Tibbetts, Alexis <b>SM</b>  |                               |
| CPA                            | Landscape Mgmt.                 | CPA                             | Real Estate Sales               | Schools   |                               |
| Bennett, Nitsi <b>PHF X *</b>  | Fallin, Ralph <b>PHF *X SM</b>  | Leonard, Tony <b>PHF**</b>      | Poff, Lyndon                    | Tinsley, Kent <b>SM</b>   |                               |
| Non-profit Administration      | Dairy Products                  | Retail/Musical Instrmnt.        | Auto Collision Services         | Commercial Banking  |                               |
| Binnicker, Jim                 | Foster, William <b>PHF SM X</b> | Linn, John <b>PHF SM</b>        | Pooley, Jan <b>PHF SM X</b>     | Tinsley, William <b>PHF * X SM</b>  | Savings & Loan Mgt.           |
| Retirement Home Serv.          | Attorney                        | Kitchens-retail                 | Department Store                | Townsend, Forrest <b>PHF* X SM</b>  | Veterinarian <b>SM</b>        |
| Bodenstine, Debbie <b>SM</b>   | Fowner, Bob <b>PHF SM</b>       | Litschauer, Ted, <b>SM</b>      | Potts, Charlie, <b>PHF*SM</b>   | Trum, Alex <b>PHF SM</b>  |                               |
| Economic Development           | Assoc. Manager                  | Public Safety                   | Jeweler                         | Orthodontist <i>Retired</i>   |                               |
| Bohnsack, Rob, <b>SM</b>       | Gilligan, Tony <b>PHF SM</b>    | Lowrey, Thomas <b>PHF*</b>      | Pritchard, Kathy <b>PHF SM</b>  | Vaughan, John <b>PHF SM</b>   |                               |
| Reverend                       | Government Contractor           | Stockbroker                     | Commercial Banking              | Past Service  |                               |
| Brewster, Joseph <b>PHF SM</b> | Education                       | Martin, Ralph <b>PHF</b>        | Pryor, Fred <b>PHF *SM</b>      | Frank Walker <b>SM</b>  |                               |
| Cable Television               | Hamilton, Chad <b>PHF SM</b>    | Aircraft Equip. Mfg.            | Utility Service - Gas           | Insurance Services  |                               |
| Brutt, Frank <b>PHF SM</b>     | CPA                             | Mattern, Jamey <b>SM</b>        | Rahe, Theodore <b>PHF*SM</b>    | Watson, Yonge <b>PHF *SM</b>  |                               |
| County Planning                | Hardy, Sallie <b>PHF SM</b>     | Architect                       | Property Management             | Real Estate   |                               |
| Butcher, Thomas                | Commercial Properties           | McDonald, Tim <b>PHF SM</b>     | Reynolds, Pam <b>SM</b>         | Webber, Aaron   |                               |
| Honary Mem                     | Hayes, Tom <b>PHF SM</b>        | Manufacturing                   | Funeral Services                | Association Manager   |                               |
| Cagle, Kevin <b>SM</b>         | Financial Services              | McGilvray, Stacey <b>SM</b>     | Richburg, James <b>PHF X SM</b> |   |                               |
| Office Equipment               | Henderson, Joseph <b>PHF*SM</b> | Commercial Banking              | College Administration          | West, Charles <b>PHF SM</b>   |                               |
| Campbell, Wayne <b>PHF SM</b>  | Accounting/Auditing             | McNabb, Julia                   | Robinson, William <b>PHF SM</b> | Investment Broker   |                               |
| Hospital Administration        | Henley, Mitzi <b>SM</b>         | Disability Advocacy             | Fund Raising                    | Williamson, Kenneth <b>PHF * SM</b>   |                               |
| Chalker, Gerry <b>PHF SM*</b>  | Retail Shopping                 | Meyer, Joseph                   | Rollins, Joe <b>SM</b>          | <i>Retired</i>  |                               |
| Ret. Planning Admin.           | Hipsh, Larry <b>SM</b>          | Computers-retail                | Ret. Plan Administration        | Woo, Jean <b>PHF SM</b>   |                               |
| Clark, Jason <b>SM</b>         | Attorney                        | Miceli, Gail <b>PHF</b>         | Shaw, Susan <b>SM</b>           | Dentist   |                               |
| Insurance                      | Hipsh, Whitney <b>SM</b>        | Banking                         | Fund Raising                    | Yeiser, Jack <b>PHF SM</b>  |                               |
| Conner, Tom <b>SM PHF</b>      | Real Estate Attorney            | Miceli, Philippe <b>PHF *SM</b> | Shelley, Eulice <b>PHF *</b>    | Mortgage Broker   |                               |
| News Media                     | Hooton, Jeff <b>SM</b>          | Private Banking Exec            | Moving & Storage                |  Members in green font have missed three or more meetings. Please give them a call and encourage |                               |
| Corbin, Andy <b>PHF**X SM</b>  | Commercial Lending              | Miller, David O. <b>PHF</b>     | Simpson, Natalie <b>SM</b>      | York, Jerry <b>SM</b>   |                               |
| Electronics Mfg                | Howard, William <b>PHF</b>      | Developmental Dsablty.          | Legislative                     | Auto  |                               |
| Curry, Jim <b>SM**</b>         | Real Estate - General           | Morgan, John <b>PHF *SM</b>     | Smith, Pete <b>PHF * SM</b>     |  Members in purple font have perfect attendance.   |                               |
| Government Management          | Hutson, Karen T. <b>PHF SM</b>  | Computer Engineer               | Appraiser                       | Sales   |                               |
| Davis, Charles <b>PHF SM</b>   | Retail Cars                     | Morgan, Mathew                  | Smith, Scott <b>SM</b>          |   |                               |
| Restaurant Owner               | Johnson, Chris <b>PHF* SM</b>   | Test Engineer                   | Chiropractor                    |  Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.   |                               |
| Davis, James <b>PHF *SM</b>    | <i>Retired</i>                  | Nelson, Dan <b>PHF</b>          | Spurling, Dyan <b>SM</b>        |   |                               |
| Public Utilities               | Johnson, Johnny <b>PHF X**</b>  | Restaurant - Fast Food          | Banking Services                |   |                               |
| Dorris, George <b>PHF SM</b>   | Banking                         | Nicholson, Michele <b>SM</b>    | Stearns, Allan <b>PHF SM</b>    |   |                               |
| Dentistry                      | Kernen, Deborah <b>PHF</b>      | Communications                  | Travel Agent                    |   |                               |
|                                | Communications                  | Peadro, Roger <b>PHF SM</b>     | Stevens, Rick <b>PHF X SM</b>   |   |                               |
|                                |                                 | Pastor                          | Surge Suppression System        |   |                               |

**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, 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

PHF: Paul Harris Fellows

SM: PH Sustaining Members

\* FWB Club Past Presidents

\*\* Past President Other Clubs

X FWB Rotarian of the Year